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To whom it may concern,

Spinosad is an insecticide derived by a fermentation process of a naturally occurring bacterium (*Saccharopolyspora spinosa*).

Regulation (EU) 2018/848, applied since January 1st, 2022, lays down rules on organic production and labelling of organic products and repeals the Regulation previously in force (Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).

Spinosad has been included in Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2021/1165, authorising certain products and substances for use in organic production and establishing their lists. Annex I refers to “Active substances contained in plant protection products authorised for use in organic production as referred to in point (a) of Article 24(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/848”.

Plant protection products containing Spinosad can be used in organic food production in the European Union.

For reference, consolidated versions of these regulations may be found at:

<https://www.organicseurope.bio/what-we-do/eu-organic-regulation/>

IFOAM EU is the European umbrella organisation for organic food and farming.

Examples of products containing Spinosad in Bulgaria include **Syneis** (a 480 g/L Spinosad suspension concentrate), approval number: 01164.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alessandro Ciapessoni".

Alessandro Ciapessoni

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