Question for written answer E-004366/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Mireille D'Ornano (ENF)

Subject: French Senate's motion for a European resolution

On 19 May 2017, the French Senate adopted a motion for a European resolution to introduce a ban at EU level on non-agricultural use of chemical pesticides. France already applies those stricter rules on the use of plant protection products, having enforced the Labbé law of 6 February 2014. Since that law came into effect, chemical pesticides can no longer be used in France for the maintenance of green areas, forests or roads.

The French Senate's European resolution appears to be consistent with the EU's objectives with regard to protecting the environment and public health. It is also in line with the myriad of legal and non-legal texts cited in the resolution.

- 1. Does the Commission plan to encourage the Member States to further reduce their use of plant protection products?
- 2. Does the Commission intend, as proposed in the EU resolution, to develop EU legislation which bans non-agricultural use of chemical pesticides?

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