Genetically modified organisms GMOs: deliberate release into the environment (repeal. Directive 90/220/EEC)

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COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Decision establishing guidance notes supplementing Annex VII to Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the deliberate release in the environment of genetically modified organisms and repealing Council Directive 90/220/EEC. CONTENT: in the context of Directive 2001/18/EC on the deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms (GMOs), the Council adopted the following decisions: - Decision 2001/811/EC establishing guidance notes supplementing Annex VII of directive 2001/18/EC. Annex VII describes the objective to be achieved and the general principle to be followed in designing a monitoring plan to trace and identify any effects on human health or the environment resulting from the placing on the market of GMOs; - Decision 2001/812/EC establishing a "Summary Information Format" for the placing on the market of GMOs. Pursuant to the directive, the competent national authority must be notified prior to the placing on the market of GMOs. The notification comprises a summary of the relevant dossier, and the decision sets the format to be used for that summary; - Decision 2001/813/EC establishing a "Summary Notification Information Format", concerning the release into the environment of GMOs for purposes other than for placing on the market. The format should reflect the need to enable the fullest possible exchange of relevant information, presented in a standarised and easily comprehensible manner, without prejudice to the fact that the information thus provided cannot serve as the basis for an environmental risk assessment.