

EU Alert report

1. Alert origin & status

Reference	EULA-1/2021
Status	CONFIRMED
Version	1
Alerting Country:	France
Competent Authority:	INAO

2. Alerted Countries

Country	Competent Authority	Coordinator?	Scope
Austria	KÄRNTEN	No	National
Austria	BMSGPK	No	National
Austria	BURGENLAND	No	Regional
Austria	Niederösterreich	No	Regional
Austria	KÄRNTEN	No	Regional
Austria	Oberösterreich	No	Regional
Austria	SALZBURG	No	Regional
Austria	STEIERMARK	No	Regional
Austria	TIROL	No	Regional
Austria	VORARLBERG	No	Regional
Austria	WIEN	No	Regional

3. Irregularity, infringement, fraud, other issue and suspicion thereof (hereinafter "irregularity")

Title:	Fake certificate
Description:	French operator apparently named LEGUMES DE L'ORMEAU, BOTTEREAU Arnold is not certified in organic farming in France and is using a falsified certificate (attached) with the reference code of other French operator, certified by CERTIPAQ BIO (French CB, FR-BIO-09). CERTIPAQ BIO confirmed that there is no operator with this name certified by them and they have not issued this certificate (different typology used).
Seriousness assessment:	Serious suspicion since an operator has falsified a certificate using the code and the certificate type of a French CB. We do not know if this operator has sold products with reference to organic farming to other operators in France or other EU member states.
Actors already informed:	DGCCRF (French competent authority in charge of frauds), French certification bodies
Detection Context	
Date:	06/01/2021
Place:	
Person/body detecting the irregularity:	CERTIPAQ BIO
EU legislation at stake (reference(s)):	

4. Product traceability**Description**

Name:

Brand / trade name:

Other aspects:

Consignment

Consignment / lot / delivery number:

Country of origin:

Total net / gross weight, volume:

Other information:

Supply chain

Operator	Type	Contact Details	Control body/authority (with contact details)
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5. Measure, sanctions, market effect**No action yet**

Reason: French competent authority in charge of frauds has been informed in order to conduct an investigation

6. Other information

7. Files

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