## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

## HEALTH AND CONSUMERS DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

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## SUMMARY REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANT HEALTH 12 MARCH 2012

Chair: Harry Arijs

All Member States present, except Latvia (absent and represented by Luxembourg). Croatia was present as observer.

1. Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision amending Decision 2006/133/EC requiring Member States temporarily to take additional measures against the dissemination of *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* (Steiner et Buhrer) Nickle et al. (the pine wood nematode) as regards areas in Portugal, other than those in which it is known not to occur. (Doc. SANCO/10564/2012) (Legal Base: Article 16(3) of Council Directive 2000/29/EC) (Opinion of the Committee via the examination procedure).

The Commission presented for vote a draft Commission Implementing Decision for the prolongation of the existing pine wood nematode emergency measures for seven months, allowing the finalization of the ongoing overall revision of the existing legislation.

Vote: Favourable opinion by unanimity