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SUMMARY REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANTS, ANIMALS, FOOD AND FEED SECTION PLANT HEALTH ON

13 NOVEMBER 2014

Chair: Koen Van Dyck

All Member States were present or represented at the moment of the vote.

B.1. Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision on a Union financial contribution for 2014 to cover expenditure incurred by Germany, Spain, France, Italy, The Netherlands and Austria for the purposes of combating organisms harmful to plants or plant products (doc SANCO/12380/2014) [Legal Base: Article 45(3) of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014 and Article 84(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012] (Opinion of the Committee via the examination procedure).

The Decision would establish the Union plant health financial contribution ("solidarity") for dossiers evaluated in 2014 by the Commission to cover expenditure incurred by Member States to control several harmful organisms. At the time of implementation of the measures, the harmful organisms of concern were all EU regulated or in the process of being regulated (case of *Anthonomus eugenii*). They are: the Western corn rootworm (*Diabrotica virgifera*) in Germany, the Asian long horn beetle (*Anoplophora glabripennis*) in Austria, France, Germany, Italy and The Netherlands, the pinewood nematode (*Bursaphelenchus xylophilus*) in Spain, the citrus tristeza virus (CTV) and the olive leaf scorch disease (*Xylella fastidiosa*) in Italy, the potato spindle tuber viroid (PSTVd) and the pepper weevil (*Anthonomus eugenii*) in the Netherlands and the island apple snail (*Pomacea insularum*) in Spain. The total of the envisaged co-financing by the Union amounts to € 5,7 million.

Vote: favourable opinion.