

## France, Germany want right to buck European law, ban GM corn

France and Germany are to propose a new European law to allow member states to ban Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) even if their cultivation is authorized by the European Union. This week the EU's Council of Ministers voted to authorize the cultivation of TC1507 maize, despite the opposition of 19 countries, including France.

Thanks to abstentions by Germany, Belgium, Portugal and the Czech Republic, opponents of TC1507, which has been developed by the US's Pioneer corporation, failed to muster the necessary votes to block the move and the European Commission has announced that it is legally obliged to endorse it.

Spain, the UK, Sweden, Finland and Estonia voted in favor.

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