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PRESS RELEASE

Recall of "KEBAB, ARMENIAN TYPE" & "BEEF SALAMI DESTAN" due to presence of horse meat

Hellenic Food Authority (EFET) following actions that have been undertaken in collaboration with the General Veterinary Directorate of the Ministry of Rural Development and Food and according to latest results of laboratory tests that have been planned informs consumers that two (2) additional samples were found positive in relation to horse DNA detection. These findings were the results of the relevant controls performed by the Prefectural Directorate of EFET in East Macedonia and Thrace.

More specifically, the recall refers to the following products (photos of the implicated products are given below):

- 1) Frozen "**KEBAB, ARMENIAN TYPE**", with trade name "**AR-KAS/AP-KΑΣ**", in package of 1kg, producer-packager «**MPATANIAN S.A., Industrial Zone of Koropi**», which is distributed by the Super Market "METRO AVEE, sub-branch in Kavala".
- 2) **BEEF SALAMI**, with trade name "**Destan**", in package of 500g, produced by the Dutch company "**DEMKA GmbH**", approval number **NL 77 EG**, and distributed by the grocery shop "Giakoup Giakoup, Filira Sappou, Rhodes".

EFET requested the immediate recall/withdrawal of the above products, in their total, from the internal market. Relevant controls are in progress.

EFET informs greek consumers that regarding laboratories controls, and up to present, eighty four (84) samples have been taken covering the whole range of food chain. Of the 84 samples and by so far, the laboratory analysis has been completed for the thirty three (33) samples, revealing four (4) positive samples.

It is stressed out that EFET and the General Veterinary Directorate of the 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 DNA horse in several foods. In case of additional positive results, the relative foreseen measures are going to be implemented and further updated information is going to follow.

