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Latest ahead of the vote tomorrow

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Dear colleagues,

These are the intentions to vote expressed today in Standing Committee on the renewal of the approval of Glyphosate. The actual vote is scheduled for tomorrow morning.

In favour: Against: Abstention: Not decided yet:

This means that the formal vote tomorrow will most likely be a "no opinion" (i.e. the "GMO situation"), unless a big MS changes its view and supports the draft renewal of approval.

A no-opinion vote tomorrow would give us three options:

- No action: the existing EU approval would expire on 30 June 2016. MS could issue national authorisations only "in emergency situations" for a maximum of 120 days under a safeguard mechanism. Residue limits could continue to include import tolerances - but to be confirmed with LS.
- Submitting a revised draft: however, it is difficult to see what can be revised, without losing the support of other MS.
- Convening the Appeal Committee: it is unlikely that the MS will position themselves differently unless they know that . Following the "no-opinion" at the Appeal Committee, COM would have to take a decision (adoption or no action).

Best,

