

WRITTEN QUESTION E-6238/08
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to the Commission

Subject: Insecticides and plant protection products

Insecticides protect crops but also control insect vectors of human and animal diseases. How will the proposed Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market (COM(2006)0388, Replacement of Council Directive 91/414/EEC¹) affect the availability of insecticides used to control such vectors? Which animal and human diseases will become more prevalent and what alternative control strategies will be deployed to prevent serious human and animal health impacts?

¹ OJ L 230, 19.8.1991, p. 1.