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Updated media release:

Updated on 4 May 2023: Further to our media release on 26 April 2023, The Orange Lantern Gourmet Kitchen Pte Ltd was fined \$4,000 by the court yesterday for permitting its premises to be used as an unlicensed fish processing establishment. Its Director, Sim Lai Heng, was also fined \$4,000 for failing to prevent the offence from being committed.

SFA's investigations revealed that the Aljunied Avenue 4 premises, which was used by Fish Vision Agro-Tech Pte Ltd to illegally operate a fish processing establishment on 4 October 2022, was licensed to The Orange Lantern Gourmet Kitchen Pte Ltd to conduct food catering. It was not licensed to conduct food processing.

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Fish Vision Agro-Tech Pte Ltd and its Director fined \$4,000 each for illegally operating an unlicensed fish processing establishment

Fish Vision Agro-Tech Pte Ltd was fined \$4,000 by the court today for illegally operating an unlicensed fish processing establishment. Its Director, Chew Kim Hwee, was also fined \$4,000 for failing to prevent the offence from being committed.

2 On 4 October 2022, Singapore Food Agency (SFA) officers found Fish Vision Agro-Tech Pte Ltd illegally operating a fish processing establishment at a premises in Aljunied Avenue 4. Fish processing activities observed at the premises include the descaling, degutting and washing of raw whole fish.

3 Investigations revealed that the premises was not licensed to conduct food processing.



Fish processing tools, such as an automated de-scaler and a descaling brush, were found at the unlicensed fish processing establishment (Photo: SFA)

4 Illegal processing of seafood at unlicensed facilities pose a food safety risk. In Singapore, all food processing for meat and seafood products must be licensed and are required to meet SFA's requirements and food safety standards. These licensed

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premises are also routinely inspected by SFA to ensure compliance. Offenders who process meat and/or fish products illegally shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 and/or imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year.

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