SUMMARY REPORT OF THE APPEAL COMMITTEE

Genetically Modified Food and Feed (maize MON 810, GM maize combining different GM events, maize MON89034×1507×NK603)

11 JULY 2013

President: Ladislav Miko

28 Member States were present

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Chair explained the interpretation regime for the Appeal Committee which, as a general rule, follows the applicable regime in the corresponding Standing Committee. He also explained that the Commission proposed the option of voting by written procedure for this Appeal committee, taking into account that there had been no change of committee opinions in the past. One delegation preferred to have a meeting and therefore the Appeal committee was convened. The Chair underlined that with the agreement of all Member States, the written procedure could be used in the future in case of no change of opinion with regard to the SCFCAH vote.


The draft Commission Implementing Decision authorising the placing on the market of genetically modified maize MON 810 pollen (MON-00810-6) pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council was presented and submitted to the Committee for an opinion.

Vote: no opinion (168 votes in favour, 145 votes against, 39 abstentions)
The Chair indicated that the Commission services will proceed with the authorisation and submit a draft measure to the College for possible adoption. Pursuant to Article 4(6) of the Rules of procedure of the appeal committee, the Chair will, as soon as possible, inform the members of the committee on the intention of the Commission.

3. Exchange of views and opinion of the appeal committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified (GM) maize MON 89034×1507×MON88017×59122 (MON-89034-3xDAS-Ø1507-1xMON-88017-3xDAS-59122-7), four related GM maize combining three different single GM events (MON89034×1507×MON88017 (MON-89034-3xDAS-Ø1507-1xMON-88017-3), MON89034×1507×59122 (MON-89034-3xDAS-Ø1507-1xDAS-59122-7), MON89034×MON88017×59122 (MON-89034-3xMON-88017-3xDAS-59122-7), 1507×MON 88017×59122 (DAS-Ø1507-1xMON-88017-3xDAS-59122-7)) and four related GM maize combining two different single GM events (MON89034×1507 (MON-89034-3xDAS-Ø1507-1), MON89034×59122 (MON-89034-3xDAS-59122-7), 1507×MON88017 (DAS-Ø1507-1xMON-88017-3), MON 88017×59122 (MON-88017-3xDAS-59122-7)) pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council. (Doc. SANCO/11296/2013) (Legal Base: Article 7(3) and Article 19(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003)

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Vote: no opinion (161 votes in favour, 123 votes against, 68 abstentions)

Swedish statement (unofficial translation in English, SV original in Annex)

Marketing authorisation for the stacked maize lines
MON 89034×1507xMON88017x59122 and clones thereof and maize line MON89034x1507xNK603 for use in food and feed

The companies Dow AgroSciences Ltd and Monsanto Europe S. A. have applied for authorisation for food and feed containing or consisting of the GMO maize line

MON 89034×1507×MON88017×59122 and clones thereof and maize line MON89034×1507×NK603.
EFSA has assessed the rapeseed lines as safe for health and the environment and has expressed a favourable opinion on the request. Sweden agrees with EFSA’s assessment and votes in favour of the Commission’s proposed decision.

This position does not affect Sweden’s stance on the future decision on the cultivation of GMO-crops which tolerate the herbicide glufosinate-ammonium. That substance has very dangerous properties and is classified as reprotoxic in category IB, which means that it does not meet the requirement for authorisation according to the EU’s new Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 on plant protection products.

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Marknadsgodkännande av de staplade majslinjen
MON 89034×1507×MON88017×59122 och dess klyvningsprodukter samt majsli
jen MON89034×1507×NK603 för användning i livsmedel och foder

Företagen Dow AgroSciences Ltd och Monsanto Europe S. A. har ansökt om godkännande av livsmedel och foder som innehåller eller består av den genetiskt modifierade majslinjen
MON 89034×1507×MON88017×59122 och dess klyvningsprodukter samt majsli
jen MON89034×1507×NK603

EFSA har bedömt rapslinjerna som hälso- och miljösäkra och lämnat ett positivt yttrande över ansökan. Sverige delar EFSA:s bedömning och röstar för EU-kommissionens förslag till beslut.
Denna ståndpunkt påverkar inte Sveriges ställningstaganden i framtida beslut om odling av GMO-grödor som är toleranta mot ogräsmedlet glutinosinatammonium. Glutinosinatammonium har mycket allvarliga egenskaper och är klassificerat som reprotoxiskt i kategori 1B vilket innebär att det inte uppfyller kraven för godkännande under EUs nya växtskyddsmedelsförordning 1107/2009.