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**Subject: Regulation (EC) N° 258/97 concerning novel foods and novel food ingredients
Notification pursuant to Article 5 of the above mentioned Regulation
Noni juice (juice of the fruits of *Morinda citrifolia*)**

Pursuant to Article 5 of Regulation (EC) N° 258/97, the Commission has received a notification for the placing of the above-mentioned product on the Community market on 11 January 2005.

The details of this notification are the following:

Notifier: Mr Gerhard Stemmler
Herbex Ltd.
P.O.Box 516
17 Vesi Crescent Waiyavi
Lautoka
Fiji Islands.

The Food Standards Agency (UK) has delivered an opinion that the Noni juice to be placed on the market by Herbex Ltd. is substantially equivalent to the Noni juice authorised by Commission Decision 2003/426/EC with respect to composition, nutritional value, metabolism, intended use and the level of undesirable substances contained therein (Article 3.4 of Regulation (EC) N° 258/97)