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Dual quality of fish fingers

Dear Commissioner Jourova,

with great interest we read your latest news and statements regarding the topic „dual qualities of fish fingers“ in Eastern European countries.

The Bundesverband der deutschen Fischindustrie und des Fischgrosshandels is the professional association of the fish processing industry in Germany. Some members of the Bundesverband are producers of fish fingers that are amongst others also merchandised in the Visegrad Group countries.

We support your intention to put fishery products on the market only if they are produced and labeled in compliance with EU food legislation. In order to ensure a transparent and constructive dialogue we would like to ask you to forward the following documents to us:

1. National authority inspection reports of the samplings from all to date inspected fish fingers with the names of the producers and an image of the packaging.
2. Publication of the number of samples and inspection methods of each authority.

Upon review of the reports, we will be glad to place our services at your disposal for a constructive dialogue between food producers and authorities and to compare inspection methods. This is of utmost importance to ensure a fair competition in the European Union.

We thank you for your support.

With best regards

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