Chair: Céline Valero

All Member States were represented.

Adoption of the agenda

1. French safeguard clause on MON 810 cultivation.

A Commission representative explained as an informative point the background on the French emergency measure on MON810 cultivation and that the Commission has already taken some actions. The Commission has sent a mandate to EFSA requesting an in depth analysis of the scientific elements provided by France. Based on a preliminary analysis, it was also explained that the Commission has no intention to adopt an emergency measure but that this decision might be reconsidered once EFSA will have adopted its conclusions on the scientific elements provided by France.

France explained the reasons why the emergency measure on MON810 cultivation was adopted.

Some Member States expressed their support to the Commission's analysis while others expressed their support to the French safeguard clause.