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HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY DIRECTORATE GENERAL

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SUMMARY REPORT OF THE APPEAL COMMITTEE

Genetically Modified Food and Feed

Regulatory Committee 2001/18/EC

2 JUNE 2016

Chair: Ladislav Miko

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Chair explained the interpretation regime for the Appeal Committee. The agenda was adopted.

2. Draft Commission Implementing Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × GA21, and genetically modified maizes combining two or three of the events Bt11, MIR162, MIR604 and GA21, and repealing Decisions 2010/426/EU, 2011/893/EU, 2011/892/EU and 2011/894/EU

SANTE/10285/2016

The draft Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × GA21 and genetically modified maizes combining two or three of all the single events was presented and submitted to the Committee for an opinion.

Vote taken: no opinion

Reasons for the negative vote or abstention:

- Risk assessment deemed not sufficient
- Negative public opinion
- No agreed national position
- Risk assessment deemed not sufficient
- The Regulation on GM food and feed is not considered as the right legal basis to authorise products other than food and feed containing and consisting of GMOs
- Negative public opinion
- Precautionary principle
- Lack of long-term feeding studies
- Interactions between single events not sufficiently assessed

3. Draft Commission Implementing Decision as regards the placing on the market of a genetically modified carnation (*Dianthus caryophyllus* L., line SHD-27531-4)

SANTE/10338/2016

The draft Decision as regards the placing on the market of a genetically modified carnation (*Dianthus caryophyllus* L., line SHD-27531-4) was presented and submitted to the Committee for an opinion.

Vote taken: no opinion

Reasons for the negative vote or abstention:

- Political reasons
- Negative public opinion
- No agreed national position
- Human-aided propagation cannot be excluded
- Potential spread of pollen and cross-pollination cannot be excluded
- Social utility of these GMOs is unclear
- Ethical concerns
- Plant-to-plant gene transfer cannot be excluded
- Political reasons
- Negative public opinion, political reasons
- Assessment deemed not sufficient
- Precautionary principle

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 the two authorisations.