

Inspection & Certification Report

Organic production methods

Scope of this report:

X	Regulation (EEC) No. 834/2007 and 889/2008
X	National Organic Program (NOP)
X	Japanese Agricultural Standards (JAS)

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Number and percentage of farmers inspected (per SFG)	Production Unit	Total Number of farmers	Risk	Number of farmers inspected
	Atiak	2194.00	High	7
	Pabbo	3732.00	High	21
	Alero	1726.00	High	14
	Anaka	6700.00	High	28
	Bobo	88.00	High	7
	Lakwana	270.00	High	-
	Lalogi	522.00	High	7
	MIene	79.00	High	-
	Minakulu	357.00	High	8
	Odek	400	High	2
	Gotapwoyo	1	High	-
	Adjumani	1539.00	High	4
	Arua	4732.00	High	31
	Koboko	161.00	High	-
	Moyo	1529.00	High	49
	Pakwach	956.00	High	4
Yumbe	1476.00	High	15	
Palabek/Lamwo	2,024.00	High	42	
Total	28,486		239	
Date(s) of previous inspection	15/01/18-09/02/18			

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1. Methodology

Control Union Certifications (CU), a member of the Control Union World Group is an international inspection and certification body and is accredited by the Dutch Council for Accreditation on the European quality standard EN 45011 for the inspection and certification of CU Organic program according to the EU regulation 834/2007 and 889/2008.

Control Union Certifications has also been accredited under the USDA National Organic Program (NOP) by the United States Department of Agriculture and by the Japanese Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF). Control Union Certifications is allowed to performs inspection and certification among others in the fields of organic production (NOP, EU, JAS), input, textile production, Organic Exchange, Globalgap, FSC, PEFC, HACCP, BRC, GMP, GTP and ISO 9001. (a copy of the accreditation certificates can be obtained from the CU website (www.controlunion.com/certification)).

Inspection and certification is carried out in conformity with the procedures as laid down in the procedure manual and in the program manual for the inspector and certifier. During the inspection the qualified CU inspectors use standardised inspection forms to record their findings. These inspection forms are a substantial part of this inspection & certification report.

Based on this inspection report, specification forms and if applicable, the results of the analyses, the certifier reviews and evaluates all information provided and certify the products when all conditions of the regulations are fulfilled. The result of the evaluation is documented in Chapter 7. Inspection work by the inspector and certification by the certifier are clearly separated activities.

2. Report and inspection forms

This inspection and certification report is made in accordance with the CU program and procedure manual and Council Regulation (EEC) No 834/2007 and 889/2008, with the National Organic Program of the United States Department of Agriculture and with the Japanese Agricultural Standards (JAS).

2.1 Products

For each certified product a product description is given on the product specification form. In this form the ingredients and used processing aids are indicated. The compliance of the product with the applicable standards is assessed.

During the inspection the CU inspector assesses whether a permanent system to ensure the non-utilization of GMO and GMO-derivatives is in place on all stages of the production chain.

2.2 Processing units

For each processing unit a process description is given on the process specification form. The compliance of the process with the applicable standards is assessed with the assessment form.

2.3 Agricultural units (individual farmers)

For each agricultural unit a description of the production system is given on the Organic System Plan (there is one for plant production and one for animal production). Information on the cropping plan is given on the field specification form. Information on the latest use of disallowed substances (such as artificial fertilisers and pesticides) is recorded on the field history form, only used during the first inspection.

The compliance of the agricultural unit with the applicable standards is assessed with the assessment form (there is one for plant production and one for animal production).

2.4 Agricultural units (farmer groups)

Agricultural units consisting of a group of farmers and an Internal Control System are referred to as farmer groups. In the OSP for small holder farmer group a description of the internal control system is given. The compliance of the farmer group with the applicable standards is assessed with the assessment form.

Internal Control System (ICS)

The CU inspector checks the farmer group by cross-checking the findings of the ICS with his own findings and thus performs a kind of "system" audit.

The CU inspector uses the results of the ICS when inspecting farmers and fields.

Farmer group

During the inspection Control Union Certifications has evaluated the Internal Control System and found the following (unless otherwise mentioned in Chapter 5.3 (outstanding non-conformities)):

Farmer agreements covering compliance with organic standards and ICS are available.

The ICS has a written quality system, which define the procedures, responsibilities in the management of the grower group and actions to be taken in instances of non-compliance with standards (sanctions).

All the farms and fields of the members are inspected at least once a year by the field officer. The field officers employed by the ICS-organisation are trained, qualified and independent.

Maps indicating individual fields per member, preparation and storage facilities are available.

Consequently the functionality and effectiveness of the ICS can be confirmed.

3. Scope of inspection

4. General description of the project

5. Findings

5.1 Compliance evaluation

During the inspection and certification process Control Union Certifications has evaluated the project and found it in conformity with the applicable regulations and all its amending changes and, when applicable CU standards (unless otherwise mentioned in Chapter 5.3 (outstanding non-conformities)).

5.2 Settled non-conformities

Below an overview is given of the implementation of non-conformities given during the last inspection (see also latest report).

Minor

Aspect	<i>GMO declaration of the sesame seeds and seed cotton used by the farmers was not submitted.</i>	
Unit(s)	<i>PRD 027321, PRD 039895, PRD 087024, PRD 027321, PRD 039895, PRD 087024, PRD 087025, PRD 027317, PRD 027318, PRD 027320, PRD 087250, PRD 087249, PRD 087247, PRD 087246, PRD 087251, PRD 087255, PRD 087245, PRD 087240, PRD 087243, PRD 087026, PRD 087025, PRD 027317, PRD 027318, PRD 027320, PRD 087250, PRD 087249, PRD 087247, PRD 087246, PRD 087251, PRD 087255, PRD 087245, PRD 087240, PRD 087243, PRD 087026, PRC 88181, PRC 87992, PRC 24849 and PRC 23362</i>	
Standard	USDA NOP, Organic EU and JAS	
Non-conformity	<i>Minor</i>	
Date condition given	<i>29/01/2019</i>	
Date of re-assessment	<i>27.03.2019</i>	

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Aspect	<i>GMO declaration of the sesame seeds and seed cotton used by the farmers was not submitted.</i>
Description of implementation	<i>The operator should submit GMO free declaration letter from responsible authorities.</i>

Major

Aspect	<i>Land declaration letter and list of new farmers stamped from the responsible government authority in the respective production units was not presented during the time of the audit</i>	
Unit(s)	<i>PRD 027321, PRD 039895, PRD 087024, PRD 027321, PRD 039895, PRD 087024, PRD 087025, PRD 027317, PRD 027318, PRD 027320, PRD 087250, PRD 087249, PRD 087247, PRD 087246, PRD 087251, PRD 087255, PRD 087245, PRD 087240, PRD 087243, PRD 087026 PRD 087025, PRD 027317, PRD 027318, PRD 027320, PRD 087250, PRD 087249, PRD 087247, PRD 087246, PRD 087251, PRD 087255, PRD 087245, PRD 087240, PRD 087243, PRD 087026</i>	
Standard	USDA NOP, Organic EU and JAS	
Non-conformity	Major	
Date pre-condition given	29/01/2019	
Date of re-assessment	28/02/2019	
Description of implementation	<i>The operator should submit Land declaration letter from responsible authorities.</i>	

5.3 Outstanding non-conformities- N/A (All non-conformities were closed)

Below an overview is given of new or revised non-conformities recorded during the inspection.

Minor

Aspect	
Unit(s)	
Standard	
Non-conformity	
Date condition given	
Date of dead line	

Major

Aspect	
Unit(s)	
Standard	
Non-conformity	
Date pre-condition given	
Date of dead line	

In case of open non-conformities Control Union Certifications will not make a positive certification decision for the concerned units/products.

5.4 Sampling

The CU inspector will collect a sample for routine control or if there is reason to believe that the agricultural input or product come into contact with a prohibited substance. The samples will be chemically analysed for residues of prohibited substances, for example pesticides, herbicides and fungicides. The operator will be informed about the results of the residue analysis of the samples.

During this inspection the following samples were taken:

Unit no.	Product	Seal numbers
PRC 88181	Sesame Seeds	0026295
PRC 87992	Sesame Seeds	0026237
PRC 88181	Sesame seeds	0026883
PRC 23362	Cotton Lint	0026243
PRC 87992	Cotton Lint	0026246

Sampling audit was done for Cotton Lint (PRC 23362, PRC 87992) and Sesame seeds (PRC 87992) and the results were clean.

6. Yield estimate

Below the total yield estimate for agricultural units is given for the current growing season.

Growing season:

Raw product	Status	Ton	Processed product(s)	Loss %
Seed Cotton	100% organic	10336	Cotton Lint bales	3
Sesame seeds	100% organic	8510	Sesame seeds	2

7. Certification

7.1 Certification decision

Based on the review and evaluation of the inspection results Control Union Certifications hereby confirms the certified status of product(s) and related agricultural and processing unit(s) listed on the presently valid scope certificate.

7.2 Additions and/or changes of certification

In this paragraph it is indicated, which products, agricultural and processing units are changed or added to the scope certificate based on the last inspection and/or relevant documents. Products will only be added to the scope certificate when approved product specifications are available.

Processing unit:-

There was no change or addition of processing unit to the scope certificate no. C817224EU-02-19, C C817224NOP-01-19 and C817224JAS-02-19 based on the last inspection.

Unit no.	Name unit	Address	Process	Added/changed
PRC 024849	Gulu Agricultural Development Co.Ltd	PO Box 151, Kampala Rd, Gulu, Uganda	Export, Administration, Labelling, Packaging	Added
PRC 087992	Rhino Camp	PO Box 151, Kampala Rd, Gulu, Uganda	Cleaning, Labelling , Ginning, Packaging	Added
PRC 088181	Layibi Plot	PO Box 151, Kampala Rd, Gulu, Uganda	Cleaning, Labelling , Packaging	Added
PRC 023362	Coo Rom	PO Box 151, Kampala Rd, Gulu, Uganda	Ginning, Packaging	Added

Agricultural units: Production Units certified under Organic EU as per scope certificate no. C817224EU-02-19 based on the last inspection.

Unit no.	Name unit	Organic		In conversion		Type of production and products	Added/changed
		Ha	Farmer	Ha	Farmer		
PRD 027317	Atiak	917.02	2194.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 027318	Pabbo	2029.5	3732.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 027321	Alero	671.78	1726.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 039895	Anaka	3062.66	6700.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087023	Bobo	76.49	88.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 087024	Lakwana	129.50	270.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087025	Lalogi	312.42	522.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 087026	MIene	45.32	79.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087027	Minakulu	199.51	357.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 087028	Odek	285.30	400	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087030	Gotapwoyo	1.21	1	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 087033	Adjumani	777.81	1539.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087240	Arua	3206.33	4732.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added

Unit no.	Name unit	Organic		In conversion		Type of production and products	Added/changed
		Ha	Farmer	Ha	Farmer		
PRD 087243	Koboko	42.09	161.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 087244	Moyo	1095.89	1529.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087245	Pakwach	295.83	956.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 087246	Yumbe	664.09	1476.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 039895	Palabek/Lamwo	1725.58	2,024.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added

Products:

Product No.	Name product	Product category	Single/Multi-ingredient	Processing unit no.	Added/changed
008409	Sesame seeds	Organic	Single	>>	
084057	Cotton	Organic	Single	>>	

Agricultural units:

Production Units certified under JAS and USDA NOP as per scope certificate no. C 817224NOP-01-19 and C817224JAS-02-19 based on the last inspection.

Unit no.	Name unit	Organic		In conversion		Type of production and products	Added/changed
		Ha	Farmer	Ha	Farmer		
PRD 027317	Atiak	221.77	440.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 027318	Pabbo	287.73	510.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 039895	Anaka	531.35	1,176.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087023	Bobo	76.49	88.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 087024	Lakwana	129.50	270.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087025	Lalogi	312.42	522.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 087026	MIene	45.32	79.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087027	Minakulu	199.51	357.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 087028	Odek	285.30	400	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087033	Adjumani	586.39	1144.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087240	Arua	2783.03	3877.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 087243	Koboko	36.	138.00	0	0	Semi Arid	Added

Unit no.	Name unit	Organic		In conversion		Type of production and products	Added/changed
		Ha	Farmer	Ha	Farmer		
		83				agriculture	
PRD 087244	Moyo	929.16	1266.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 087245	Pakwach	295.83	956.00	0	0	Semi Arid agriculture	Added
PRD 087246	Yumbe	374.74	782.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added
PRD 039895	Palabek/Lamwo	1725.58	2,024.00	0	0	Semi Arid Agriculture	Added

Products:

Product No.	Name product	Product category	Single/Multi-ingredient	Processing unit no.	Added/changed
008409	Sesame seeds	Organic	Single	>>	

7.3 Withdrawals of certification- N/A

In this paragraph it is indicated, which products, agricultural and processing units are withdrawn from the scope certificate based on the last inspection and/or other relevant documentation and/or available information.

Processing unit:

Unit no.	Name unit	Address	Process	Reason for withdrawal

Agricultural units:

Unit no.	Name unit	Organic		In conversion		Type of production and products	Reason for withdrawal
		Ha	Farmer	Ha	Farmer		

Products:

Product No.	Name product	Product category	Single/Multi-ingredient	Processing unit no.	Reason for withdrawal

Inspected and certified product(s) and related agricultural and processing unit(s) are listed on the presently valid scope certificate.