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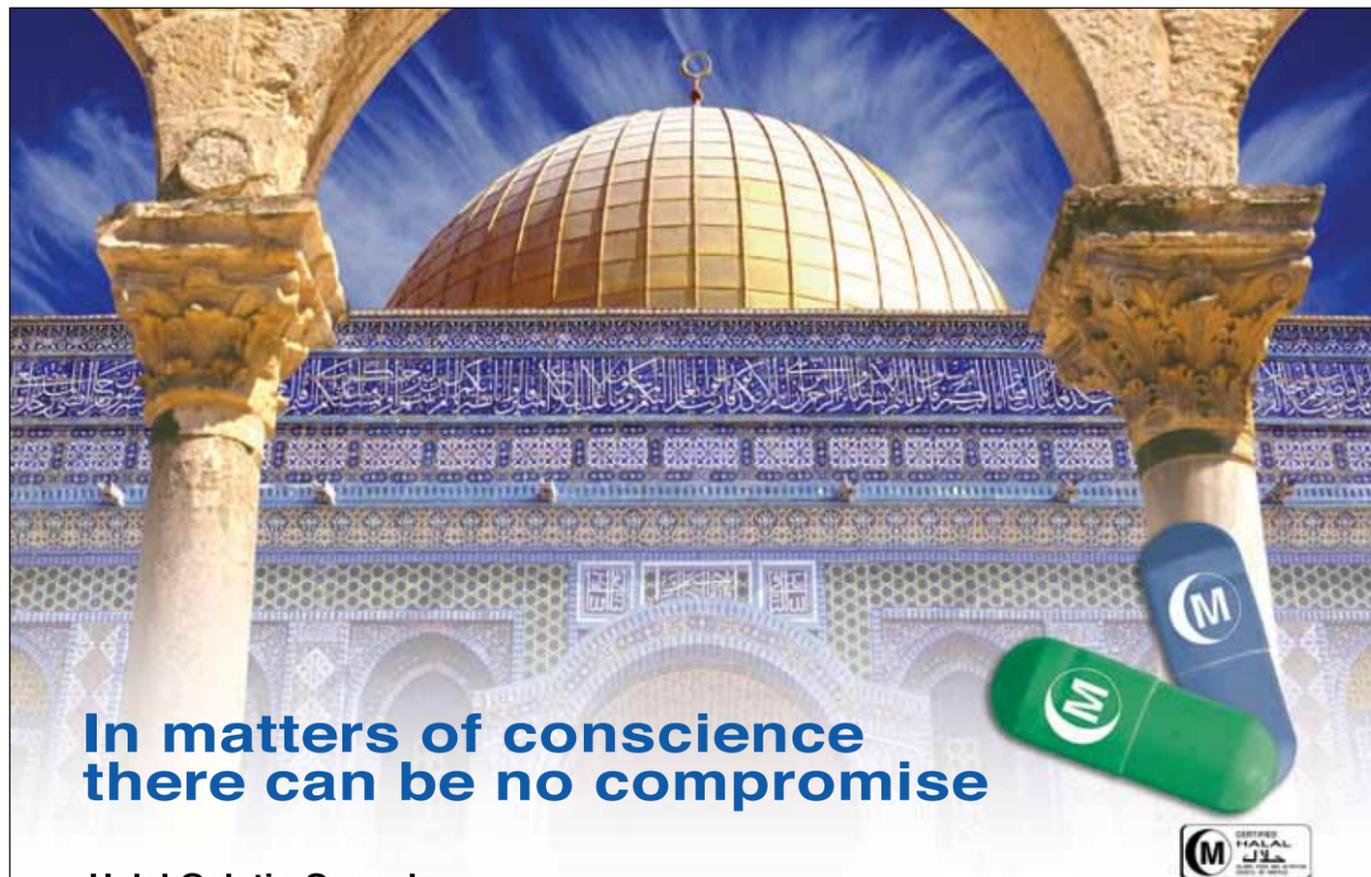
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As global trends indicate, halal certified products are increasingly being viewed as a symbol of purity and quality. Moreover, in its perception of wholesomeness, halal is rising to become a new trend. Consumers requesting "halal, organic" products could soon be the norm. In this issue we discuss what comprises organic and why it is worth your money. Talk of going organic brings to mind the myriad reasons to care for the environment. For Muslims, being environmentally conscious is a God-given responsibility. We take a closer look at both Quranic reasons and practical ways to be better vicegerents on God's earth. Besides food products, as conscientious, halal consumers who are concerned with purity, it is essential to ascertain what goes into our personal care items and cosmetics as well. That lotion or lipstick you just purchased - are they the safest? Are they halal? Finally, Halal Consumer magazine would not be complete without a mention of ingredients. We touch upon the origins and uses of an ancient ingredient - vanilla. Just a dash of it makes all the difference. Vinegar is a condiment referred to in Prophetic Traditions dating back to the Prophet David in his Psalms, as well as the sayings of the Prophet Muhammad (*Hadith*), peace and blessings be upon them. Let's examine what makes both these ingredients halal.

Hope you enjoy learning from this issue of Halal Consumer as much I have!

Wishing you a very blessed New Year!

Sincerely,

Naazish Yar Khan

Managing Editor

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From the Desk of Muhammad Munir Chaudry President, IFANCA

The word *halal*, sometimes written as *halaal* or *helal*, is increasingly becoming a part of daily usage as a growing number of companies have begun producing halal products. According to the Daily Mail, 9/24/2008, the global market is now estimated to be worth £300 billion a year (other estimates vary). The publication also reported that Nestlé, the world's largest food manufacturer, produces halal products in 75 of its 480 plants worldwide, to meet a growing demand for food products acceptable to Muslim and halal consumers. According to Forbes.com, that move earned Nestlé \$3 billion in annual sales in Muslim countries. Like other companies looking to expand their market share and meet the growing demand for halal products, Abbott Nutrition will have almost all its products halal certified during 2009.

All major food, pharmaceutical and personal care product manufacturers produce and market at least some of their products as halal certified and all of them do business with Muslim countries. These companies symbolize a growing movement, influenced by halal consumers, to provide halal certified products. In its natural progression the halal certification movement, which started with meat and poultry, then food products and food ingredients, has now expanded to nutritional products, cosmetics and other consumables. During 2008, IFANCA started receiving calls from major pharmaceutical companies to have vitamins and even vaccines halal certified. IFANCA clients such as Nutrilite, Sunrider, Aloe Corp., At Last Naturals, Toms of Maine, USANA Health Sciences, General Nutrition Corporation, Herbalife, Neways, Pharmanex, Melaleuca and many other manufacturers market a large number of halal certified nutritional and cosmetic products. Looking ahead to 2009, we are projecting that our work in halal certification will, insha'Allah, bring halal consumers worldwide even more products that proudly display halal logos on their packaging.

Have a happy, healthy, safe and prosperous New Year!

Sincerely,

Muhammad Munir Chaudry

President, IFANCA

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Halal & Organic Doubling Up On Health

By Mariam Majeed

"Organic farming involves abstaining from pesticides, synthetic hormones, antibiotics and chemical fertilizers that adversely affect the natural environment. Organic foods are not genetically engineered either."

Wandering down Devon Avenue in Chicago, we often see the word 'Zabiha' advertised at various grocery stores. For Muslims it is wonderful to be assured our food is *Zabiha*, but have we thought of taking it a step closer to something even better? Have we seen or asked for 'organic, *Zabiha* products'? Now that's food for thought!

According to Organic Trade Association (OTA), the fastest growing sectors in the \$600 billion dollars (U.S.) food industry are organic food and beverages. According to The Organic Trade Association's 2007 Manufacturer Survey, consumer sales for organic grew 27% in 2006. The growth of the organic sector is phenomenal but in civilizations of yore, organic was the only option. Could the chronic diseases we have these days, and our susceptibility to them, be related to the food we consume today?

So what does organic mean? According to the Organic Trade Association, organic refers to the way farm products are produced and processed. This can range from but is not limited to milk, eggs, produce, and meat to highly processed food products. Organic farming involves abstaining from pesticides, synthetic hormones, antibiotics and chemical fertilizers that adversely affect the natural environment. Organic foods are not genetically engineered either.

Why Join the Organic Movement?

Reduce the Toxic Load on the Environment- According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), 99.5% of farm acres are at risk of exposure to agricultural chemicals. According to Science magazine, August 2002, dead zones in the ocean can be traced to synthetic fertilizers. There is run off of nitrogen and phosphorus, both found in fertilizers and animal feed, into watersheds leading to the ocean. This promotes the overgrowth of algae and consequently the depletion of oxygen and all oxygen-dependent creatures in the zone. The Gulf of Mexico dead zone covers 8,000 square miles - an area larger than New Jersey-potentially jeopardizing that region's entire commercial fishery. Organic farming promotes a less toxic environment.

Protect Future Generations- Medical News Today reports that pesticides found in conventional farming show a link between cancer, decreased male fertility, Parkinson's disease, fetal abnormalities, and chronic fatigue syndrome in children. Other studies show that infants are exposed to detrimental substances in-utero, and link non-organic food to coronary heart disease, allergies and hypersensitivity in children.

Build Healthy Soil for Healthy Bodies- According to David Pimentel, Professor of Ecology and Agriculture at Cornell University, it costs the U.S. \$40 billion annually to replace the damages done by the erosion of topsoil due to chemical fertilizers. Without topsoil, plant life is not possible. Further, conventional methods of farming result in the loss of vitamins and minerals in vegetables and fruits. Using organic matter instead of synthetic fertilizers or ammonia increases nutrients, micro-nutrients and minerals in produce. Organic Center State of Science Review in their study, "Elevating Antioxidant Levels in Food Through Organic Farming and Food Processing", link antioxidants in our diet to disease prevention and better health.

Treat your Taste Buds Well - Researchers at Washington State University found that organic berries were judged as sweeter than their non-organic counterparts, in lab taste trials. If you are going to eat those berries, why not eat something that is tastier?

Promote Biodiversity- Organic products support biological conservation. Native plants, birds, insects and other animals thrive in organic environments.

Following in the footsteps of Prophet Muhammad**

The purpose of mankind is to worship and please God Almighty. Among the many things needed, a healthy body is a must to fulfill this requirement. Good health is not possible without proper food and drink. In the Holy Quran it says, "O, ye who believe! Make not unlawful, the good things that God hath made lawful for you. But commit no excess for God loveth not those given to excess. Eat of the things, which God hath provided for you, lawful and good (Halal and *Tayyab*); but fear God in whom ye believe (5:87-88)". *Tayyab* means pure and refers to pure and wholesome foods. Pure foods are those that are in

"Labels with 'all-natural', 'free-range', or 'hormone-free' should not be confused with the term 'organic'. Neither should one assume that all produce at a Farmer's Market or all produce that is locally grown is organic."

their natural states, without the excessive use of pesticides and other synthetic compounds.

Prophet Muhammad** is an example for mankind - the way he worshiped, the way he talked, his manners, and the way he ate. Among his many actions/advice about food, organic food is a way to follow in his footsteps. So next time we sit down for dinner, let's consider what our Prophet would encourage us to eat. Let's ponder on where our food comes from. Let's pay attention to how we take care of our bodies and see if we care for it the way God meant for us to do.

How Do We Know If Foods Are Organic?

Begin by reading food labels and looking in the organic section of your grocery store. All organic foods must meet strict government standards through the organic certification program established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). If a food has a USDA Organic label, it means that at least 95% of the food's ingredients are organically produced. This seal on the label is voluntary, but many organic producers use it. Fruits, vegetables, eggs, or

single-ingredient foods are categorized as 100% organic and have a small USDA organic seal on them.

Where To Shop Organic?

Most groceries today have a section for organic foods. Alternatively, get connected with local farmers who produce organic foods via www.localharvest.org.

Is Buying Organic Food More Expensive?

You may notice that some organic products typically cost 10% to 40% more than similar conventionally produced products. Other organic foods such as coffee, cereal and bread may cost the same or less than the conventional corresponding item. It comes down to economics and personal commitment. As the demand increases and more products become available, the price differentiation will certainly become narrower. Organic foods take longer to ripen because chemicals are not used in their production. Free from preservatives, they also have a shorter shelf life. Those factors, plus a relatively smaller demand, do lead to higher prices.

Keep the following in mind, if you find that organic costs more than conventional products:

- Conventional farmers receive federal subsidies while organic farmers don't.
- Environmental cleanups needed after conventional methods of manufacture are not reflected in product cost as they are paid via tax dollars.
- Organic farming is more labor and management intensive as it does not resort to the conventional use of pesticides or herbicides.

** Muslims recite the words 'peace be upon him' whenever the name of Prophet Muhammad is mentioned.

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100% Organic - products are completely organic or made with all organic ingredients without using chemical fertilizers

Organic - at least 95% of the product is organic

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Halal Certified Cosmetics and Personal Care Products Where Purity Comes First

By Haider Khattak



Cosmetics and personal care products are a part and parcel of our daily lives. These include baby products, bath products, oral care products, skin care products, personal hygiene products, perfumes, deodorants and makeup. Cosmetics and personal care products must comply with government safety regulations. The Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) defines cosmetics by their intended use as “articles intended to be rubbed, poured, sprinkled, or sprayed on, introduced into, or otherwise applied to the human body... for cleansing, beautifying, promoting attractiveness, or altering the appearance” [FD&C Act, sec. 201(i)]. Among products included in this definition are skin moisturizers, perfumes, lipsticks, nail polishes, eye and facial makeup, shampoos, permanent waves, hair colors, toothpastes and deodorants, as well as other materials intended for use as a component of a cosmetic product. Some products meet the definitions of both cosmetics and drugs. This may happen when a product has two intended uses. For instance, a shampoo is a cosmetic because its intended use is to clean hair. An anti-dandruff treatment is a drug because its intended use is the treatment of dandruff. Consequently, an anti-dandruff shampoo is both a cosmetic and a drug (FDA 2002). FDA considers toothpaste as both a cosmetic and a drug because most toothpastes contain fluoride that is used to prevent tooth decay. However, FD&C Act Section 201(i)(2) excludes soap from the definition of a cosmetic. Health Canada (2008) defines cosmetics as products that clean, improve and/ or alter skin complexion, hair or teeth. All cosmetics sold to the public must meet the requirements of the Food and Drugs Act and the Cosmetic Regulations and the Consumer Packaging and Labeling Act.

Historically, plant based products have been used for cleaning, moisturizing, covering up blemishes and even treating minor skin conditions. Currently available skin care products are a concoction of several ingredients, some good, others questionable. For halal consumers, cosmetics and personal care products do

present some challenges because they contain ingredients that make them questionable or *Mashbooh*.

Here is an analysis of personal care products and their composition. A majority of these products include botanical ingredients. A botanical ingredient is a component of a cosmetic or personal care product that originates from plants (herbs, roots, flowers, fruits, leaves or seeds). Botanical ingredients are naturally halal, unless mixed with ingredients of animal origin. Some commonly used ingredients are discussed here.

Cetyl Alcohol, Cetearyl Alcohol, Myristyl Alcohol and Behenyl Alcohol are white, waxy solids, not related to ethyl alcohol. Cetyl Alcohol and Stearyl Alcohol are two

major components of Cetearyl Alcohol. These ingredients are all fatty alcohols and occur naturally in small quantities in plants and animals. They are commonly used in cosmetics and personal care products, especially in skin lotions and creams. Dimethicone and

Methicone, both silicone based polymers, are also considered halal, and used as anti-foaming agents or skin conditioning agents.

Ethyl alcohol or common alcohol, when used in non-food products, in most countries including the United States, is denatured alcohol. This means that a small amount of denaturant is added to the alcohol to make it taste bad. Alcohol Denat. is the general name used for denatured alcohol. Specific denatured alcohols that are permitted for

use in cosmetics and personal care products include Specially Denatured (SD) Alcohol. Alcohol and Alcohol Denat. are used in many products including makeup, lotions, fragrance, shaving products, oral care, skin and hair care products.

Isopropyl Alcohol is widely used in

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glycerine with stearic acid, a fatty acid obtained from animal and vegetable fats and oils. Polyethylene Glycol (PEG) Stearates are esters of polyethylene glycol and stearic acid. PEG Stearates are used in skin creams, conditioners, shampoos, body cleansers and soapless detergents. Sorbitan Stearates, Sorbitan Laurate, Sorbitan Sesquioleate, Sorbitan Oleate, Sorbitan Tristearate, Sorbitan Palmitate, Sorbitan Trioate are used in a variety of products including skin care products, skin cleansing products, moisturizers, eye makeup and other makeup. These Sorbitan Esters are produced by reacting the polyol, sorbitol, with fatty acids. Obviously, animal derived ingredients are questionable and must be avoided. These ingredients are *Mashbooh*, and must be further investigated by calling manufacturers.

Butylene Glycol, Hexylene Glycol, Ethoxydiglycol and Dipropylene Glycol are clear, practically colorless, liquids. These ingredients are used in the formulation of hair and bath products, eye and facial makeup, fragrances, personal cleanliness products, shaving and skin care products. There are no halal concerns about these products.

Glycerin is a sugar alcohol that can be obtained from natural sources or can be synthesized. Glycerin may be found in soaps, toothpaste, shaving cream, eyebrow pencils, lip colors, and skin and hair care products. Glycerin, also referred to as Glycerol, is a component of all animal and vegetable fats and oils. It can also be synthesized from carbohydrate materials or from substances such as petroleum. Vegetable derived glycerin and synthetic glycerin are considered halal. Consumers need to ask manufacturers whether Glycerin in a product is vegetable or animal based.

Sodium Laureth Sulfate and Ammonium Laureth Sulfate are used in the formulation of shampoos,

cosmetic and personal care products and can be found in nail, hair and skin care products including after-shave lotions, bath products, eye makeup and cleansing products.

All the above products with names ending in alcohol are not orally consumable products. They have no

relation to *Khamr*, the common intoxicating alcoholic drink, and hence they are halal for use in skin care products.

Glyceryl Stearate acts as a lubricant on the skin's surface, and gives the skin a soft and smooth appearance. Glyceryl Stearate is made by reacting

bath products, and skin cleansing products but can also be found in other types of products. These ingredients exhibit a high degree of foaming and impart "softness" to the skin. Both ingredients are *Mashbooh*, as are Sodium Lauryl Sulfate and Ammonium Lauryl Sulfate.

Collagen is used in many personal care products such as skin care and anti-aging creams. It is made from animal hides including pigs and may be labeled as hydrolyzed animal protein. Products containing collagen and hydrolyzed animal protein must be avoided.

Ozokerite, Ceresin and Montan Wax are mineral waxes, derived from coal and shale. Paraffin and Microcrystalline Wax are derived from petroleum. Emulsifying Wax and Synthetic Beeswax are manufactured waxes. These waxes are used in many types of products including lipsticks, baby products, eye and facial makeup, as well as nail care, skin care, suntan lotion, sunscreen, fragrances and non-coloring hair preparations. Ozokerite is a naturally occurring fossil wax found near soft shale. Most of the Ozokerite used in commercial applications is mined in Eastern Europe. It hardens on aging and its hardness varies according to its source and refinement. Ceresin is a white to yellow waxy mixture of hydrocarbons obtained by purification of Ozokerite. Montan Wax is a wax obtained by extraction of lignite (woody coals). Paraffin and

Microcrystalline Wax are distillation products of petroleum. Emulsifying Wax is made from a mixture of cetyl and stearyl alcohol and polyoxyethylene derivatives of fatty acid esters of sorbitan. Synthetic Wax is a blend of low molecular weight polymers of ethylene. Synthetic Beeswax is a blend of fatty esters, fatty acids, fatty alcohols, and high molecular weight hydrocarbons. The properties of Synthetic Beeswax resemble beeswax. Since Synthetic

Beeswax contains some critical ingredients, it becomes *Mashbooh*.

IFANCA certifies some companies that produce halal certified personal

care products such as Tom's of Maine products that carry the IFANCA Crescent M halal logo. Sunrider International, Aloe Corp., At Last Naturals, and USANA Health Sciences all manufacture a large number of halal certified cosmetic products. These are listed on the IFANCA website www.IFANCA.org. IFANCA ensures that companies that receive halal certification meet required halal guidelines.

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Q & A with IFANCA Religious Advisor's Sheikh Quaderi and Dr. Ahmad Sakr

Q: Are Muslims permitted to use cosmetics and beauty products?

Sheikh Quaderi: Use of cosmetics and make-up that has been determined to be halal is permissible for women to wear if it is done in a manner that does not attract undue attention. When make-up is done in a manner that makes a person self-confident and pleasant (in appearance); and does not convey the impression of bad taste or negligence when it comes to appearance, it is permissible. But wearing excessive make-up, that attracts undue attention from others is not allowed. *[God knows best]*

Q: Can we pray with nail polish on, if it has been applied after making the ablution (*Wudu*)?

Sheikh Quaderi: It is lawful to pray with nail polish on if one paints one's nails after making ablution provided that the polish itself does not contain anything impure or forbidden by Sharia or Islamic law. However, if one makes ablution after nail polish has been applied, the ablution would not be complete, because nail polish keeps water from reaching the organ (nail) that needs to be ritually cleansed. *[God knows best]*

Q: What about creams and other skin care products? Is their use permitted and can one make the ablution after applying cream?

Sheikh Quaderi: Creams, lotions and similar products are modern versions of oils intended to keep the skin healthy and pliable and to prevent dry skin. So there is no prohibition against the use of such products as long as they are free from *Haram* (not lawful for Muslims) or *Mashbooh* ingredients. As far as making ablution (*Wudu* or *Ghusl*) after applying such a product, you have to know exactly what type of product you are using. They are two types; one that leaves a perceptible layer on the skin and the other that washes off easily. The first kind, such as lipstick, leaves a perceptible layer on the skin, and prevents water from getting to the skin or the organs that should be washed during ablution (or *Ghusl*). It must then be removed. The second kind is

a cream or color that does not leave any perceptible layer on the skin but becomes part of the skin like henna or oil that doesn't prevent water from reaching the skin. It is not obligatory to remove such a product before one makes the ablution. *[God knows best]*

Q: How about the use of facial medicines such as anti-aging creams or anti-wrinkle products or even plastic surgery? Are those permitted in Islam?

Sheikh Quaderi: There is no harm in using halal products that help revive and beautify the skin, especially if there is a need for doing so. But this should not include completely shaving the beard or removing the hair of the eyebrows as these are forbidden by sound evidence. In addition, it should not have any known bad side effects or be harmful. Similarly, plastic surgery that involves changing the normal body formation simply for the purpose of beautifying oneself, is not allowed. It is permissible, however, when it is done for the correction of a defect. *[God knows best]*

Q: How should a Muslim consumer select halal products?

Dr. Ahmad Sakr: Muslims must always read product labels before buying any cosmetic or personal care product. The permission to use personal care products and cosmetics depends on the origin of their ingredients. If these ingredients are pure then they are permissible, so long as their use does not cause any harm, either to one's health or socially. However, if they are composed of impure substances like porcine collagen, gelatin or hydrolyzed animal protein, or other similar impure constituents, they are prohibited. *[God knows best]*

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The Conscientious, Halal Consumer

By Naazish YarKhan

Biodegradable, fair-trade certified, environmentally friendly, organic, sustainable. Each time you open a magazine or switch the TV on, chances are you'll be reminded that you too can save the planet. Your options range from switching to compact fluorescent light bulbs to buying a hybrid car. The Quran beckons us to be vigilant against mistreating the earth and the environment. We are vicegerents on the earth (2:30), and it is our responsibility to take care of it and not abuse it. "The true, absolute owner of the world's riches is their creator and their bestower, God (To Whom be ascribed all Perfection and Majesty). He's the one who has submitted (these riches), like the other forces and treasures of nature to the use of man, to use as creatures made by God, rather than as expendable slaves to be heartlessly exploited," writes Dr. Mohammad Ammara, in his paper titled, "The Vicegerency of Man".

The Quran (25:63) also describes believing men and women as those who "walk on the Earth in humility". Scholars have interpreted this verse, and others like it, to mean that Muslims are to protect nature's many bounties given to them by the Almighty. Being environmentally conscious is therefore a commandment from God. There are more than 700 verses in the Quran that exhort believers to reflect on nature. The Quran (32:4) clearly states that "It is Allah Who has created the heavens and the earth and all between them". So it behooves Muslims to show their love of God by looking after His creatures and the world around them. Further, when mentioning all the creatures on the earth, the Quran (21:20) says, "They celebrate His praises night and day, nor do they ever flag or intermit". It's not humans alone who are capable of prayer and worthy of God's care. When thinking of the environment, the trees,

the birds and the fish in the sea, we need to remember that these creations too worship God Almighty. As British writer Idris Tawfiq asks, "if we really believe that it is God's earth, then how could we not be in favor of looking after it? How could we waste water or use things that harm the soil? If, instead of using the term "environment," we think about the glorious "creation" of Almighty God, it makes so much sense that Muslims should be the ones who guard that creation with the greatest care."

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If you're already recycling, you switch lights off when you leave the room, or turn the tap off as you brush your teeth and are driving less than you used to, it is time to go a step further. Buy fair trade coffee, chocolate, decor (www.tenthousandvillages.com) and even clothing (www.globalgirlfriend.com). For your laundry, choose bio-degradable, natural, fragrance-free, smaller size bottles of concentrated detergent. New condensed formulas are more eco-friendly, require less packaging, less plastic, less water, less gas to ship. When cleaning, use products labeled 100 percent biodegradable that are free of chlorine, anti-microbials, phosphate, dyes or artificial fragrances. Save trees by opting out of catalogs with a service that keeps you off mailing lists (www.greendimes.com). For more ideas, check out <http://www.ecocycle.org/junkmail/index.cfm>. Finally, if you're building a new home or remodeling, The Chicago Green Home Remodeling Series (www.cityofchicago.org) has great "green" advice!

Is Vinegar Halal?

By Haider Khattak

Vinegar is one of the oldest condiments used in foods since ancient times and it continues to be used all over the world as a flavoring and as a preservative. Vinegar is made by two distinct biological processes, both the result of the action of beneficial microorganisms (yeast and "Acetobacter" bacteria) that turn sugars into acetic acid through an intermediary step of alcohol. Many of our favorite foods such as yogurt, cheese and pickles involve some type of bacteria in their production. The first step in the process is called alcoholic fermentation and occurs when yeasts change natural sugars to alcohol in the absence of oxygen, under controlled conditions. In the second step of the process, a group of bacteria (called "Acetobacter") converts the alcohol portion to acetic acid. It is the acetic acid fermentation that forms vinegar. In the manufacture of vinegar, proper bacterial cultures, timing and temperatures are important for fermentation.

Acetic acid is not vinegar, although acetic acid is the primary constituent of vinegar, besides water. Vinegar contains many vitamins and compounds not found in pure acetic acid, such as riboflavin, Vitamin B-1 and mineral salts from the starting material that imparts vinegar its distinct flavor. The United States Food & Drug Administration (FDA) does not recognize diluted acetic acid as vinegar. Consequently, acetic acid should not be substituted for vinegar in pickled foods, or in foods that consumers customarily expect to be prepared with vinegar. Vinegar can be made from any fruit, or from any material containing sugar. Typical retail varieties of vinegar include white distilled vinegar, cider vinegar, red wine vinegar, grape vinegar, rice vinegar, balsamic vinegar, malt vinegar and sugar cane vinegar. Other specialty vinegars include banana vinegar, pineapple vinegar, and raspberry vinegar. Vinegar is also available in flavored and seasoned variety (e.g., garlic, pepper, sage, etc.). The strength of vinegar is measured by the percent of acetic acid present in the product. All vinegar sold in the United States at the retail level should have at least 4% acidity as mandated by FDA. Typical white distilled vinegar comprises at least 4% acidity but no more than 7%. Cider and wine vinegars, typically, are slightly more acidic with approximately 5-6% acidity.

Islamic Status of Wine Vinegar:

While contributing to an article on Istihala: Change of State, Sheikh Dr. Jaafar Al-Quaderi gives an example where he says: "Wine is *Haram* as long as it remains wine. However, if the same wine is turned into vinegar, it becomes halal. Hence the use of vinegar derived from wine is halal."

According to Sheikh Yusuf Al-Qaradawi: "Muslim scholars unanimously agree that if wine turns into vinegar by itself, it is lawful. Most scholars say that it is pure and lawful because it has changed from its original state, others say that it is still impure and, thus, must be avoided. In the books of the Maliki jurists, it is stated that it's permissible to treat wine so that it becomes vinegar."

One may argue that some part of *Haram* (disallowed) wine may be present in wine vinegar, because during the processing of converting wine to wine vinegar, 100% of alcohol does not convert to acid. Some minute amount of wine is left over in wine vinegar. Examining the historic perspective of vinegar making, the determination as to when the vinegar was ready was made by taste and smell rather than percent conversion. In biological as well as manufacturing processes, the reactions seldom result in 100 percent conversion.

Prophet Muhammad** said: "*Vinegar is a comfort for man.*" (Muslim)

Another well-known *Hadith* (sayings of Prophet Muhammad**) is: "*God has put blessing in vinegar, for truly it was the seasoning used by the Prophets before me.*"

And Bayhaqi has transmitted this *Hadith*: "*A household which has vinegar will never suffer from poverty.*"

In conclusion, vinegar has been consumed by Muslims for centuries, even during the time of Prophet Muhammad**. The product itself, as manufactured by the industry and commercially available, is halal.

** Muslims recite the words 'peace be upon him' whenever the name of Prophet Muhammad is mentioned.



Vanilla Flavoring

By Haider Khattak

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The colder months are synonymous with cookies, puddings, fruitcake and other goodies. If you're making them from scratch, you may reach for vanilla essence often since vanilla is used in ice cream, yogurt, pastries, cookies, tea and coffee, to name just a few foods. Vanilla flavoring, which has been used for centuries and is the most popular of all flavoring extracts, is also used in carbonated beverages and flavored waters. Natural vanilla flavoring is obtained from vanilla bean pods. While more than thirty-three species of vanilla are known, most have no value for flavoring (Gnadinger 1929).

The Many Forms of Vanilla:

Ground Vanilla Beans: Ground vanilla beans are often used as a time-saver for industrial or home baking because they blend easily and dissolve quickly. These are ground from spent vanilla beans and do not have the flavor of whole beans or extracts.

Vanilla Extract: Vanilla extract is made by percolating ethyl alcohol and water through macerated vanilla beans. Most companies use a consistent blend of beans, sometimes from several regions, to create their signature flavor. The extraction process takes about 48 hours after which the extracts mellow in tanks with the beans, for a duration ranging from days to weeks, depending on the processor, before being filtered into a holding tank where the amber-colored liquid extract remains until bottled. Ingredients like sugar, corn syrup, caramel, colors and stabilizers may be added to standardize the extract. By FDA standards of identity, vanilla extract must contain at least 35% alcohol.

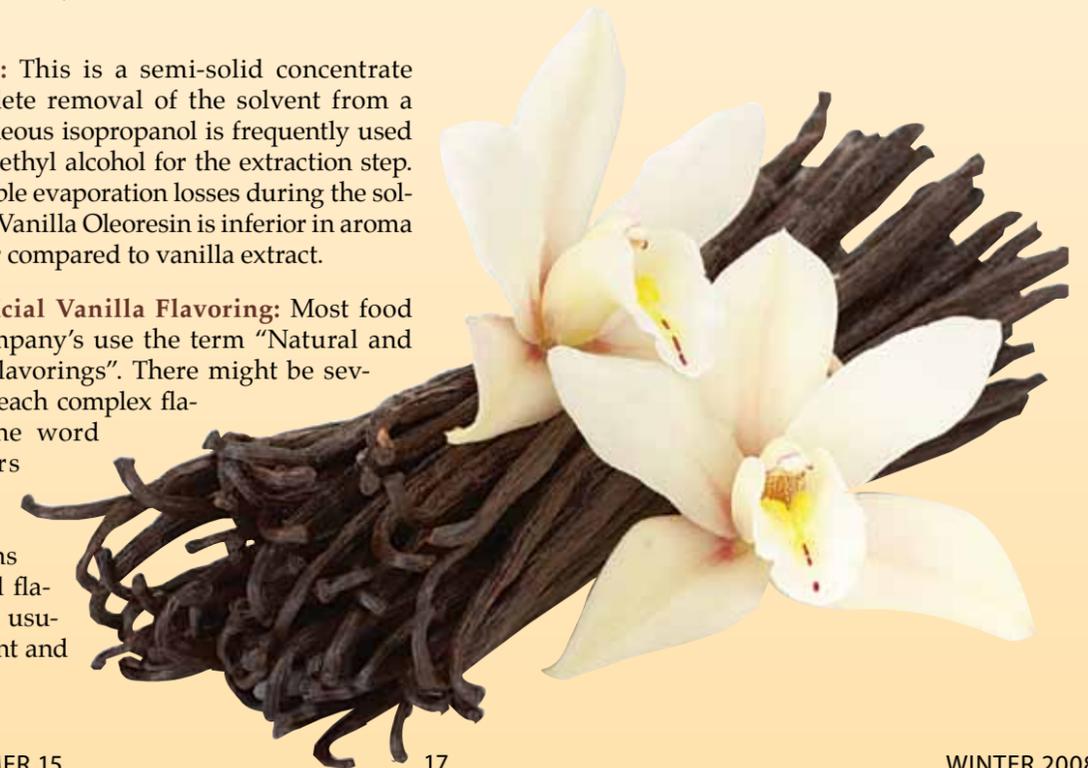
Vanilla Oleoresin: This is a semi-solid concentrate obtained by complete removal of the solvent from a vanilla extract. Aqueous isopropanol is frequently used instead of aqueous ethyl alcohol for the extraction step. Owing to unavoidable evaporation losses during the solvent stripping step, Vanilla Oleoresin is inferior in aroma and flavor character compared to vanilla extract.

Natural and Artificial Vanilla Flavoring: Most food manufacturing company's use the term "Natural and Artificial Vanilla Flavorings". There might be several ingredients in each complex flavor. Some time the word "WONF" appears beside the flavorings on the flavor labels. WONF means "with other natural flavorings". Alcohol is usually used as a solvent and carrier.

Vanilla Powder: The Vanilla Oleoresin, extract, or flavoring can be made into a powder by spray drying or pan drying it into a sweet or semi-sweet carrier powder. Alcohol, if present in the liquid form, is evaporated to an amount much below the 0.5% level.

Vanillin and Ethyl Vanillin: Vanillin, the crystalline component of vanilla, was first isolated from vanilla pods by Goble in 1858. By 1874 it had been obtained from glycosides of pine tree sap, temporarily causing an economic depression in the natural vanilla industry (Lancashire, 2004). Vanillin, a pleasant smelling aromatic compound, is used widely as a flavoring additive in beverages, cooking, and as an aromatic additive for candles, incense, pot-pourri, fragrances, perfumes, and air fresheners. Before using it in a food product or mixing with natural vanilla to make natural and artificial vanilla flavoring, alcohol may be used as solvent and a carrier. It is often obtained as a byproduct of the pulp and paper industry by the oxidative breakdown of lignin. Vanillin and Ethyl Vanillin are also prepared by synthesis (Taber, 2002). Ethyl Vanillin is a flavoring agent that is a synthetic vanilla flavor with approximately three and one-half times the flavoring power of vanillin.

Vanilla extract, oleoresin, powder, flavors, vanillin and ethyl vanillin are food ingredients and not food products. They are never eaten or consumed in their pure form. Alcohol is used to make the ingredient soluble and easy to use, hence all such flavors are considered permissible in the making of halal products.





Global Leader In Nutritionals, Abbott Receives Halal Certification World-Wide

By Naazish YarKhan

“There are 8 million Muslims in the USA and we want to provide nutritional products to as many people as possible. It’s the socially responsible thing to do because now our products are not off-limits to Muslims in the USA who need them.” Abbott, however, will have a few products that can’t be certified as halal since their formulas cannot be changed. Further, in the USA, halal-certified products will not carry a halal logo right away. For now, consumers here will have to turn to the IFANCA website, www.ifanca.org, to determine which products are halal-certified.

Early Beginnings & Growth

Abbott Nutrition’s history dates back to 1903 with the founding of the Moores and Ross Milk Company in Columbus, Ohio, which was later acquired by Abbott. By 1924, the company undertook development of a then unknown and unheard of commodity – a product prepared from milk for use specifically as an infant formula. Initially it was a powder to be reconstituted at home with boiled water. By 1951, the company introduced Similac Concentrated Liquid, a ready-to-mix product with water in a one-to-one ratio, which became very popular. In 1959, Similac With Iron was introduced, and it was the first iron-fortified infant formula in the United States. The company continues to develop other specialty baby formulas and new products as further scientific facts come to light. Today, it’s



Abbott, whose products meet the nutritional needs of infants, young children, active adults, the elderly and those with special nutritional needs will have almost all its products certified as halal by IFANCA, by 2009. It all began with the South East Asian market requesting halal certification. That was followed, six years ago, with Saudi Arabia making halal certification compulsory for all its edible imports. In response, “we researched a whole bunch of companies to get halal-certified,” says Donald Sgontz, Manager of Halal and Kosher programs. “IFANCA is well-respected worldwide and is more knowledgeable than other halal certification companies. We felt they were best suited to the task. Overall, I’ve been very satisfied and the process of making sure our formulas are halal has been very smooth.” All Abbott’s overseas plants that cater to countries with large Muslim populations are certified as halal by IFANCA. Further, Abbott’s products sold in Muslim nations do carry the halal certification logo on their packaging.

The wakeup call to have plants in the USA halal-certified as well, came after news on an American blog, stating that Abbott’s Similac® wasn’t halal-certified, was picked up in Malaysia and spread there like wild fire. This was true of Similac made in plants in the USA, for USA distribution, but was not the case with Similac made overseas for distribution in Malaysia. Similac, a leading baby formula in the Malaysian market, was and is halal-certified and even carries the halal certification logo.

Abbott learned quickly from the experience. To stave off similar scenarios and losses in the future, the company decided to have all its plants (including those in the U.S.), and as many products as possible, certified as halal for markets worldwide. “Not only did it make good business sense, it was also the right thing to do,” says Sgontz.

not just babies that Abbott caters to but young children as well, with products such as Pedialyte, PediaSure and PediaSure with Fiber, the latter two being marketed as a “source of complete, balanced nutrition” for children 1 to 13 years of age.

A Commitment To Ethics

“Abbott is committed to the nutritional health and well-being of babies and advocates breastfeeding as the first choice for infants,” says Sgontz. A guide titled, “Starting to Breastfeed: Tips for New Moms” offers advice and resources to an increasing number of new moms who opt to breastfeed their babies. Besides the bonding breastfeeding encourages between mother and baby, breast milk is the best food for babies. Breastfeeding increases immunity and protects babies from acute illness and infection. It stimulates weight loss for moms and lowers the breastfeeding mother’s risk of breast cancer. In general, the longer one breastfeeds, the greater the benefit to both mother and baby.

Science today backs the wisdom of the Quran when it comes to acknowledging the unique value of breast milk and breastfeeding. While there is no disputing that mother’s milk is best, Abbott’s infant formulas are an excellent option when breast milk is not available, not chosen, is discontinued, or is supplemented. For Abbott, complying with all applicable laws and regulations in the countries where they do business includes following the World Health Organization’s International Code of Marketing of breast milk substitutes. Halal consumers in the USA and worldwide can rest assured that their nutritional choices are IFANCA halal-certified as well.

Adult Nutritional Needs

Besides its trusted pediatric products that offer balanced nutrition for infants and children, Abbott contributed to the idea of healthy living and performance nutritionals for active adults. It created the market more than three decades ago with Ensure® which helps people meet their nutritional needs. Ensure products are developed for adults with specific nutritional requirements, such as those needing to gain or maintain a healthy weight or those who cannot eat enough food to meet their nutritional needs. Today, the healthy living family of nutrition brands also includes Glucerna®, ZonePerfect®, EAS®/Myoplex® and AdvantEDGE®.

Abbott also meets the need for medical nutritionals for patients with special dietary needs. Its researchers were the first to develop a diabetes-specific nutrition formula with the launch of Glucerna shakes and snack bars in 1998. Glucerna products have unique blends of slowly digestible carbohydrates that have been clinically shown to help people manage diabetes. They have developed a growing choice of important, differentiated products, each designed to help people with diabetes better manage abnormal glucose metabolism. Glucerna products are for use under medical supervision as part of a diabetes meal plan. Abbott also meets the nutritional needs of the elderly. Malnutrition is a growing, global health problem. In Europe and the Middle East, 10 to 78 percent of hospital patients, particularly the elderly, suffer from the condition. The effects of malnutrition include disease complications, weakened immune function, increased morbidity and mortality, decreased quality of life and increased cost of health care. (M)



IFANCA Halal-Certified Company News

Halal Chocolate – Ahhhh Delicious!

Muslims needn't compromise on taste or cultural values when it comes to chocolate from Lang's Chocolates or fellow chocolatier, Sacred Chocolates. Both halal certified by IFANCA, these chocolates are the perfect gift for your next dinner party or celebration. Order a few boxes to have on hand the next time you visit a Muslim home and you'll be gifting the ultimate in high quality and good taste.



Pure and wholesome halal ingredients go into making Lang's premium chocolate confections, hand-made in the heart of Pennsylvania and shipped to your door. Last Ramadan Lang's introduced their unique confection of almond-stuffed dates ensconced in premium Belgium chocolate with great success. And in case you're wondering, Chocolate

Liquor, which is defined as the liquid or paste that is produced when cocoa beans are roasted and ground – a basic for all chocolate – contains no alcohol. Lang's Chocolates, which have been halal certified, will indicate so in the product description. For a dynamic Islamic school fundraising project contact them through their website www.langschocolates.com.

Muslim raw food enthusiasts have much to celebrate as well. Sacred Chocolate is raw and prepared below the usual 120 degrees Fahrenheit. The traditional method of making chocolate involves removing the outer skin in the process losing some of cacao's nutrients. With Sacred Chocolate, the beans aren't roasted, none of the cacao bean skin is lost and neither are the nutrients in it. Sacred Chocolate sweetens its



products with maple sugar instead of cane sugar. For a complete listing of IFANCA halal-certified products, please visit www.IFANCA.org

Pine River Cheese Products Go Halal

From humble beginnings in 1885, the cheesemakers of Pine River Cheese & Butter Co-operative have built a reputation for their unique brand of high quality aged Cheddar Cheese. Fiercely independent and one of the few remaining farmer's co-operatives, Pine River Cheese has been owned and operated by the dairy farmers of Bruce County, Ontario for five generations. Now select products have been certified as halal for Muslim consumers in Canada. A complete list of their halal cheese lineup is available at www.ifanca.org

IFANCA Certifies BI Nutraceuticals (WEST)

BI Nutraceuticals now offers several hundred IFANCA halal-certified food and dietary supplement ingredients, ensuring that ingredients are manufactured in keeping with Islamic dietary restrictions. Certifications such as this are perceived as an important value addition not only amongst Muslims but amongst consumers who are particular about the quality of their food.

As part of the halal certification process, BI Nutraceuticals said that IFANCA had inspected all of its manufacturing facilities. "The Muslim faith is an important demographic focus for BI and we feel it critical that our ingredients meet the strict dietary standards of our customer base," said George Pontiakos, President and CEO, BI Nutraceuticals. "Demand from manufacturers for halal-certified ingredients is growing exponentially, especially as halal-certified products continue to be sought out not only by the Muslim community, but also by a diverse group of individuals who view the certification as a symbol of superior quality." The company said a list of its halal-certified ingredients is available upon request.

SAFC® Expands IFANCA Halal-Certified Line Of Flavors & Fragrances

ST. LOUIS, USA –SAFC Supply Solutions®, a focus area within SAFC, a member of the Sigma-Aldrich Group, has added an additional 200 IFANCA halal-certified food-grade products to its extensive flavors & fragrances (F&F) aroma chemicals range. This addition expands SAFC Supply Solutions' halal offering to over 550 prod-

ucts, enhancing its position as a premier supplier of halal certified aroma raw materials to the marketplace.

Mead Johnson Nutritionals Halal-Certified Too

IFANCA certifies several Mead Johnson Nutritionals products for certain markets excluding North America. For a list of its halal-certified products such as its Enfamil and Enfalac brand offerings visit www.ifanca.org. Mead Johnson Nutritionals supports the aim of the World



Health Organization (WHO) International Code of Marketing of Breast Milk Substitutes (WHO Code), which ensures safe and adequate nutrition for infants, whether they are breast-fed or formula-fed, by providing adequate information and appropriate marketing and distribution. In 1983, Mead Johnson became the first U.S. infant formula manufacturer to implement specific policies and directives in support of the WHO Code. Mead Johnson Nutritionals and the University



Sun-Maid Growers of California IFANCA Halal-Certified

Founded in 1912, Sun-Maid Growers of California, the world's largest producer and processor of raisins and other premium quality dried fruits, is now IFANCA halal-certified. Sun-Maid's raisin sales of over \$200 million and 200 million pounds annually are approximately half "Sun-Maid" retail consumer products and half ingredient products for such items as cereals, breads, and a variety of other food products. Located in Kingsburg, California in the heart of the San Joaquin Valley's raisin producing district, Sun-Maid products are distributed throughout the United States and in more than 50 countries. For a complete list of Sun-Maid Growers of California halal-certified products, visit www.ifanca.org and select Sun-Maid Growers of California from the drop down menu.

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of North Carolina at Chapel Hill have joined in a three-year initiative designed to facilitate the transformation of basic research into innovative pediatric nutritional products.

Sunsweet Growers Inc. Halal Certified by IFANCA

Sunsweet Growers Inc., the world's largest handler of dried tree fruits including cranberries, apricots and prunes, added IFANCA halal-certification to its list of credentials. A grower-owned marketing cooperative representing more than one-third of the prune market worldwide, Sunsweet processes more than 50,000 tons of prunes a year.

Sunsweet processes and markets the dried fruit production of more than 400 grower-members. After nearly nine decades, Sunsweet boasts an enviable brand recognition of 85 percent in American households, placing it in the very top rank of long-standing successful American products. Each day, an average of 40,000 cases of Sunsweet products are sealed and marked for worldwide distribution. For a complete list of Sunsweet Growers halal-certified products, visit www.ifanca.org.

Sun-Maid Spice Raisin Oatmeal Cookie Bars

Ingredients:

- 2 large eggs
- ½ cup vegetable oil
- 1 teaspoon vanilla powder
- 1 box (18.25 oz.) spice cake mix
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 1 cup oats
- 1 cup Sun-Maid raisins
- ½ cup pecan pieces (optional)
- 2 Tbs to ¼ cup decorative or coarse sugar (optional)

Directions:

1. PREHEAT oven to 375°F. Spray baking pan with cooking spray; set aside.
2. COMBINE eggs, vegetable oil, and vanilla powder in a large mixing bowl. Use an electric mixer to beat on low, until combined.
3. ADD spice cake mix and brown sugar. Beat on low until dough comes together. (Dough will be dense.)
4. STIR in oats, raisins, and pecans separately.
5. SPREAD dough into prepared pan.
6. BAKE for 20-25 minutes; let cool. Cut into bars to serve.

Optional: Sprinkle desired amount of coarse or decorative sugar over dough mixture for added decoration before baking.

Halal Happenings

IFANCA Welcomes Mariam Majeed

Mariam Majeed received a B.Sc. in Nutrition from the University of Illinois at Chicago in December 2006 and graduated with honors. She has interned at several places including Children's Memorial Hospital, St. James Outpatient Diabetes Center and University of Illinois at Chicago. After her internship she passed her RD examination to become a registered dietitian and served as the clinical and outpatient dietitian at Rush North Shore Medical Center in Skokie for more than a year. In July 2008, she joined IFANCA as a food technologist for food ingredient review amongst other responsibilities. She chose to come to IFANCA to focus on helping the Muslim community and to learn more about the field of food science and the food industry. She has been a Sunday school teacher at Muslim Education Center in Morton Grove and a camp counselor for MCC Muslim Youth Camp for girls. As for hopes for the future, she envisions that Muslims will consistently question the source of their products and demand halal certified products from companies. She speaks English and Urdu fluently.

Syed Farhatulla Quadri Joins IFANCA

Syed Farhatulla Quadri joined IFANCA as its Director of Community Services. Mr. Farhat Quadri is well known to the Chicago community for his involvement in MCC activities, beginning in 1975, primarily as a weekend school teacher, weekend school principal and administrator of the weekend school council. He has been involved in many other community services including the Central Eid Committee of Greater Chicago as its secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Farhat Quadri received his Masters and Ph.D. degrees from Kansas State University, KS. He has served in four large Chicago area hospitals as director of Endocrinology Laboratory Services for the past 33 years.

In his new position at IFANCA, he will be responsible for various services planned to make communities aware of the products and ingredients consumed daily, as well as to oversee the functions of Sabeel Pantry. He will be the IFANCA liaison to Islamic Centers and civic organizations in Greater Chicago, the Midwest and eventually across the USA.

He will also serve as a point person to whom CIOGC Member organizations can direct their concerns,

questions and suggestions regarding food related issues. Mr. Farhat Quadri can be reached by email at s.quadri@ifanca.org and by phone at 773-283-3708 or 847-756-0282.

IFCE Third International Halal Food Conference, 21 November 2008

Europe's only premier Halal event, the International Halal Food Conference organized by Islamic Food Council of Europe (IFCE), returned to Brussels this year. The event had moved to Amsterdam in 2006 following a highly successful inauguration in Brussels in 2004. The event was graced by Madam Wan Suraya Radzi, Minister Counselor for Economic Affairs of the Malaysian Embassy. Other distinguished guests included Dr. Hartiulistyo Edy, Agricultural Attache of the Indonesian Embassy and the President of Indonesian Muslims Association in Brussels and Ms. Deborah Lee, First Secretary (Commercial) of the Singapore Embassy. The attendance of such important dignitaries is indicative of the increasing importance of the Halal industry in Europe and the widening credibility of IFCE as a premier halal certification agency throughout Europe. The event was supported by Indonesian Council of Ulama (MUI) and Halal Industry Development Corporation of Malaysia (HDC).

Dr. Hj Amidhan Shaberah, Chairman, MUI kick-started the conference with a warm welcome from the audience. He discussed halal investment opportunities in Indonesia, and responded to many questions from the floor with regards to Indonesian halal policies. He expressed strong support and recognition of IFCE as a credible halal certifier in Europe.

Ustaz Hj Zainal Abidin Jaffar, Senior Manager, Halal Integrity Division, HDC introduced the new authority in Malaysian Halal certification. He shared information on the comprehensive Malaysian Halal Standard, the MS1500. He also updated the conference on some developments in Malaysia's halal certification program. He iterated that IFCE is a Malaysian recognized Halal certifier in Europe and an HDC partner.

Dr Muhammad Munir Chaudry, President, Islamic Food and Nutrition Council of America (IFANCA) presented a conference paper on the developments in halal certification. Dr. Chaudry shared both the history and current activities of the Halal industry and markets. The evolution of halal from self-produced halal meals to the

multi-billion dollar industry it is today was particularly interesting to all participants.

Shahlan Hairalah, an international halal consultant with years of special interest in halal science, marketing and economics, made a presentation on the current and future trends of global Halal certification. He focused on the various regional markets and the rise of the middle class that was affecting halal consumption globally. He emphasized the importance of the 4 Forces of Successful Halal Trade as the key to reaping all-round benefits from the growing halal industry.

Other guests included speakers from multi-national corporations. These included Donald Sgontz from Abbot Laboratories, Christine Lodder from Mead Johnson and Jes Knudsen from Novozymes. The conference ended with presentations by Mark Overland of Cargill Inc, Etienne Maillard of Lesaffre and Mark Van Mulders of Puratos. Each of them shared how they had systematically implemented IFCE's halal program in producing high quality and premium products. They stressed the

importance of selecting a halal certifier that shared their corporate mission, and exhibited both integrity and capability. In this important and critical aspect of business they expressed great satisfaction to have chosen IFANCA and IFCE.

From Ceylon Jamiyyatul Ulama, Sri Lanka, J. T Mahmud presented on the Sri Lankan experience in halal certification. IFCE associates who presented papers include Mufti Ebrahim Desai, Chief Religious Officer and Dr. Jabbar Khattak, biotechnologist and auditor. Prof. Dr. Hj Mohamed Sadek concluded the conference by thanking all participants and speakers for their continued support of the conference and IFCE. He urged participants to continue their strong support and contribution to meeting the demands of halal markets.

Save the Date

The 11th International Halal Food Conference Organized by IFANCA will be held in Chicago on Sunday, April 19 and Monday, April 20, 2009. For further information contact halal@ifanca.org.

Halal Food in China

Contributed By Daud Wang, IFANCA China

The global market for halal-certified products is estimated to be U.S. \$2 trillion per year, according to Arabian Business.com, in an article dated 15 October, 2008. To assist Chinese food exporters widen their markets globally, IFANCA China is committed to offering Halal certification services to local manufacturers. In 2007, Chinese Halal food exports, largely to the Middle East, UAE, Malaysia, Indonesia and Singapore, were valued at U.S. \$100 million. Chinese food ingredient exports to the USA are estimated to be well over U.S. \$250 million.

Within China itself, a population of 20 - 40 million Muslims translates into a local demand for halal products, especially processed Halal food. In 2007, the sales of snack foods in China were approximately U.S. \$ 15 billion (RMB 100 billion). Sales of snack foods have risen to 15% per year, and are estimated to reach U.S. \$70 billion (RMB 480 billion) by 2018 perhaps making China the largest consumer of food imports in the world. That combined with a projected growth in local purchasing power, makes China a lucrative market for halal food. Multinational companies such as Wrigley and Nestle are already making their products halal for Chinese Muslim consumers. This trend is only going to intensify with the growing demand for Western style products.

More than 200 companies in China have met IFANCA's strict requirements and received halal certification. These include manufacturers of food colors & flavors, antioxidants, emulsifiers, plant extracts and dietary supplements. IFANCA China, through its halal certification services, has been building bridges between Chinese food manufacturers who are interested in exporting their products, and halal food manufacturers in the USA and elsewhere who use those ingredients. For further information contact Daud Wang davidstart@263.net.

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Lifeway Foods, Inc., USA
www.lifeway.net

Matrix Health Products, Inc., USA
www.ifanca.org

Monin, Inc., USA
www.monin.com

Nestle Cote d' Ivore, Ivory Coast
www.nestle.com

Nestlé USA, Inc. Beverage Division, USA
www.nestle.com

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www.new-sevegep.com.cy

Peace River Citrus Products, Inc., USA
www.peacrivercitrus.com

Pepsi Cola Company, USA
www.pepsico.com

Pepsico Ireland, Ireland
www.pepsico.ie

R. Torre Company, USA
www.torani.com

RFI, LLC, USA
www.ifanca.org

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www.ifanca.org

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www.superpufft.com

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www.ifanca.org

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www.ifanca.org

Vegetables Juices, Inc., USA
www.vegetablejuices.com

Zija International, USA
www.drinklifein.com

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Citrus and Allied Essences Ltd., USA
www.citrusandallied.com

Green Chem, India
www.ifanca.org

Jilin Province Hongjiu Biotech Co., Ltd., China
www.hongjiu.en.alibaba.com

Kalsec Inc., USA
www.kalsec.com

Kancor Ingredients Ltd., India
www.kancor.in

Naturex, France
www.naturex.com

Ningbo Green-Health Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., China
www.greenhealth.net.cn

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www.pharmachemlabs.com

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www.plantextrakt.com

Raisio Staest US, Inc., USA
www.raisiogroup.com

Sami Labs Ltd., India
www.samilabs.com

Sensient Food Colors Italy S.R.L., Italy
www.sensient-tech.com

Zhejiang Recover Biotech Co., China
www.ifanca.org

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www.abelandschafer.com

Griffith Laboratories Ltd., Canada
www.griffithlabs.com

Griffith Laboratories N.A., USA
www.griffithlabs.com

Hydroblend, Inc., USA
www.hydroblendinc.com

Newly Weds Foods Co., Canada
www.newlywedsfoods.com

Newly Weds Foods, Inc., USA
www.newlywedsfoods.com

Specialty Products Inc., USA
www.ifanca.org

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Asti Holding Ltd., Canada
www.goldenbonbon.com

Barry Callebaut, Canada
www.barry-callebaut.com

Barry Callebaut Cocoa USA
www.barry-callebaut.com

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www.brown-haley.com

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www.cargill.com

Carolina Ingredients, Inc., USA
www.carolinaingredients.com

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www.hersheys.com

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www.langschocolates.com

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www.sacredcacao.com

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Accucaps Industries Ltd., Canada
www.accucaps.com

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www.bannerpharmacaps.com

C. I. Farmacapsulas S.A., Colombia
www.farmacapsulas.com

Capsugel / Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, USA
www.pfizer.com

Capteck Softgel International, Inc., USA
www.captecksoftgel.com

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www.nutramfg.com

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Universal Capsules, LLC, USA
www.ifanca.org

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Viskase Corporation, USA
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www.cn.nestle.com

WESTHOVE SAS, France
www.ifanca.org

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Aiya Co. Ltd., Japan
www.aiya-america.com

Cafiver S.A. De C.V, Mexico
www.cafiver.com.mx

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www.Chinamist.com

International CoffeeBean and Tea Leaf, USA
www.coffeebean.com

Javo Beverage Company, Inc., USA
www.javobeverage.com

North American Tea & Coffee, Inc., Canada
www.narcinc.com

XCafé, LLC., USA
www.x-cafe.com

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Chef Rubber, USA
www.shopchefrubber.com

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www.chr-hansen.com

Chr. Hansen SA, Peru
www.chr-hansen.com

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www.caramel.com

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www.ddwilliamson.com

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www.pronex.com.pe

Sethness Products Company, USA
www.sethness.com

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Cargill Texturizing Solutions, USA
www.cargill.com

Centro Sperimentale Del Latte SpA, Italy
www.csl.it

DSM Food Specialties U.S.A., USA
www.dsm.com

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www.agrimark.net

ALMIL AG, Germany
www.ifanca.org

American Casein Co., USA
www.americancasein.com

BC - USA, Inc., USA
www.ifanca.org

Bhole Baba Dairy Industries, Ltd., India
www.bholebabadairy.com

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www.bluegrassdairy.com

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www.bongardscheese.com

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www.bongrain.com

Brewster Dairy, USA
www.brewstercheese.com

Brewster West, LLC, USA
www.brewsterwestcheese.com

Cabot Creamery, USA
www.cabotcheese.com

CASP, LLC., USA
www.casplc.com

Columbia River Processing, USA
www.tillamookcheese.com

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www.cheesepowder.com

Dairy Farmers of America, USA
www.dfamilk.com

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www.landolakesinc.com

Darigold, Inc., USA
www.darigold.com

Davisco Foods Intl., Inc., USA
www.daviscofoods.com

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www.dietrichsmilk.com

Dutch Lady Milk Industries, Malaysia
www.dutchlady.com.my

Empire Cheese, Inc, USA
www.empirecheese.com

Erie Foods International, Inc., USA
www.eriefoods.com

Foremost Farms USA, USA
www.foremostfarms.com

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www.casein-hualing.com

Gay Lea Foods Co-operative Limited, Canada
www.gaylea.com

Glanbia Foods, Inc., USA
www.glanbiausa.com

Grande Cheese Company, USA
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Grassland Dairy Products, Inc., USA
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Heilongjiang Qining Dairy Company, China
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Hilmar Ingredients, USA
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Interfood B. V., Netherlands
www.interfood.nl

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Johanna Foods, Inc., USA
www.johannafoods.com

Kantner Group Inc., USA
www.kantnergroupp.com

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www.lactosan.dk

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www.lcfoods.com

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www.lynnmilk.com

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www.dyadic-group.com

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Genencor (Wuxi) Bio-Products Co., Ltd., China
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International Flavors and Fragrances, Inc., USA
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Jeniel Biotech, Inc., USA
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www.kerrygroup.com

Mastertaste, Inc., USA
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Misr Company for Aromatic Products (MARP), Egypt
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www.mothersmurphys.com

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Ogawa & Co., Ltd., Japan
www.ogawa.net

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Ottens Flavors, USA
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Synergy Flavors, Inc., USA
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www.wrighley.com

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Chr. Hansen, Inc., USA
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Complementos Alimenticios, S.A. DE C.V., Mexico
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www.cornproducts.com.br

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Dow Chemical Company, Taiwan
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DSM Nutritional Products, Inc., USA
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Ohly Americas, USA
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Pronex S.A., Peru
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