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THE REPLY OF DG AGRI AVAILABLE IN DECIDE CIS MODULE

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Title of consultation:	DECIDE CIS Plant Protection Products/Commission Implementing Regulation amending Implementation Regulation (EU) No 540/2011, as regards the conditions of approval of the active substance glyphosate (SANTE/10903/2016)
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Comments of DG AGRI:

DG AGRI is of the opinion that both public health and animal health require consideration when taking decisions as the one proposed here.

We understand that pre-harvest use of glyphosate for weed controls is considered Good Agricultural Practices. We agree with that. However, certain Good Agricultural Practices may also involve pre-harvest use of glyphosate containing herbicides to control the time of harvest. Indeed, such practice can contribute to avoid or reduce mycotoxin contamination of the relevant crop. Therefore, such uses should remain possible, in particular in Member States where such practice is necessary.

The control of mycotoxin contamination down the food and feed chain is difficult and dilution is not allowed. The management of contaminated batches is not regulated; to avoid their use in the feed/food chain, a preventive approach should be preferred.