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Chinese organic certification

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PREFACE

There is a increasing demand of organic products in China. The main products of most domestic organic companies are mainly raw materials and simply processed products. But the Chinese consumers have demand of organic processed products too. Therefore there is a big market for organic imported processed products.

After 10 years' negotiation between EU and China, unfortunately no equivalency agreement has been achieved yet. Which means all the organic products sold in China must be certified by a certification body accredited by CNCA. Besides the processing factory, farms also need to be audited as raw material suppliers.

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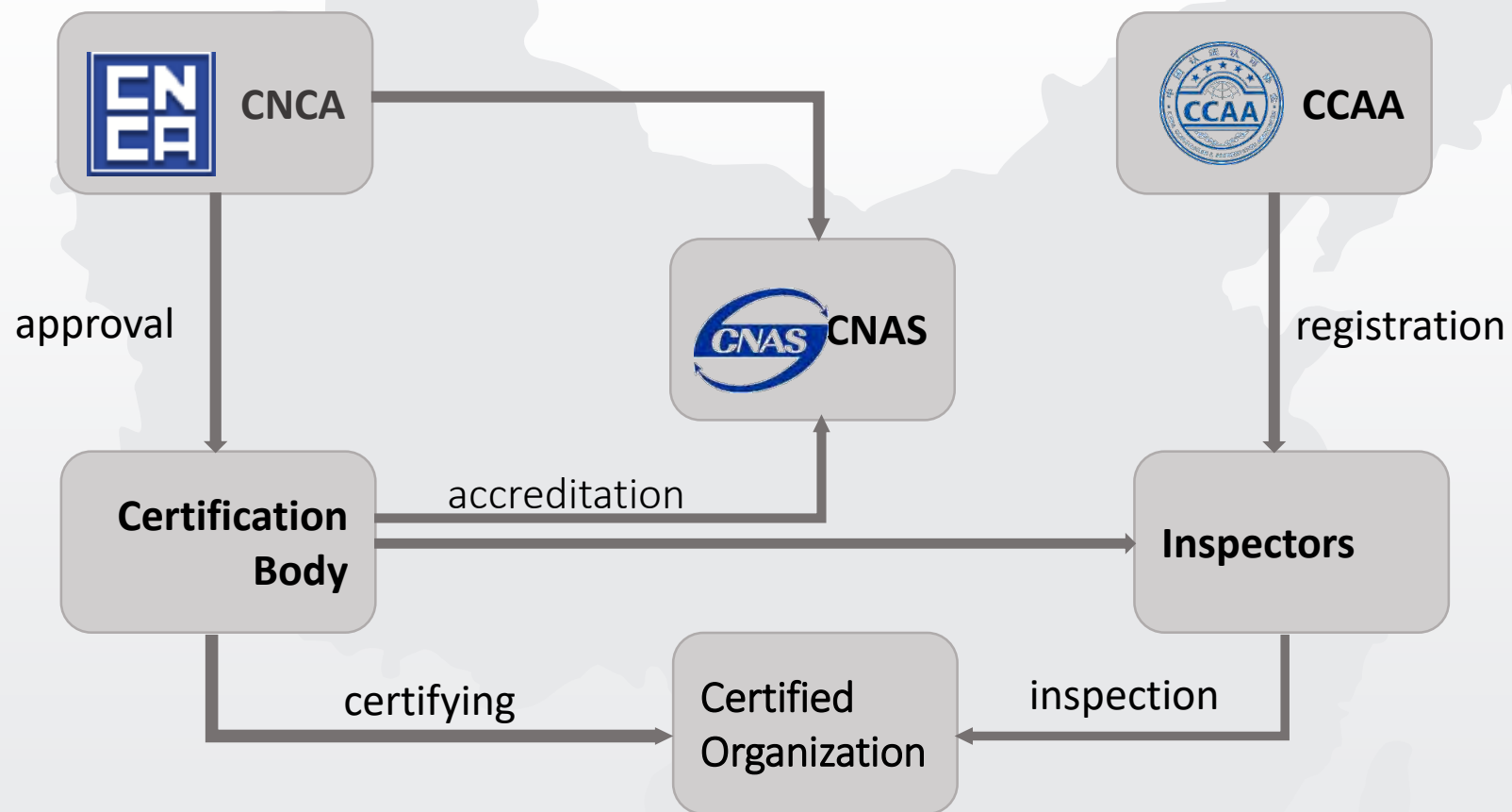
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Chapter One

Chinese organic certification system

Administration System of Organic Certification in CHINA



Organic Regulations and Standards

The following four documents are legislation documents of China organic certification.

1

AQSIQ: Administrative Measures on Organic Product Certification

2

Implementation rules for the Certification of Organic Products
(How should certification Body implement organic certification)

3

GB/T19630-2011: "Organic Products"
1. Production
2. Processing
3. Labelling and marketing
4. **Management system**

4

Organic product certification directory

Only the products which are on the certification directory can be certified as organic in China!

Organic Regulations and Standards

Administrative Measures on Organic Product Certification Chapter 3 Import products



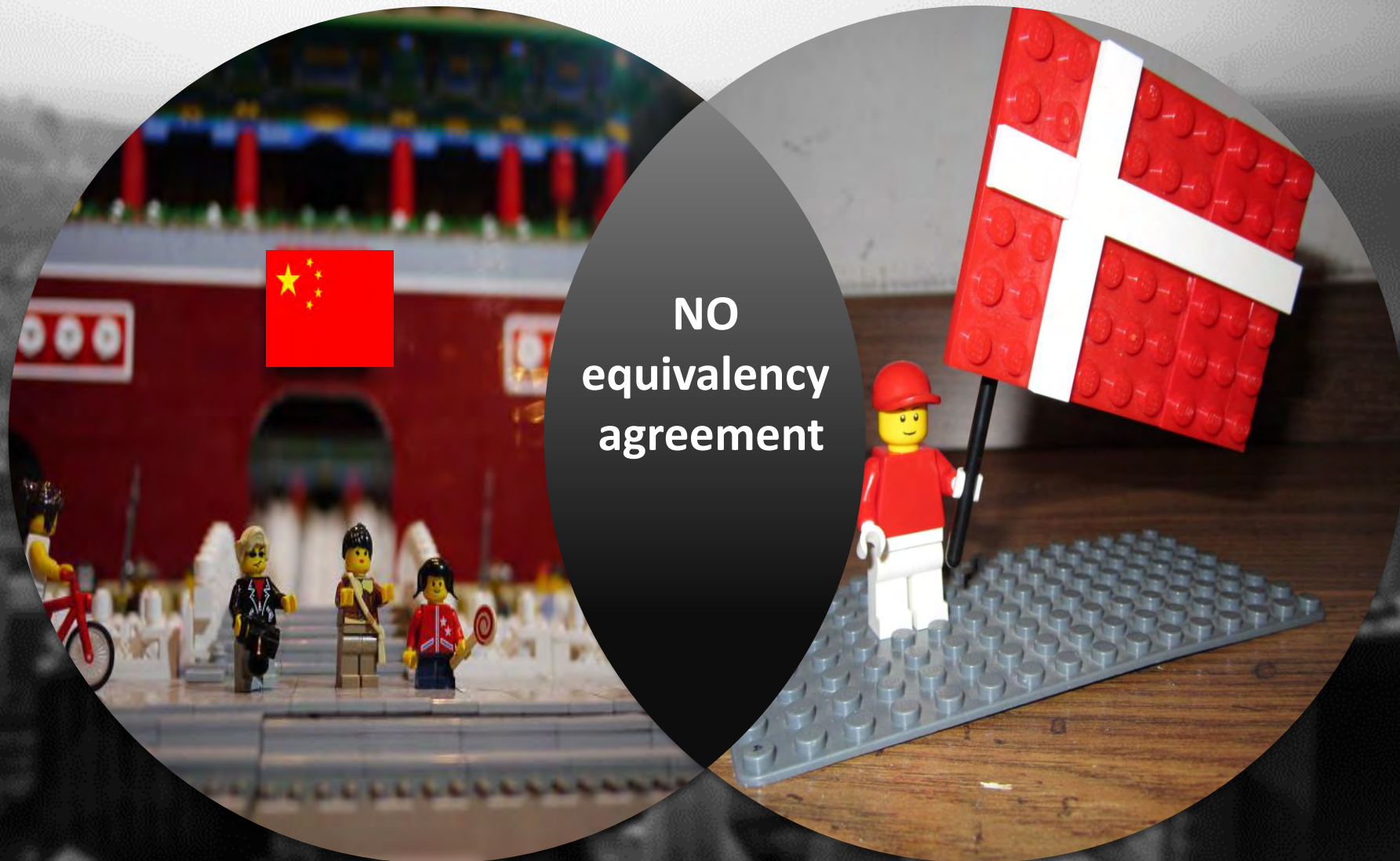
Article
19

Products imported from countries or regions, which have not signed a memorandum on organic product certification in compliance with CNCA but intend to be exported to China as organic products, **shall comply with relevant Chinese laws and regulations of organic products and Chinese national organic product standards.**

Article
20

Organic product manufacturers, distributors, importers or agents (hereinafter collectively referred to as organic products importing consigner) who need to apply for Chinese organic product certification, **shall submit their application to CNCA approved certification bodies.**

Difficulties for Danish organic companies to export to China

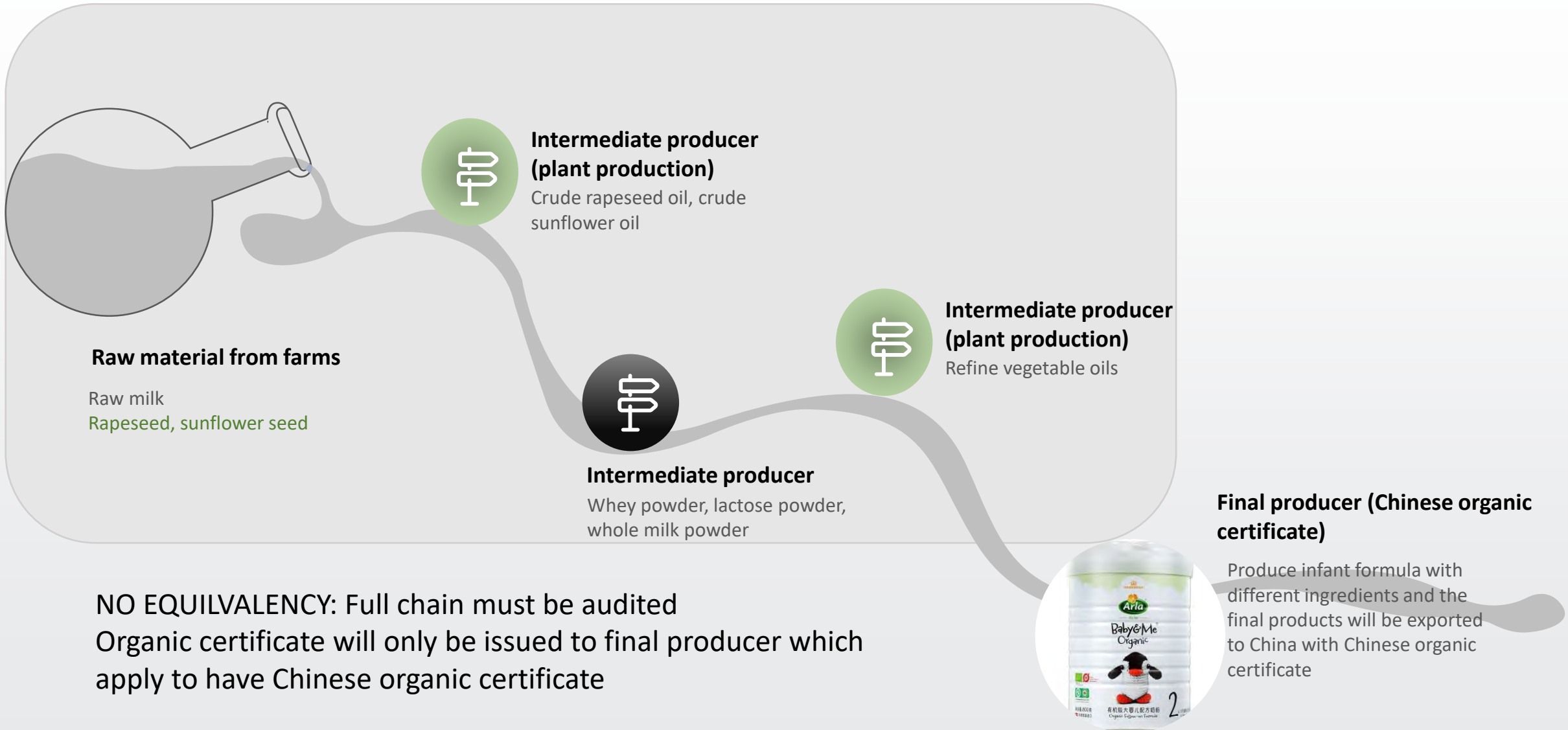




Which means

Chinese organic certification is needed even though the Danish organic companies have been certified according to EU organic standard.

Material flow example





Chapter Two

Differences between Chinese and EU organic certification

Main differences

Between China organic certification and
EU organic certification

Products can be certified

Organic products directory is updated regularly by CNCA. If products are not on the directory, company or certification body can apply to CNCA to add it to directory.

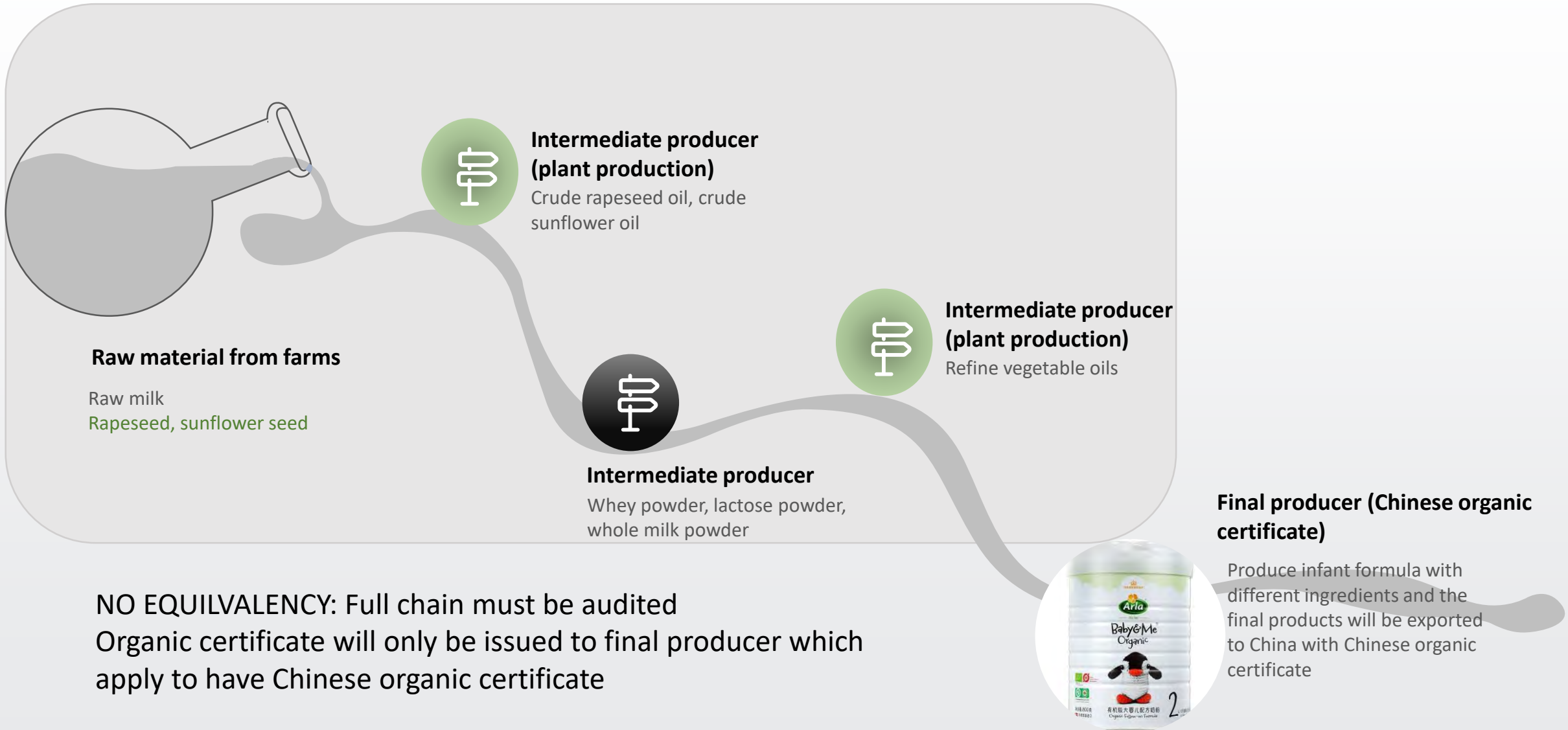
Organic sticker and transaction certificate

End products to final consumers: organic sticker is needed
Bulk products as ingredients: organic transaction certificate (TC) is needed

To product or to company

EU: certificate to company
China: certificate to products with quota

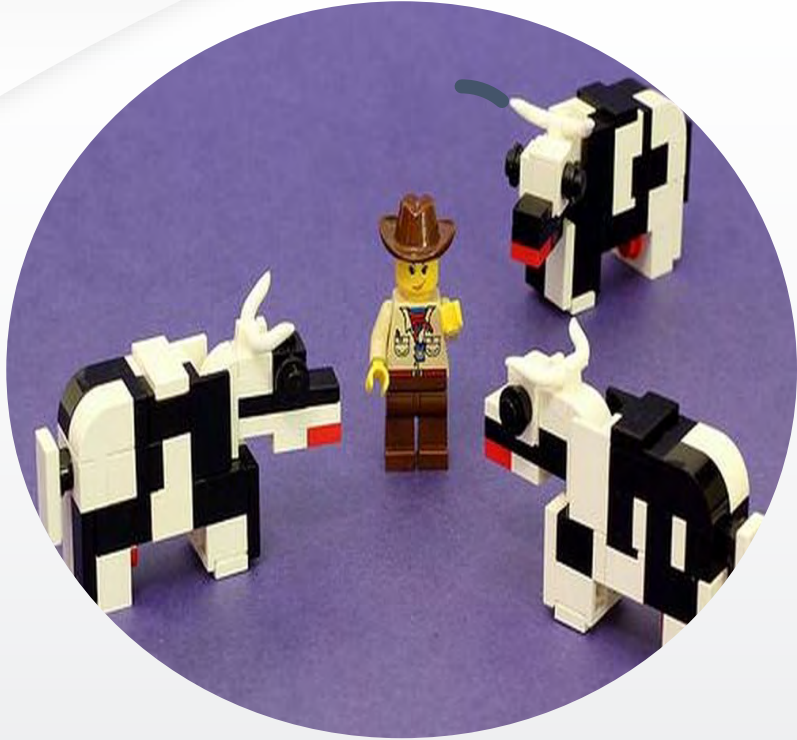
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Chapter Three

**Differences regarding to plant
production and livestock breeding**



Main differences

Environmental monitoring: water analysis, soil analysis, air monitoring

Buffer zone: China has clear requirement about buffer zone

Inputs such as fertilizers: more options according to EU standard. Natural mineral fertilizers are allowed in China.

Management system: Chinese organic certification has clear requirements about quality management system, while EU organic standard is more like a technical standard

Vaccine (livestock breeding): Only allowed to be used when it is forced by the government!

Preventive treatment by chemical medicine (livestock breeding): forbidden by China organic standard



Chapter four

**What is important for China organic
inspection preparation**

Documents needed



Important info

Chinese farms: big companies with 10,000 livestock
Danish farms: could be less than 100 livestock

Antibiotics

Maximal 3 times antibiotics treatment in 12 months
Animals treated by antibiotics must be labeled

Feeding formula

Feeding formula should be listed per day

Compost

Animal manure should be composted before applying in the field

Homeopathical medicine

Keep invoices and record

Besides paper work and interview, a farm tour
is also needed.

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