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Cabinet of Commissioner Věra Jourová,
Commissioner for Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality



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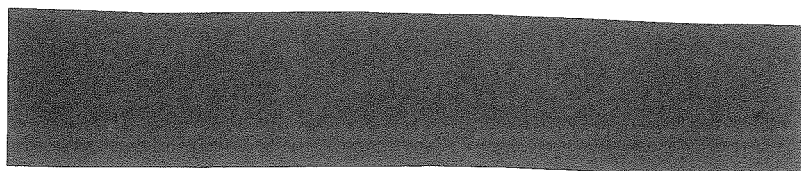
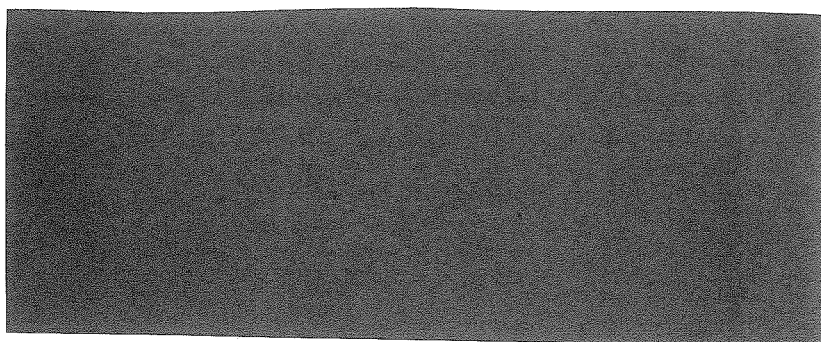
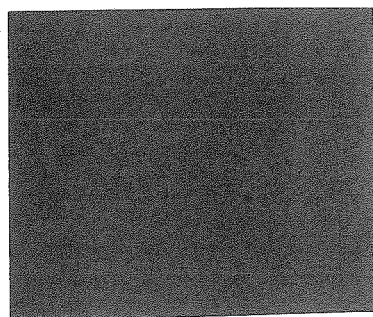
Brussels,



Your Excellency,

I would be grateful if you ensure the delivery of the attached letter from Commissioners Věra Jourová, Elżbieta Bieńkowska and Vytenis Andriukaitis to the member of your government participating at the meeting of Agriculture and Fisheries Council on 6 March 2017.

Yours faithfully,



Elżbieta Bienkowska

Commissioner for Internal Market, Industry,
Entrepreneurship and SMEs

Věra Jourová

Commissioner for Justice,
Consumers and Gender Equality

Vytėnis Andriukaitis

Commissioner for Health and Food
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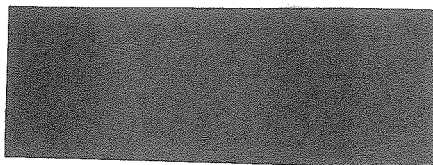
Dear Minister,

In a letter of 4 April 2017, we informed you that we had invited national authorities in charge of consumer protection to provide information, data and concrete evidence regarding the issue of dual quality of foodstuffs.

The Commission has received 21 replies to this request. Tests performed in the Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia and Croatia point to composition differences in a number of products sold under the same brand and similar packaging in different Member States; further tests are ongoing or will be carried out in Bulgaria, Slovenia and Romania. In the remaining 14 Member States that replied there are no complaints and/or evidence related to this issue.

Our services will carry out a detailed mapping of the information and try to identify clear patterns of differentiation. This assessment will be presented to the next Sherpa meeting of the High Level Forum for a better functioning of the food supply chain, on 20 June, in line with the conclusions of the European Council of 9 March 2017. The meeting will provide for the opportunity to exchange views with representatives of Member States' authorities, of the food supply chain (including industry) and consumer organisations.

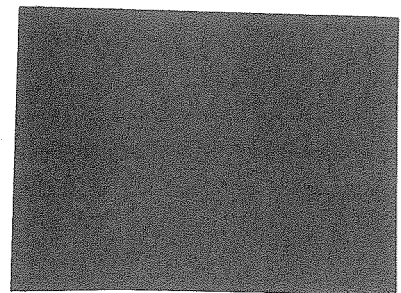
Yours faithfully,



Elżbieta Bienkowska



Věra Jourová



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