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SUMMARY REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE FOOD CHAIN AND ANIMAL HEALTH

(Section - PESTICIDES RESIDUES)

10-11 October 2011

President: Michael Flüh

24 Member States were present. Portugal was absent and represented by Spain. Romania was absent and represented by Slovakia. Slovenia was absent and represented by Austria.

Qualified majority: 255 votes and 14 Member States in favour.

SECTION B Drafts presented for an opinion

- 1. Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for amidosulfuron, azoxystrobin, bentazone, bixafen, cyproconazole, fluopyram, imazapic, malathion, propiconazole and spinosad.** (Doc. SANCO/12225/2011 Rev. 3) (Regulatory Procedure with Scrutiny of the European Parliament and Council - Legal Base: Article 14(1) of Regulation (EC) No 396/2005)

The Commission presented the proposal and its contents.

Several Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) applications were submitted under Article 6(1) of Regulation (EC) No 396/2005:

- amidosulfuron concerning residues in bovine fat, kidney, liver and milk;
- azoxystrobin for the use on seeds of mustard, poppy and gold of pleasure;
- bentazone for the use on legume vegetables and fresh herbs;
- bixafen for the use on rape seed, linseed, mustard seed and poppy seed;
- cyproconazole for the use on rape seed;
- fluopyram for the use on several commodities;
- propiconazole for the use on rice;
- spinosad for the use on blackberries, raspberries, bananas, radishes and parsley.

Several import tolerance applications to modify the Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) were submitted under Articles 6(2) and 6(4) of Regulation (EC) No 396/2005:

- fluopyram for the use on several commodities;
- imazapic for the use on sugar cane;
- malathion for the use on camomile.

The European Food Safety Authority's (EFSA) opinion concluded that the modifications to the MRLs requested by the applicants, were acceptable with regard to consumer safety and that all requirements with respect to data were met, except for spinosad for the use on blackberries and raspberries and fluopyram for several commodities.

Vote: Qualified majority by 338 votes in favour, 7 abstentions.

2. Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation on the Coordinated Community Control Programme 2012, 2013 and 2014. (Doc. SANCO/11278/2011 Rev. 2) Legal Base: Article 29(2) of Regulation (EC) No 396/2005) (Opinion of the Committee via the examination procedure)

This is the Union control programme that identifies specific samples to be included in the national control programmes, according to the provisions of Article 29 of Regulation (EC) No 396/2005.

Vote: Qualified majority by 341 votes in favour, 4 abstentions.

SECTION D Any other business

1. Germany's request to postpone azadirachtin evaluation under Article 12.

Germany requested the Commission to postpone the review of MRLs under Article 12 until the submission of confirmatory data, expected by the end of 2013, in line with Directive 2011/44/EU.

The Commission gave its agreement in principle and will discuss the matter in more detail at the next meeting of the Pesticides Residues Section of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health.