

Amendment 103

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on behalf of the ENF Group

Report

Norbert Lins, Bart Staes

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

A8-0475/2018

Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 1***Motion for a resolution*

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(a) the European scientific evaluation must cover the PPPs (active substance, adjuvants and co-formulants) and no longer only the active substance, on the basis of studies commissioned by the evaluation committee and no longer provided by the applicant (with a funding method to be determined);

(b) the evaluation should be carried out by experts appointed by the Member States, whose possible conflicts of interest should be managed in accordance with the model applied by IARC;

(c) EFSA's role should be to coordinate the work of national experts and to be in charge of the technical secretariat;

(d) Member States must be able to refuse

the use on their territory of a product authorised at EU level, as well as the circulation, and in particular the import, of food treated with plant protection products whose use they have prohibited;

(e) a rigorous pesticidovigilance system should be set up to trigger an alert, if necessary, once a product has been placed on the market, together with a monitoring network involving a wide array of stakeholders, including farmers;

Or. en

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Paragraph 1 a (new)

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1a. Calls for the next common agricultural policy (CAP) to take account of the necessary transition to an agricultural system that is less dependent on PPPs, by implementing the necessary measures to support farmers, in particular with regard to the financial implications of this transition, and to support innovative practices and products;

Or. en

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Paragraph 1 b (new)

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1b. Considers that the strictest authorisation procedures in Europe will be ineffective or even counterproductive if European producers are not protected on their domestic markets against unfair competition, in particular against the import of products treated with pesticides banned in Europe; calls, therefore, for the end of negotiations and the revocation of free trade agreements, at least in their agricultural aspects; finally, calls for the quarterly publication of the results of customs controls on imports;

Or. en

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Paragraph 1 c (new)

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Ic. Notes that EFSA's management has failed in its mission and calls for the immediate resignation of the agency's director and the head of its pesticide unit;

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