Dear Colleagues!

Austria thanks for the opportunity to submit a statement on the issue of CBD and other cannabis ingredients in cosmetic products. As far as the non-paper is concerned, the explanations in this document provide important clarifications with regard to the use of CBD and other cannabis ingredients in cosmetic products. Therefore, it is of great importance both for the cosmetic companies and for us as an authority that this "non-paper" is available as official information to all circles of public as soon as possible.

However, one of the essential prerequisites for the safe use of CBD and other cannabis ingredients in cosmetic products is its safety - which is repeatedly emphasized in this "NON-Paper"→ “Therefore, the use of CBD in cosmetics is allowed provided that the cosmetic product is safe for human health as required by Article 3 of the CPR.” So, we support the Commission issuing a mandate to the SCCS for a possible call for data/risk assessment, whereby in the case of insufficient data, a ban on the use of CBD should also be envisaged (see Novel Food).

As cosmetics and flavorings are increasingly used by entrepreneurs as an "easier alternative" for marketing CBD products, e.g. to circumvent food law, we support the Commission in achieving a permanent solution to the use of CBD in cosmetic products as soon as possible.

Best regards

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