



EUROPEAN COMMISSION
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

Food Safety, Sustainability, and Innovation
Deputy Director General for Food Sustainability Responsible for Directorates E, F and G

Brussels
sante.g.3 (2023)12447801

SUMMARY RECORD OF THE APPEAL COMMITTEE

Genetically Modified Food and Feed

28 NOVEMBER 2023

Chair: Claire BURY

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted without amendments.

2. 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 Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × MON 89034 × 5307 × GA21 and thirty sub-combinations, pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council

The Chair introduced the draft Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × MON 89034 × 5307 × GA21 and its sub-combinations, which was the same as that presented to the Standing Committee on 24 October 2023.

The Chair asked whether any Member State had changed its position or whether Member States had any further comments.

No Member State raised questions and therefore the Committee proceeded with the vote.

Vote taken: no opinion.

Reasons for the negative vote or abstention:

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

Declaration provided by Sweden:

“The authorisation of placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified the maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × MON 89034 × 5307 × GA21 and 30 sub-combinations is on the agenda for this meeting.

The authorisation does not include cultivation. The maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × MON 89034 × 5307 × GA21 and 30 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.”

The chair informed the members of the Committee that, in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011, it is now for the Commission to decide on this authorisation.

3. Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision renewing the authorisation for placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified oilseed rapeseeds Ms8, Rf3 and Ms8 × Rf3, pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council

The Chair introduced the draft Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified oilseed rapeseeds Ms8, Rf3 and Ms8 × Rf3, which was the same as that presented to the Standing Committee on 24 October 2023.

The Chair asked whether any Member State had changed its position or whether Member States had any further comments.

No Member State raised questions and therefore the Committee proceeded with the vote.

Vote taken: no opinion.

Reasons for the negative vote or abstention:

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

Declaration provided by Sweden:

“The authorisation of placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified the rapeseed Ms8, Rf3 and Ms8 × Rf3 is on the agenda for this meeting.

The authorisation does not include cultivation. The rapeseed Ms8, Rf3 and Ms8 × Rf3 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.

The chair informed the members of the Committee that, in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011, it is now for the Commission to decide on this authorisation.

Electronically signed
Claire BURY