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Notification of the presence of a harmful organism

1 General information	
1.1 Title	Finding of *Thekopsora minima* in Germany (Brandenburg)
1.2 Executive summary	*Thekopsora minima* has been found on *Vaccinium* plants in a garden center. The pants were intended for final consumers. The symptoms were detected during inspections for the national monitoring programm. Official phytosanitary measures have been taken. The infested lot will be destroyed and samples have been taken from a second lot in the same premises.
2 Information concerning the single authority and responsible persons.	
2.1 Notification from	Julius Kühn-Institut (JKI), Institute for National and International Plant Health, Germany
2.2 Official contact:	Katrin Kaminski, Tel: +49(0)531 299 3378, outbreaks@julius-kuehn.de
3 Location	
3.1 Location	In Brandenburg
4 Reason of the notification and the pest status	
4.1 First finding in Germany or in the area	Confirmed appearance of the harmful organism in part of the territory of Germany, in which its presence was previously unknown.

4.2 Pest status in Germany before the official confirmation of the presence, or suspected presence, of the harmful organism.	Transient, under eradication
4.3 Pest status in Germany after the official confirmation of the presence of the harmful organism.	Present, only in some parts of the Member State concerned
5 Finding, sampling, testing and confirmation of the harmful organism.	
5.1 How the presence or appearance of the harmful organism was found.	Pest related official survey: The inspection was done in the national monitoring programm. The plants showed symptoms and samples were taken.
5.2 Date of finding:	17-09-2019
5.3 Sampling for laboratory analysis.	Several leaves with symptoms were taken.
5.4 Name and address of the Laboratory	Landesamt für Ländliche Entwicklung, Landwirtschaft und Flurneuordnung (LELF) Ref. 43 Saatenanerkennung, Phytopatholopie Steinplatz 1 OT Wünsdorf – Brandenburg 15805 Zossen
5.5 Diagnostic method	Molecular methods including sequencing
5.6 Date of official confirmation of the harmful organism's identity.	30-09-2019
6 Infested area, and the severity and source of the outbreak in that area.	
6.1 Size and delimitation of the infested area.	4 plants
6.2 Characteristics of the infested area and its vicinity.	Open air – garden center
6.3 Host plants in the infested area and its vicinity	

6.4 Infested plant(s), plant product(s) and other object(s).	*Vaccinium* (plants for planting)
6.5 Vectors present in the area	n.a.
6.6 Severity of the outbreak.	
6.7 Source of the outbreak	The plants were delivered from another region in Germany. Trace-back investigations are ongoing.
7 Official phytosanitary measures.	
7.1 Adoption of official phytosanitary measures.	Official phytosanitary measures have been taken (no demarcated area): The 9 remaining plants have been packed securely and removed from the premises. The plants will be destroyed. 11 plants of the same lot were already sold. Trace-forward of these plants is not possible. 5 plants of a different variety in the premises have been sampled.
7.2 Date of adoption of the official phytosanitary measures.	30-09-2019
7.3 Identification of the area covered by the official phytosanitary measures.	
7.4 Objective of the official phytosanitary measures.	Eradication
7.5 Measures affecting the movement of goods.	Measure do not affect import into or movement within the Union of goods.
7.6 Specific surveys.	no
8 Pest risk analysis/assessment	Preliminary pest risk analysis exists (Express-PRA)