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6. Subject: Notification 2023/158/L

Draft law on the placing on the market of genetically modified organisms as or in products Detailed opinion of 30 June 2023, reference C(2023)4581

Dear Commissioner,

The 'Draft law on the placing on the market of genetically modified organisms as or in products' (hereinafter the 'notified draft') has been submitted to you by my services in the context of the notification procedure provided for in Directive (EU) 2015/1535.

The notified draft constitutes a measure transposing Directive 2001/18/EC and in particular Part C thereof.

Your services issued a detailed opinion and comments under Articles 5 and 6 of Directive (EU) 2015/1535 of 30 June 2023 with reference C(2023) 4581.

At this stage, the notified draft law has been submitted by the Luxembourg Government to the Chamber of Deputies. The legislative procedure is currently under way. The notified draft will be examined by one or more parliamentary committees, which may make amendments. In addition, the Chamber of Deputies can only vote on the entire text of the law if it is accompanied by the opinion of the Council of State. The Council of State may formulate formal objections and remarks which the Chamber must take into account. Finally, for a law to enter into forced in Luxembourg, it must first be promulgated by the Grand Duke.

The ongoing legislative procedure is likely to conclude in the second half of 2024.

In this legislative procedure, account will be taken of the reasoned opinion and the comments made by the European Commission.

Thus, reference will be made in Article 5 of the notified draft to the Annexes to Directive 2001/18/EC of the European



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Parliament and of the Council of 12 March 2001 on the deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms.

In addition, the definitions of the terms 'product' and 'placing on the market' will be adapted, and the deadlines provided for in the notified draft will be aligned with the text of the Directive.

With regard to the written report on official control, it is the intention of the national legislator to maintain the obligation for the competent authorities to provide the operator with a written report for any type of official control.

Finally, I undertake to communicate to you the final text once the draft law has been adopted by the Chamber of Deputies.

Please accept, Commissioner, assurances of my highest consideration.

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