# To the Board of Directors of Ulusoy Un San. ve Tic. A.Ş. Early Determination of Risk Committee Study Report

Meeting Date	02.02.2015
Committee Members Attending the Meeting	Vedat Ceyhan, Salih Zeki Murzioğlu, Nevin Ulusoy
Meeting Subject	Assessment of Risks that may Significantly Influence the Activities, Assets and Sustainability of Ulusoy Un San. ve Tic. A.Ş. (the Company).
Meeting Purpose	To evaluate the Measures taken against the Determined Risks and their Effectiveness and deliver Opinions regarding the matter to the Company Board of Directors.

The Early Determination of Risk Committee, which has been established and has started its duty with the resolution of our board of directors dated 30.10.2014 and numbered 2014/20, as per the "Corporate Management Communique" of the Capital Markets Board numbered (II-17.1), which has entered into force upon being published in the Official Journal dated 03.01.2014 and numbered 28871, and article 378 of the Turkish Trade Law numbered 6102, has convened according to its working principles, duties, authorities and responsibilities, and has made the following determinations and studies in order to diagnose the risks that may endanger the development and continuity of the Company early, to assess whether the required measures for the determined risks are being implemented or not and to manage the risks.

## A. The Company's Risk Environment

- Fundamental Risks concerning the Activities Sectoral Risks

# **Fundamental Risks concerning the Activities**

- Risks concerning Production a.
- Risks concerning Imports b.
- Risks concerning Exports c.
- d. Sales and Marketing Risks
- Financial Risks e.
- f. Logistics Risks
- Risks with respect to Human Resources and Occupational Safety g.
- Natural and Geographic Risks Political and Legal Risks
- - B. Assessment of Measures taken regarding the Risks
  - Conclusion

	No	Risk Area	Description	Scope	Measures Taken
	A.1.a.	Production Risks	Process risks that may prevent the	1. In the process where wheat is	In the raw material input processes foreign
			production of the products at the	processed as raw material, the risk of	substances are kept away from the processes by
			foreseen quality, contents and	contamination of the raw material or the	metal detectors, water treatment and waste
			standards.	produced product with foreign substances	purifiers.
				at any stage of the flow route where	2. Continuous and regular trainings are given to
				wheat is transformed into flour or	the personnel on these matters, the cleaning and
				between these stages.	control processes are audited by "random sampling
				2. The risk of aggregation, molding and	and period" methods.
				infestation in the obscure and dead	3. The machinery maintenance and repair works
					are made regularly, machinery failures are not
				production teams and equipment,	waited for in order to make maintenance and repair
				packing-dispatch and warehouses.	and part replacements, it is ensured that the
					failures and interruptions that emerge are rectified
A.I. Fundamental Risks associated					urgently.
with the Activities				etc. in the main production machinery.	4. It has been determined that comprehensive
					insurance policies have been issued against all
	A 1 b				types of machinery breakage and failures.
	A.1.b.	_	The company sustains its cost and	1. The risk of crisis, revisions in the	Critical stock levels are defined and
		=	quality advantages in the export	production and tax policies that may be	maintained against such negativities.
			markets by wheat imports. The risk	experienced in the markets of countries	2. The world yield expectations are closely
			of any type of negativities that may	from which imports are made.	monitored, alternative imports markets are
			be experienced in the markets it		constantly followed on live basis and alternatives
			imports from.		are kept available as substitutes.
					3. It has been determined that comprehensive
					insurance policies have been issued against the
	A.1.c				logistics risks in the imports processes.
		_	The risk of any type of negativities	1. The risks of anti-damping practices	Especially against anti-damping practices, the
		•	that may be experienced in the	by countries to which exports are made.	required fight is made both by specialists in the
			export markets.	2. The risks of experiencing political,	company and by professional organizations at
				*	sectoral level, and yields results.
				negativities in the markets of the export	2. The risk of experiencing cyclical, political and
				countries.	economic crises in export markets is always valid.
					Therefore, the Company's export department
					researches the export markets continuously on live
					basis and keeps alternative markets as substitutes.

A.1.d.	Sales and	Domestic sales and marketing is	1. The risk of unreturned current	Before making any credit (forward) sales, the
	Marketing Risks	defined.	account balances emerging from forward	necessary market intelligence studies are conducted as
			sales to customers with credit, checks-	per the Company's risk policy, a risk and limit amount is
			notes and similar bonds and inability of	determined for the customers that are decided to be
			collection.	worked with, and it is ensured that the continued
			2. The risk of misappropriation	activities remain within the defined risk and limit borders.
			attempts by personnel assigned for	2. At the locations where the Company operates in the
			collection in the domestic fields.	domestic markets, audits are made by the random
			3. The risk of aggressive competition	sampling and period methods by the assigned inspectors,
			by competitors in the domestic market	and comprehensive insurance policies are issued against
			and entrance of new actors in the market.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
				3. The risks of new actors entering the market and the
				application of more aggressive sales policies by the
				available actors are always valid. The domestic market
				developments are closely monitored by the Company's
				domestic sales and marketing department, and reported
				to the management.
A.1.e.	Financial Risks	Foreign exchange rate risk, interest	1. The risk of assets and liabilities in	A significant amount of the foreign currency short
		rate risk and commodities risk are	foreign currency being impacted to the	position is hedged by using capital market instruments.
		defined.	detriment of the company from the rate	With the positions acquired from Derivatives Exchange
			changes. The currency risk arises from the	and the Forward contracts made with banks, the short
			short positions between the company's	position is monitored along the 15-20 mi. \$ band. The
			liabilities and assets in foreign currency.	size of the taken position changes with the developments
			The fact that liabilities in foreign currency	in the market and the applied Hedging model. For 2015,
			being over the assets leads to a foreign	it is again planned to maintain this prudent position, and
			currency short position. The company's	to manage the short position size within these limits.
			foreign currency short position varies as	2. The fluctuations caused by the changes in the
			based on periods and ranges around 60	market interest rates on the real value of the financial
			mi. \$ on the average.	instruments or future cash flows lead to the need for the
			2. The risks that may emerge in costs	Company to cope with the interest rate risk. Instead of
			and cash flows due to an increase in the	variable interest rate, a fixed interest rate per transaction
			interest rate applied on both short and	is applied in the use of short and long term foreign credit
			long term liabilities.	liabilities. Especially Eximbank origin loans are preferred.
				Domestically, Turkish Grain Board allows the
				purchase-sales prices

			in the wheat prices in the international level organized markets.	it announces as the sector regulator and the actual prices to fluctuate within a certain margin. Therefore, the physical wheat stock is exposed to limited risk against the volatility in the global markets. The risks are limited with the available stock level of the Company and by the Future contract transactions made in organized markets following extra volatility in the foreign markets. Generally, the size that is Hedged ranges at 5-10% of the total stock.
A.1.f.		(supply), storage and dispatch processes are defined.	of the shipment of the purchased raw materials to the warehouses of the Company, their period of staying in the	1. The Company has comprehensive insurance policies issued against risks such as loss, spill, accident, etc. that may be experienced in all dispatch processes. In addition, it is protected from the risks by insurance policies issued against losses and damages that may occur during storage due to flood, fire, theft, etc. The internal control mechanisms especially in the dispatch and storage processes are adequate and their effectiveness is at reasonable levels.
	to Human Resources and Occupational Safety	be experienced and risks aimed for the inability to employ the work force compatible with the activities are defined.	employ a work force that is compatible with the job and will not interrupt the sustainability of the activities.	1. It has been observed that the personnel trainings are made continuously and regularly against work accidents that may be experienced. In addition, the necessary services are received from the Occupational Safety Specialist as per the provisions of the current legislations.  2. The Human Resources department has been established within the Company organization against the risks of the inability to use the available human resources well, experiencing confusion in roles and responsibilities due to the unavailability of the job descriptions, failure to make employee substitute planning for critical roles and positions; and it continues to take effective measures and provide the necessary reports and information to the management.

#### A.2. Sectoral Risks

## A.2.a. Natural and Geographic Risks

- 1. Among the natural risks in agricultural production, primarily hail, frost, fire, draught, storm and flood disasters may be listed.
- Although Turkey has a major potential with respect to both vegetative production and animal production, it has not been able to increase its vegetative production to the desired levels due to various reasons, and in this context, the impact of fluctuations in the supply demand balance on the prices may cause fluctuations in the Company's profit margins.
- 3. The fact that production is dependent on natural conditions to a large extent may lead to fluctuations in product yields and the revenues and profitability of the producers.
- 4. There is a product loss risk caused by bacterial, fungal and viral plant diseases and pests in our country.

Natural ve geographic risks, due to their nature, express risks that are impossible to foresee and measure beforehand. However, against the probability of the occurrence of the above mentioned risks, the Company closely monitors the product yields expected at the regional and international levels, and in order not to be caught off-guard against raw material price increases or yield drops, it reserves the critical stock levels and also tries to manage the risk by forward transactions in the commodity markets.

#### A. 2.b. Political and Legal Risks

- 1. Since wheat, which is the primary input of the Company, is directly influenced by the agricultural policies of the state, any changes that may be experienced in the agricultural policies of the state and reduce the profit margins in the sector may have a negative impact on the Company's profitability.
- 2. Problems that may be experienced in the global economy and the potential fluctuations in the product prices as dependent on these, may impact the agriculture sector negatively.
- 3. The fact that the profit margins are low and the price-focused competition understanding is dominant in the sector may lead to being negatively impacted by potential increases in the general expenses and production costs and a decrease in the sectoral profitability level.

In the sectoral sense, the political and legal risks, similar to the natural and geographic risks, are of defacto nature for the Company and it tries to manage its risks with similar methods also in this respect.

B. Assessment of Measures taken regarding the Risks

In order to be able to manage the defined risks in its fields of activity, the Company tries to take the necessary internal and external measures and gives the necessary importance and care to risk management.

## C. Conclusion

It has been observed that the Company has defined the potential risks that are specific to its activities and its sector and the required studies are implemented with care by both the senior management and the department officials in order to be able to manage these risks and the necessary reporting is made.

Since this report that we have prepared in order to be submitted to the Board of Directors is the first report within the scope of the studies by our committee, risk definitions have been provided in detail; and our subsequent reports will be concentrated on determining any undefined risks and the assessment of risk management together with the available risks.

Respectfully yours,

Committee Members

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