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NORWEGIAN FOOD SAFETY AUTHORITY

STATEMENT CONCERNING NITROFURANS, CHLORAMFENICOL AND BETA-AGONISTS

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One of the tasks of the Norwegian Food Safety Authority is to guarantee the wholesomeness and good quality of fish and fishery products exported from Norway.

The Norwegian legislation concerning drug administration to food producing animals is in accordance with the legislation in the EU. The regulation (EEC) No. 2377/90 states that only approved substances may be administered to food producing animals. Nitrofurans, chloramphenical and beta-agonists are not approved substances, and their use on food producing animals is therefore prohibited.

Since 1998, farmed fish have been tested annually through a surveillance program established in accordance with Directive 96/23/EC. Sampling frequency is 1 sample per 100 tons farmed fish.

Nitrofurans and chloramphenicol are among the substances included in the surveillance, and to date residues of these substances have not been found. Beta-agonists are not applicable to aquaculture, and these substances are therefore not required to be included in the surveillance programme.

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