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Cloning negotiations failed: Consumer interests recklessly ignored

Reacting to failure of negotiations last night on the EU 'Novel Food' regulation, Monique Goyens, Director General of BEUC, the European Consumers' Organisation commented:

"This is a shame. Europeans were very clear: they don't want cloning to be used for food purpose and yet, clearly, they have not been listened to."

"Food products derived from cloning bring no benefits to consumers. Obviously consumers' interests have been bypassed by the world trade concerns. Which interest were ministers representing exactly?"

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Note to editors: EU Ministers refused all the proposals from the European Parliament, including a mandatory labelling of food products derived from cloning.

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