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**Subject: French ban on Bisphenol A (BPA) in food contact materials –  
Request for action under Article 18(2) of Regulation 1935/2004**

Dear [REDACTED]  
Dear [REDACTED]

I would like to refer to your above mentioned letter and thank you for sharing with us this update on the developments in the French legal proceedings.

In your letter you address the French BPA Law, which banned the manufacture, import, export and placing of the market of all food contact materials containing Bisphenol A.

Let me assure you that this matter continues to receive priority attention. The relevant Commission services continue their dialogue with the French authorities and those of the rest of Member States with the view to ensure that no fragmentation of the internal market and no violation of the free movement of goods occur within a legal framework that guarantees human health.

Concerning the use of BPA in food contact materials, the Commission takes into account all relevant information including the opinion of the European Food Safety Authority on the use of Bisphenol A, published on January 21, 2015, in order to provide the highest level of protection for consumers whilst aiming to ensure the effective functioning of the single market.

Concerning the timeframe, Commission will shortly publish an updated version of the draft Regulation for a four-week feedback period and thereafter aims to vote on the measure at a Standing Committee meeting in the autumn.

Yours sincerely,

cc. [REDACTED], [REDACTED] E2, DG SANTE