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SUMMARY REPORT

A.01 Assessment of genetically modified maize MON 89034 × 1507 × MON 88017 x 59122 and eight sub-combinations for renewal of the authorisation, under Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 (application EFSA- GMO-RX-027) – Presentation by EFSA.

EFSA presented the opinion on the renewal of the authorisation for the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize MON 89034 × 1507 × MON 88017 x 59122 and eight sub-combinations.

No Member State raised questions.

A.02 Assessment of genetically modified maize MON 89034 × 1507 × NK603 for renewal of the authorisation, under Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 (application EFSA-GMO-RX-029) – Presentation by EFSA.

EFSA presented the opinion on the renewal of the authorisation for the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize MON 89034 × 1507 × NK603.

No Member State raised questions.

A.03 Assessment of genetically modified maize MON 94804 for food and feed uses, under Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 (application EFSA-GMO-NL-2022-182) – Presentation by EFSA.

EFSA presented the opinion on the application for the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize MON 94804.

No Member State raised questions.

A.04 Emergency measures regarding unauthorised genetically modified rice in rice products originating from China (Decision 2011/884/EU) - Follow-up discussion on reporting methodologies.

Following the discussion of the Regulatory Committee meeting of 26 April, the Commission presented the option to implement a new TRACES feature designed to assist the reporting of border controls on unauthorised GM rice in rice products from

China. The feature would facilitate reporting through TRACES instead of (manual) quarterly reports, by allowing the direct identification of consignments containing rice or rice products from China based on the requirement to upload either a Statement (for consignments that do not contain rice) or a Health Certificate and Analytical report (for consignments that do contain rice) for all consignments having CN codes listed under Annex I of 2011/884/EU.

Several Member States welcomed the initiative but requested time to allow internal discussions with competent national authorities responsible for border controls. The Commission invited Member States to conclude such discussions by the next Regulatory Committee meeting of 17 September 2024, when the Committee's agreement on the implementation of this new TRACES feature will be sought.

A.05 Assessment of genetically modified cotton COT102 for food and feed uses, under Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 (application EFSA-GMO-DE-2017-141) – Presentation by EFSA.

EFSA presented the opinion on the application for the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified cotton COT102.

No Member State raised questions.

B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision renewing the authorisation for the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize MON 89034 × 1507 × MON 88017 x 59122 and eight sub-combinations, pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

The draft Decision renewing the authorisation for the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize MON 89034 × 1507 × MON 88017 x 59122 and eight sub-combinations was presented to the Committee.

No Member State raised questions.

Vote taken: No opinion.

Reasons for negative vote or abstention:

- No agreed national position
- Negative public opinion
- Precautionary principle
- Scientific reasons
- Political reasons

Consequently, the Chair informed the Committee that the draft Decision will be submitted to the Appeal Committee.

Declaration provided by Sweden:

“The renewing of the authorisation of placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified the maize maize MON 89034 × 1507 × MON 88017 x 59122 and eight sub-combinations is on the agenda for this meeting. The authorisation does not include cultivation. The maize maize MON 89034

× 1507 × MON 88017 x 59122 and eight sub-combinations are tolerant to glufosinate-ammonium-based herbicides.

The Swedish Board of Agriculture and the National Food Agency make the same conclusion as stated by EFSA i.e. this product is safe for human and animal health as well as for the environment. Sweden therefore votes in favour of granting the product authorisation according to the Commission proposal.

This does not preclude the Swedish vote on a possible future granting of authorisation of cultivation of seeds that are tolerant to glufosinate-ammonium.”

B.02 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision renewing the authorisation for the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize MON 89034 × 1507 × NK603, pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

The draft Decision renewing the authorisation for the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically maize MON 89034 × 1507 × NK603 was presented to the Committee.

No Member State raised questions.

Vote taken: No opinion.

Reasons for negative vote or abstention:

- No agreed national position
- Negative public opinion
- Precautionary principle
- Scientific reasons
- Political reasons

Consequently, the Chair informed the Committee that the draft Decision will be submitted to the Appeal Committee.

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“The renewal of the authorisation of placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified the maize MON 89034 × 1507 × NK603 is on the agenda for this meeting. The authorisation does not include cultivation. The maize MON 89034 × 1507 × NK603 is tolerant to glufosinate-ammonium-based herbicides.

The Swedish Board of Agriculture and the National Food Agency make the same conclusion as stated by EFSA i.e. this product is safe for human and animal health as well as for the environment. Sweden therefore votes in favour of granting the product authorisation according to the Commission proposal.

This does not preclude the Swedish vote on a possible future granting of authorisation of cultivation of seeds that are tolerant to glufosinate-ammonium.”

B.03 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified cotton COT102, pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

The draft Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified cotton COT102 was presented to the Committee.

A few Member States highlighted the fact that this genetically modified cotton expresses an antibiotic resistance marker gene.

Vote taken: No opinion.

Reasons for negative vote or abstention:

- No agreed national position
- Negative public opinion
- Precautionary principle
- Scientific reasons
- Presence of an antibiotic resistance marker gene
- Political reasons

Consequently, the Chair informed the Committee that the draft Decision will be submitted to the Appeal Committee.

B.04 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize DP202216, pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

The draft Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize DP202216 was presented to the Committee.

No Member State raised questions.

Vote taken: No opinion.

Reasons for negative vote or abstention:

- No agreed national position
- Negative public opinion
- Precautionary principle
- Scientific reasons
- Political reasons

Consequently, the Chair informed the Committee that the draft Decision will be submitted to the Appeal Committee.

Declaration provided by Sweden:

“The authorisation of placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified the maize DP202216 is on the agenda for this meeting. The authorisation does not include cultivation. The maize DP202216 is tolerant to glufosinate-ammonium-based herbicides.

The Swedish Board of Agriculture and the National Food Agency make the same conclusion as stated by EFSA i.e. this product is safe for human and animal health as well as for the environment. Sweden therefore votes in favour of granting the product authorisation according to the Commission proposal.

This does not preclude the Swedish vote on a possible future granting of authorisation of cultivation of seeds that are tolerant to glufosinate-ammonium.”