

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Directorate B. Quality, Research & Innovation, Outreach The Director

Brussels, MP/nb(2019)6076326

| Dear | | |
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Thank you for your e-mail of 21 June 2019 (Int. Ref. Ares(2019)4006331) in which you request our advice on the validity of the EU organic certification in case the products certified as organic for the EU are "repacked" in Russia before being placed on the market.

We would like to raise your attention that the EU organic legislation requires that operators at all stages of production, preparation and distribution are assessed and certified by a recognised control system. In addition, the EU organic legislation sets specific requirements on the use of the EU organic logo (EU leaf) in pre-packaged food.

If you intend to package organic products using the EU organic logo in compliance with the EU organic legislation, you are invited to submit your activity to a control body recognised by the EU who should be able to assess and certify the packaging process. A list of recognised Control Bodies can be find in the following link:

https://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/ofis_public/rCBE/ctrl_rcbe.cfm?targetUrl=home&lang=en_n

Yours sincerely,

