

### **Declaration of Vote from Sweden**

Re : The Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health, section General Food Law February 4, 2013 *Draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 432/2012 establishing a list of permitted health claims made on foods other than those referring to the reduction of disease risk and to children's development and health – SANCO/12712/2012 rev.3*

Sweden abstained from voting on the proposal due to problems with the health claim referring to the effect of fructose. According to the Swedish point of view, the proposed claim could encourage consumers to increase their consumption of refined sugars, which would be contradictory to current nutrition recommendations.