# Fertilizers containing cadmium: marketing in Austria, Finland and Sweden (amend. Direct. 76 /116/EC)

1998/0026(COD) - 13/10/1998 - Council position

In its common position on the extension to 31.12.2001 of the decision to allow Austria, Finland and Sweden to prohibit the marketing within their territory of fertilizers containing cadmium, the Council adopted the Commission proposal as it stood. It did not, therefore, incorporate Parliament's sole amendment, which called for effective measures to solve the problem of cadmium in fertilizers for the whole Community by 31.12.2001. In a statement annexed to the text of the common position, the Commission announced its firm intention of identifying at Union level any risks to health and the environment from cadmium in fertilizers and making any appropriate proposals to manage these risks before 31.12.2001. It announced, in particular, that it would, with all due vigour, promote the progress of this study, the first results of which should be available by the end of the year 2000.