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PRESS RELEASE

Detection of horse DNA in “KAVOURMA” meat product

Based on the latest laboratory results under way, Hellenic Food Authority (EFET) informs consumers that one (1) more sample has been found positive for horse DNA following corresponding controls conducted by EFET's Regional Directorate of Attiki.

More specifically, this finding is related with the meat product named “KAVOURMAS” (in Greek: «ΚΑΒΟΥΡΜΑΣ») with the trade name “ANANIADIS Traditional Meat Products” (in Greek: «Παραδοσιακά Αλλαντικά ΑΝΑΝΙΑΔΗ»), which is produced and packaged for “ANANIADIS AVEE” company based in the city of Kavala by “ARISTI ALLANTIKA AVEE” company (in Greek: «ΑΡΙΣΤΗ ΑΛΛΑΝΤΙΚΑ ΑΒΕΕ») based at Egaleo of Attiki.

The above mentioned product has not been on the market and the entire quantity has been detained in the storage facilities of “ANANIADIS AVEE” in the city of Kavala following immediate actions by EFET's Regional Directorate of East Macedonia and Thrace.

EFET informs consumers in Greece that as far as laboratory controls in the whole range of the food chain are concerned, one hundred and fifteen (115) samples from various types of products have been taken. Out of the thirty nine (39) samples analyzed until now there have been five (5) positive results.

It is reminded that EFET and the General Veterinary Directorate of Ministry of Rural Development and Food in collaboration with the Directorates of Rural Economy and Veterinary of the Prefecture Units in the whole country continue to conduct controls regarding the presence of horse DNA in various foods. In the case of more positive results, immediate measures will be implemented and further updates will follow.