Caribbean nation St. Vincent suspends glyphosate imports

The Government of St Vincent and the Grenadines has placed an immediate suspension on the importation of pesticides that contain the acting ingredient glyphosate.

Acting on the advice of the Pesticides Board, the government said the chemical is found in pesticides such as Round-Up, Touchdown, and Glyphos.

According to a statement on [August 24th], the move is pending a technical review by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries, Rural Transformation, Industry, and Labor.

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Meanwhile, the Caribbean Agriculture Research and Development Institute, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture have been [asked] to provide support to the Ministry of Agriculture to conduct a full chemical analysis of the products.

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.... Agriculture Minister Saboto Caesar has called on all stakeholders to [abide] the suspension on the importation of the chemicals "in light of the nation's quest to promote a safe working environment and good agricultural health and food safety practices."

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