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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not specified

<u>Programme</u>: (1) Food Safety and Public Health

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

Please advise on the number of food complaints received in the past 3 years, the types and nature of these complaints, as well as their examination results and outcome.

Asked by: Hon HO Chun-yin, Steven (Member Question No. 45)

Reply:

The number of food complaints received by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department is provided in the following table –

Nature of complaints	2014	2015	2016
Unwholesome food	2 335	2 682	2 984
Foreign substances in food	964	1 265	1 461
Chemicals in food	301	405	318
Labelling issues	526	402	456
Fake/counterfeit food	50	29	18
Others	420	253	304
Total number of cases	4 596	5 036	5 541
Number of warnings issued	817	741	835
Number of prosecutions	315	145	171