

SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 017-2004- *Vikings Delight Caviar*
(Final Disposition Instructions for ALFOODACT 014-2004)
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1. REFERENCE:

a. DLAR 4155.26/AR 40-660/NAVSUPINST 10110.8c/AFI 48-116/MCO 10110.38c, DOD Hazardous Food & Nonprescription Drug Recall System.

b. Allied Communications Publication 121, US SUPP-1 (f).

c. ALFOODACT 014-2004- *Vikings Delight Caviar*, issued on November 24, 2004.

2. BACKGROUND:

The purpose of this recall is to provide final disposition instructions for ALFOODACT 014-2004, issued on November 24, 2004. The Veterinary Laboratory Europe (VLE) analyzed the caviar, and found nothing to indicate that product is microbiologically unsafe. However, according to the laboratory report, the green, slimy-appearing, filamentous structures (observed in recalled product) are most likely the result of broken roe. The report further states that increased amounts of broken roe may be related to roe quality, packaging issues, and/or temperature abuse. In summary, the product defects appear to be quality issues, rather than food safety issues. Refer to paragraph (7) of this message for disposition instructions.

3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES:

The following information is pertinent to the recalled product:

Item Description: Viking's Delight Caviar (Product Of Iceland)
100-gram/3.5 ounce Jar

Lot Numbers: All product codes-any product matching the item description should be placed on "Medical Hold."

The jar is labeled with the following information:

"Packed exclusively for
RAMFJELD & CO. INC.
New York, NY. 11232 USA

4. DISTRIBUTION: Found in DeCA Stores- Germany; product may be in other locations as well.

5. QUANTITY: Unknown

6. REASON FOR RECALL: The product may pose a potential food safety risk.

7. DISPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS FOR MESSAGE RECIPIENTS:

(1) Accountable activities must perform a visual inspection of the stocks currently on "Medical Hold" to identify product abnormalities. Products that exhibit the stated defects (distended lids and green, slimy-appearing fluid) should be discarded in accordance with local policies. *Normal-appearing products should immediately be returned to inventory/store shelves.*

(2) **Ships at sea** are authorized to destroy or dispose of recalled products at their discretion. Documentation for the number of pounds and cases, and any additional pertinent information must be signed by the Accountable Officer and is required for the purpose of recouping to the government the cost of the product involved. Information shall be forwarded by priority message to this center.

8. The Point Of Contact for this message is [CW3 Melinda Strother](#), Consumer Safety Officer, at DSCP-HS. VOICE, DSN: 444-7746/8461, Commercial (215) 737-7746/8461, or by FAX, DSN: 444-7526, or Commercial, (215) 737-7526.

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