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SUMMARY REPORT

A.01 Emergency measure on rice from China (Decision 2011/884/EU): overview of the results of Member States' controls for 2021 – Presentation by the Commission

The Commission presented the results of Member States' controls for 2021 and compared them with the results for 2020: this year, the documentary incompliances have slightly increased. The Commission also compared the data provided by the Member States with those extracted from TRACES for 2021. There was no convergence of the two datasets. The discrepancies can be attributed to limitations in TRACES database and the fact that MS do not report all their controls in TRACES. The Commission shared a plan how to address the limitations of TRACES database and highlighted the obligation of the MS to use TRACES for all controls under this emergency measure.

B.01 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 soybean MON 87769 × MON 89788 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 soybean MON $87769 \times MON$ 89788 was presented to the Committee.

The Committee agreed to vote in written procedure in accordance with Article 3(5) of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011.

Vote taken by written procedure: 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 after the written procedure that the draft Decision will be submitted to the Appeal Committee.