WRITTEN QUESTION E-3976/09 by Stavros Lambrinidis (S-D) and Kriton Arsenis (S-D) to the Commission

Subject: Renewal of licence to cultivate genetically modified maize

The European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) recently delivered an opinion in favour of renewing the ten-year licence for cultivating the genetically modified maize MON810. At the same time, within the Council, 11 Member States are requesting the revision of European legislation to enable each Member State to decide, in accordance with the subsidiarity principle, on the licensing of genetically modified seeds on its territory.

In the light of the above, what will be the Commission's proposal to the Council concerning the renewal of the ten-year licence for genetically modified maize MON810?

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