

Turkey: Food Association withdraws application to import GM foods

The Federation of Food and Drink Industry Associations of Turkey (TGDF) announced that it has withdrawn an application to import 29 different kinds of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) for food production in view of public opinion and the unfavorable reactions emanating from non-governmental organizations (NGOs.)

The campaign “Yemezler” (“We do not buy it”) launched by Greenpeace Mediterranean played a significant role in the TGDF’s decision, with some 326,000 people participating in the initiative. The withdrawal of TGDF’s application represents a very significant step in the struggle against GMOs, as 2,000 members are affiliated with the organization, **Tarık Nejat Dinç**, who is in charge of Greenpeace Mediterranean’s Agriculture Campaign, told bianet.

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