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Dear visitor,

On 25 October, EU Member States will vote on the European Commission's proposal to license the herbicide glyphosate for use in the EU after the current permit expires in December.

Through today's action, we wish to draw attention to this decision of the utmost importance; for EU farmers who rely on Glyphosate, the 26,000 workers in our industry and everyone involved in the world's most stringent and rigorous chemicals' safety approval process, and most importantly for Europe's 500+ Million consumers.

Consider the facts:

- More than 90,000 pages of evidence, 3,300 peer-reviewed studies, plus opinions of ECHA, EFSA, the World Health Organisation, not to mention regulatory authorities around the world – have confirmed Glyphosate is safe and support its re-approval.
- There is only one opinion that differs on the classification of Glyphosate, that of the IARC, which was misinterpreted and misrepresented and managed to undermine the benefits of the product and cast doubts on its safety.

"Europe has the safest food in the world", as underlined by Commissioners Andriukaitis, Hogan and Katainen. Farmers need a number of essential tools to provide us with that safe, affordable supply of food and Glyphosate is one of them.

If have any questions on today's action or would like to find out more about Glyphosate, please write to me at graeme.taylor@ecpa.eu.

Yours sincerely,

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