EU may block Austria's proposed glyphosate weed killer ban

Austria's government appeared to cast doubt [December 2] on whether a total ban on the controversial herbicide glyphosate would be implemented [in January 2020], despite MPs voting for the measure earlier [in 2019].

Parliament approved the ban in July, making Austria the first EU member state to do so, but the government has now warned of a possible legal clash with Brussels if it implements the ban.

According to a government briefing note sent to AFP, the European Commission did not formally veto the measure but sent Vienna a letter criticizing the way the ban was introduced and "left open the possibility of infringement proceedings".

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