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A8-0475/46

**Amendment 46**

**Anthea McIntyre**

on behalf of the ECR Group

**Report**

**Norbert Lins, Bart Staes**

Union's authorisation procedure for pesticides  
(2018/2153(INI))

**A8-0475/2018**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital BU**

*Motion for a resolution*

BU. whereas there is a ***lack of availability of*** low-risk plant protection products; whereas only ten substances are approved as low-risk active substances out of a total of almost 500 available on the EU market; whereas ***the lack of availability of low-risk plant protection products makes integrated pest management implementation and development more difficult***; whereas ***this lack of availability is caused by the lengthy evaluation, authorisation and registration process***;

*Amendment*

BU. whereas there is a ***need to support the accelerated approval of new*** low-risk plant protection products; whereas only ten substances are approved as low-risk active substances out of a total of almost 500 available on the EU market; whereas ***Parliament's European Implementation Assessment on the Regulation notes that it is generally recognised that the number of active substances available is substantially decreasing***; whereas ***low-risk substances should be encouraged and may constitute an alternative to certain substances***;

Or. en

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**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital BW**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

BW. whereas plant protection products should be thoroughly assessed in accordance with current scientific and technical knowledge prior to their authorisation; *whereas understaffing and/or underfunding may result in over-reliance on the assessment conducted for the approval of the active substances in the context of decisions for plant protection products;*

BW. whereas plant protection products should be thoroughly assessed in accordance with current scientific and technical knowledge prior to their authorisation;

Or. en

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**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital BX**

*Motion for a resolution*

BX. whereas the procedure for authorisation of plant protection products, and in particular the data requirements for risk assessment, *should take* into account the actual use of plant protection products;

*Amendment*

BX. whereas the procedure for authorisation of plant protection products, and in particular the data requirements for risk assessment, *already takes* into account the actual use of plant protection products;

Or. en

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**Amendment 49**  
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**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital CB**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**CB.** *whereas the absence of these EU lists makes the thorough risk assessment of plant protection products more difficult;*

*deleted*

Or. en

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**Amendment 50**

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**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital CC**

*Motion for a resolution*

CC. whereas concern has been raised with regard to the zonal system, and in particular the delays in the procedure and the frequent full or partial re-evaluations of applications in the context of mutual recognition, arising from the differing national requirements of evaluation models of Member States in the same zone; whereas the aim of the procedure of mutual recognition by Member States *was* to simplify procedures and increase trust among the Member States; whereas the application of the mutual recognition procedure is regarded as an important tool to increase work sharing and ensure compliance with deadlines while guaranteeing optimum protection, ***and is important for the functioning of the internal market;***

*Amendment*

CC. whereas concern has been raised with regard to the zonal system, and in particular the delays in the procedure and the frequent full or partial re-evaluations of applications in the context of mutual recognition, arising from the differing national requirements of evaluation models of Member States in the same zone; whereas the aim, ***in terms of the single market, of the*** procedure of mutual recognition by Member States ***in a particular geographical region is*** to simplify procedures and increase trust among the Member States; whereas the application of the mutual recognition procedure is regarded as an important tool to increase work sharing and ensure compliance with deadlines while guaranteeing optimum protection ***for users; stresses that these delays seriously hinder the market introduction of efficient and innovative products;***

Or. en

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**Amendment 51**

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**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital CH**

*Motion for a resolution*

CH. *whereas recent reports have highlighted significant declines in biodiversity with regard to birds and insects, in particular bees and other pollinators; whereas, in the last 27 years, a decline of over 75 % in total flying insect biomass in protected areas has been observed<sup>1</sup>; whereas agricultural intensification (e.g. pesticide usage, year-round tillage, increased use of fertilisers and frequency of agronomic measures), which was not incorporated in that analysis, may form a plausible cause; whereas agricultural intensification has been associated with an overall decline in biodiversity in plants, insects, birds and other species; whereas biodiversity and robust ecosystems are of fundamental importance, particularly bees and other pollinating insects, to ensure a healthy and sustainable agricultural sector;*

*Amendment*

CH. *whereas biodiversity and robust ecosystems are of fundamental importance, particularly bees and other pollinating insects, to ensure a healthy and sustainable agricultural sector;*

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<sup>1</sup> See Hallmann, C.A., Sorg, M., Jongejans, E., Siepel, H., Hofland, N., Schwan, H., et al. (2017) 'More than 75 percent decline over 27 years in total flying insect biomass in protected areas'. PLoS ONE 12(10): e0185809.  
<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0185809>

Or. en

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**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital CI**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*CI. whereas the ban on all outdoor uses of three neonicotinoids (imidacloprid, clothianidin and thiamethoxam) is welcome; whereas these bans should not be undermined by undue Article 53 derogations;* *deleted*

Or. en

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**Amendment 53**

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**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital CJ**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***CJ. whereas other systemic plant protection products should be restricted as much as possible, including for seed treatment, if they pose a danger to human health and the environment;***

***deleted***

Or. en



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**Amendment 54**

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**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital CK**

*Motion for a resolution*

CK. whereas the use and identified cases of emergency authorisations granted under Article 53(2) of the Regulation are increasing *within the EU*; whereas some Member States use Article 53 significantly more than others; whereas the recent EFSA evaluation of the emergency authorisations of three neonicotinoids concluded that in some cases those authorisations were in line with the provisions set out in the legislation, while in other cases those conditions were not met;

*Amendment*

CK. whereas the use and identified cases of emergency authorisations granted under Article 53(2) of the Regulation are increasing *in some Member States, while decreasing in others*; whereas some Member States use Article 53 significantly more than others; whereas the recent EFSA evaluation of the emergency authorisations of three neonicotinoids concluded that in some cases those authorisations were in line with the provisions set out in the legislation, while in other cases those conditions were not met, *and in these cases the effect of substitution should be investigated; whereas in the most recent audit report, the Commission noted that in the Member States, systems for emergency authorisations were effective in evaluating the justification for granting this type of authorisation for limited and controlled use;*

Or. en

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**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital CL**

*Motion for a resolution*

CL. whereas *systematic* delays in *the* authorisation *processes could also* lead to an *increasing use* of emergency *authorisations*; whereas *recourse to Article 53 derogations for minor uses to address special situations other than actual emergencies is not viable or appropriate*; whereas *EFSA should investigate the effect of substitution as well as the availability of non-chemical methods*;

*Amendment*

CL. whereas *a Commission audit on the evaluation of the authorisation of plant protection products in Member States concluded that the majority of countries fail to comply with almost all legal deadlines under the Regulation and that* delays in *granting regular* authorisation, *especially for minor uses*, lead to an *increased number* of emergency *applications*; whereas *an inability to tackle pests, particularly for speciality crops, endangers the quality, diversity and sustainable production of food crops in the EU*; whereas *the risk to production has been calculated to total more than EUR 1 billion, including production loss and additional costs for farmers*; whereas *risks will only become more acute as populations increase and pressures on land use intensify*;

Or. en