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Dear Petitioner,

Subject: Acrylamide in food


Thank you for your e-mail concerning acrylamide in food. Commissioner Andriukaitis has asked me to reply on his behalf.

The Commissioner shares your views that it is important that the presence of acrylamide in food is reduced. Therefore regulatory measures are currently under discussion which shall oblige food business operators to apply measures to reduce the presence of acrylamide in food. These measures have to result that the food placed on the market for the consumer contains a level of acrylamide which is below the level established by Regulation. The envisaged measures shall result in a continuous reduction of the presence of acrylamide in food.

The envisaged regulatory measures shall be strictly enforced by the competent authorities of the Member States to ensure that all concerned food business operators apply effectively the obligatory measures to reduce acrylamide in food.

I trust that the envisaged regulatory measures shall reduce the presence of acrylamide in food to ensure a high level of human health protection.

Yours sincerely,



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Head of Unit