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Dear Maddison

Thank you for the opportunity to correct factual information. After reading the transcript of the 31 August 2018 hearing about the Danish scheme of compensation for losses due to the presence of GM-material in conventional and organic crops, it seems that one of the questions and our answer to it seems to be a little unclear. It is the answer to the question about standards for organic food. To avoid any misunderstanding, we would therefore like to add an explanation.

Question: "Okay, so organic seeds and cereals are zero per cent. Do you have an import standard for organic foods? If Australia, for example, was to export our canola seeds to Denmark, do you accept a 0.9 per cent potential adventitious contamination or does it have to be zero per cent?"

Answer: Yes, we have import standards for organic food.

For import of organic canola for food/feed use, we accept no higher than 0.9 percent content of a GM canola but only if the GM canola have been approved for food/feed use in EU (and Denmark) and if the presence is adventitious or technically unavoidable. In all other cases the tolerance is zero percent. You can find a list of all the authorized GMO's in EU here: [http://ec.europa.eu/food/dyna/gm\\_register/index\\_en.cfm](http://ec.europa.eu/food/dyna/gm_register/index_en.cfm)

For import of organic canola seed for cultivation, we accept no higher than 0.1 percent of a GM canola but only if the GM canola have been approved for cultivation in Denmark and if the presence is adventitious or technically unavoidable. In all other cases the tolerance is zero percent. At the moment no GM canola have been approved for cultivation in EU or Denmark.

Best regards

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