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PRESS RELEASE

Recall of non-compliant, adulterated and non-safe products

1) Hellenic Food Authority (EFET) and more specifically its Regional Directorate of Central Macedonia in collaboration with the B' (2^{nd}) Chemical Service of Thessaloniki of the General Chemical State Laboratory while investigating a complaint, have found the distribution of a product labeled "EXTRA VIRGIN OLIVE OIL" (in Greek: "EΞΤΡΑ ΠΑΡΘΕΝΟ ΕΛΑΙΟΛΑΔΟ"), whereas after analysis it was found to be <u>ADULTERATED</u> WITH SOYBEAN OIL ARTIFICIALLY COLOURED.

The product is sold with the brand name "PARNONAS" (in Greek: " $\Pi APN\Omega NA\Sigma$ "), in 5 L (liter) packages and best before date 31-12-2015, bearing the additional indications: "PACKAGING BY PERGAMINELIS GEORGIOS - 84 FARON STREET KALAMATA" (in Greek: " $\Sigma Y \Sigma K E Y A \Sigma I A \Pi E P \Gamma A M H N E A H \Sigma \Gamma E \Omega P \Gamma I O \Sigma - \Phi A P \Omega N 84 - KAAAMATA").$

EFET has requested the immediate recall/ withdrawal of the total of the particular batch of the above **ADULTERATED – NON SAFE** product from the internal market and relevant controls are already under way.

Consumers who have in their possession the aforementioned product (photo given below) are asked not to consume it.



2) In addition, EFET and more specifically its Regional Directorate of Central Macedonia in collaboration with the B' (2nd) Chemical Service of Thessaloniki have found the distribution of a product labeled "OLIVE OIL EXTRA VIRGIN" (in Greek: "ΕΛΑΙΟΛΑΔΟ ΕΞΤΡΑ ΠΑΡΘΕΝΟ"), whereas after analysis it was found to be <u>ADULTERATED WITH SUNFLOWER OIL ARTIFICIALLY COLOURED</u>.

The product is sold with the brand name "ELIAGROS" (in Greek: "**E** Λ IA**F**PO**E**"), in 5 L (liter) packages and best before date 31-12-2015, bearing the additional indications: "ELAIA P.G. EPE - GALATISTA OF CHALKIDIKI" (in Greek: "E Λ AIA Π.Γ. ΕΠΕ - ΓΑΛΑΤΙΣΤΑ ΧΑΛΚΙΔΙΚΗΣ").

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