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Note from the Editorial Board

The article M. Aassila "Some results on Heron triangles", *Elem. Math.* 56 (2001), 143–146, was received by the editors on April 17, 2001, and acknowledged on April 24, 2001. Following a positive referee's report, a revised version of the initial manuscript was submitted on July 17, 2001. The manuscript was accepted for publication on September 5, 2001.

In an e-mail of October 27, 2005, and in a detailed letter dated May 26, 2006, Mr. Alpar-Vajk Kramer advised the Editorial Board about the article A.-V. Kramer and F. Luca "Some remarks on Heron triangles", *Acta Acad. Paed. Agriensis, Sec. Math.* (N.S.) 27 (2000), 25–38, which had appeared in December 2000. Their manuscript was received by the editors of *Acta Acad. Paed. Agriensis* on April 12, 2000, and was accepted for publication after a positive referee's report not later than July 10, 2000.

With regard to the contents, the article of M. Aassila shows strong similiarities to the article of A.-V. Kramer and F. Luca; it even contains several identical formulations. On the other hand, the article of A.-V. Kramer and F. Luca is not mentioned as a reference in M. Aassila's paper.

By virtue of this evidence a violation of copyrights in the present case cannot be excluded. Unfortunately, the Editorial Board was not able to get a counter-statement from M. Aassila since he could not be reached, neither by ordinary mail nor by e-mail.

The Editorial Board would like to ask the readership of *Elemente der Mathematik* to take note of this communication and expresses its regrets towards Mr. A.-V. Kramer and Mr. F. Luca in case a violation of copyrights has taken place.

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