Coca-Cola Has Recalled Dasani Water Due to Parasite Worms-Fiction!

Summary of eRumor:

Reports that Coca-Cola recalled bottles of its Dasani water after clear parasite worms were found in them have gone viral.

The Truth:

A fake news website is behind false reports that Coca-Cola has recalled its Dasani brand water.

The story first appeared at the fake news website *News 4*, which has been designed to look like a local television news station to trick readers into believing that it's a credible news source.

<u>The story</u>, which appeared under the headline, "Coca-Cola Recalls Dasani Water After Clear Parasite Worm Was Found in Bottles Across U.S" reports that a "major recall" had been issued for "several thousand bottles" of Dasani drinking water:

Even though the majority of the impurities have admittedly been removed from Dasani water, and minerals added back in, these parasites have somehow worked their way into their supposedly "clean" water system which has been passed on to the consumer. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has shut down the manufacturing facility and issued a major recall on the brand. Do not drink this water! The FDA is recommending that if you have no choice but to consume the water, you MUST boil the water first to kill the parasite. Otherwise, it will host itself in your stomach lining and intestine and breed offsprings.

News 4 doesn't clearly identify itself as a fake news website, but a review of its "news coverage" tells the story. Stories about the FDA closing a McDonald's meat packing plant after a man was found having sex with a cow, and about Donald Trump's supporters dying after trying the "Plastic Bag Challenge" Internet trend rounded out its top stories.

Despite the website's lack of credibility, Coca-Cola issued a <u>statement</u> clarifying that it had *not* recalled its Dasani water due to parasites:

Various on-line "reports" of a water recall targeting our Dasani® brand are being circulated ("shared") via social platforms, emails and even word-of-mouth. The article, credited as originating from a "news" source, surfaced on a website suggesting to "consume healthy food." Below is an excerpt from the article providing information confirmed to be false and inflammatory.

In communications between Greg Babb, Corporate Director of Quality and Sustainability for Coca-Cola UNITED, and The Coca-Cola Company regarding the information, The Coca-Cola Company confirmed, "The source of this false and inflammatory information about our brand is a hoax news website. There is no recall of DASANI being conducted in the U.S., so please confidently continue to enjoy DASANI bottled water."

So, reports that Coca-Cola recalled Dasani over worm parasites are totally false.

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NEWS 4 – If you purchase/drink Dasani water you might want to listen up. There has been a major recall by the Coca-Cola company today after several thousand bottles of their drinking water was found to be contaminated with a parasite. It has sent several hundred people to the hospital and is responsible for parasitic symptoms such as fever, rash, vomiting and stomach bloating. This is an excerpt of a story that appeared at the website New 4. <u>Click here</u> for the entire story.