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**SUMMARY REPORT OF THE  
STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANTS, ANIMALS, FOOD AND FEED  
HELD IN BRUSSELS ON 06 DECEMBER 2017  
(Section Novel Food and Toxicological Safety of the Food Chain)**

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**B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation establishing the Union list of novel foods in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 of the European Parliament and of the Council on novel foods.**

The draft Commission Implementing Regulation has been published on 5 October 2017 on the better regulation portal for a 4-week public consultation :  
([https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/initiatives/ares-2017-4851094\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/initiatives/ares-2017-4851094_en)).

The period of public consultation ended on 2 November 2017.

In total, 50 comments were submitted, notably in the last days of the public consultation.

More in detail, comments were received from :

- the following business associations : FoodDrinkEurope (FDE), Food Supplements Europe (FSE), EU Specialty Food Ingredients (ELC), European Federation of Health Products Manufacturers Associations (EHPM), European Specialist Sport Nutrition Alliance (ESSNA), International Plant Sterols and Stanols Association (IPSSA), Food Drink Ireland (FDI), Croatian Employer's association (CEA) and *Association de producteurs et distributeurs d'ingrédients alimentaires de spécialité* (SYNPA);
- the remaining 41 comments came from individual companies including an anonymous company and one citizen.

The comments can be divided into two parts, namely general comments relating to the draft legal proposal and specific comments relating to individual substances listed in the Annex to the proposal.

The general comments (not exhaustive) are summarized as follows :

- the need to refer to notified novel foods in the Annex to the proposal of the draft implementing measure;

- the need to have clarity that Commission Decisions authorising individual novel foods remain valid;
- the need to reflect the status of either an authorisation or a notification of a novel food;
- the need to remove specific authorised processes;
- the need to remove the inconsistencies under "specific food categories".

The specific comments on individual substances were related to either conditions of use or specifications.

The Commission's representative provided the following information :

The different Commission Decisions authorising individual substances will not be repealed by this implementing act.

The implementing measures covered the authorised and notified novel foods.

The specific authorised processes were removed from the implementing act.

In so far as possible, inconsistencies have been addressed across the implementing act.

As regards the comments on individual substances, most of the comments have been taken on board as they were related either to conditions of use, maximum levels or specifications.

The draft Commission Implementing Regulation submitted for public consultation has been amended to take into account the comments made during that consultation period. The amended draft Commission Implementing Regulation was submitted to the Committee for opinion.

**Vote taken:** Favourable opinion.

**B.02 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation correcting certain language versions of Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on food additives.**

The Commission provided Member States with information on a draft Commission Regulation correcting certain language versions of Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 on food additives.

The Czech, German and Greek language versions of Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 are concerned by these corrections as they contain errors in Annex II to that Regulation.

The Czech and Greek language versions contain errors in Part E, food categories 08.2 and 05.2, respectively.

The German language version contain errors in Parts D, food category 12.2 and E, food categories 0, 01.7.1, 05.2, 11.1, 12.2, 12.2.2, 13.2 and 17.1.

The other language versions are not concerned by those corrections.

**Vote taken:** Favourable opinion.

**M.01 A.O.B.**

No issues raised under this agenda item.