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PRODUCT CATEGORY	PRODUCT	DATE	REF.	PROD. TYPE	NOTIF. TYPE	NOTIF. BASIS	NOTIFYING COUNTRY	ORIGIN	ISSUE	DETAILED PRODUCT	DISTRIBUTION	ACTION TAKEN	DISTRIBUTION STATUS
Edible nuts	hazelnuts	16.05.2012	2012.0665	food	information for follow-up	consumer complaint	DENMARK	GERMANY	infested with moulds	hazelnut kernels	DENMARK	recall from consumers	information on distribution not (yet) available
Fishery products	amberjack	16.05.2012	2012.BBP	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	ITALY	GHANA	altered organoleptic characteristics	chilled amberjack (Seriola spp)		re-dispatch	no distribution
Fishery products	anchovy	14.05.2012	2012.0653	food	information for attention	official control on the market	UNITED KINGDOM	VIET NAM	histamine (276-294 mg/kg - ppm)	anchovy fish sauce	UNITED KINGDOM	recall from consumers	distribution restricted to notifying country
Fishery products	clams	14.05.2012	2012.0654	food	alert	official control on the market	ITALY	GREECE	Escherichia coli (790 MPN/100g)	clams (Venus verrucosa)	ITALY		information on distribution not (yet) available
Fishery products	marlin	14.05.2012	2012.BBC	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	FRANCE	PERU	cadmium (0,101 mg/kg - ppm) and mercury (1,085 mg/kg - ppm)	frozen marlin skewers		withdrawal from the market	no distribution
Fishery products	shark	14.05.2012	2012.0655	food	information for attention	official control on the market	ITALY	SPAIN	mercury (2.6 mg/kg - ppm)	chilled mako shark (Isurus oxyrinchus)	ITALY	no action taken	no stock left
Fishery products	tuna	16.05.2012	2012.0668	food	alert	food poisoning	BELGIUM	INDONESIA	histamine (5300 mg/kg - ppm)	frozen tuna steaks	BELGIUM	recall from consumers	information on distribution not (yet) available
Processed vegetables	corns	15.05.2012	2012.BBG	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	POLAND	UKRAINE	zearalenone (0,13 mg/kg - ppm)	frozen sweet corns		re-dispatch	no distribution
Processed vegetables	pickled turnips	16.05.2012	2012.BBM	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	CYPRUS	LEBANON	unauthorised use of colour E 127 - erythrosine	pickled turnips		official detention	no distribution
Seeds	fennel seeds	15.05.2012	2012.BBH	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	UNITED KINGDOM	INDIA	too high content of colour E 124 - Ponceau 4R / cochineal red A (153 mg/kg - ppm)	sugar coated fennel seeds		official detention	no distribution
Seeds	rape seeds	15.05.2012	2012.BBI	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	POLAND	UKRAINE	infested with mites	rape seeds		re-dispatch	no distribution
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Spices	ginger	15.05.2012	2012.0659	food	information for attention	company's own check	SWEDEN	CHINA	Salmonella (10 out of 12 samples /25g)	ground ginger	SWEDEN	withdrawal from the market	distribution restricted to notifying country
Spices	spicy mix	14.05.2012	2012.0656	food	information for follow-up	official control on the market	FINLAND	PHILIPPINES	unlabelled irradiation (glow ratio 1,5) and irradiation in an unauthorised facility	spicy mix	NETHERLANDS	official detention	information on distribution not (yet) available

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This information comes itself from the official contact points in the EU Member States & EEA – EFTA Member States.

Information on the actions taken and the distribution status for the notified products may be found on this website by filling in the reference number of the product of interest.

All EU RASFF notifications since 1979 are available on this DG SANCO portal database.

The different types of notifications are the following:

- **Alert notifications** are sent when a food presenting a serious risk is on the market and when immediate action is required. Alerts are triggered by the Member State that detects the problem and has initiated the relevant measures, such as withdrawal/recall.
- **Information notifications** concern a food or feed that was placed on the market for which a risk has been identified, but for which the other members of the network do not have to take immediate action, because the product has not reached their market or is no longer present on their market or because the nature of the risk does not require any immediate action.
- **Border rejection notifications** concern food and feed consignments that have been tested and rejected at the external borders of the EU (and the European Economic Area) when a health risk was found. The notifications are transmitted to all European Economic Area border posts in order to reinforce controls and to ensure that the rejected product does not re-enter the Community through another border post.

The "action taken" field represents the action already taken or to be taken by the notifying country at the time of notification. If "no action taken" is given for an alert notification, this normally indicates that the product is not on the market of the notifying country (therefore: no action taken by the notifying country) but it may be on the market of other member countries.

The "distribution status" field indicates knowledge existing at the time of notification about the possible distribution of the product on the market. The concept "market" is to be interpreted in a geographical way: "the internal Community market" i.e. this does not necessarily mean that the product is already on the shelves available to consumers, as often it is not.

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