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Statement of the Slovak Republic

The Slovak Republic understands the need to adopt harmonized risk indicators as soon as possible, but anyway strongly disagrees with the introduction of the second indicator in the form it is proposed. The number of emergency authorizations is not risk-related; in the Slovak Republic the obligation to submit data on use of products authorized under Art. 53 of the Regulation 1107/2009 is listed directly in the decision on such authorization and it is strictly controlled. In some cases, the use is zero. The compromise for the second indicator could be found in the use of the number of emergency authorizations for products with unauthorized active substances or with substances that are candidates for substitution or their classification meets the cut - off criteria. In many cases emergency authorizations are granted for the products respected in the organic farming.