Thailand Industry Minister threatens legal action to block glyphosate ban

Industry Minister Suriya Jungrungreangkit said on [Dec. 3] he would counter-sue any organizations that bring a threatened lawsuit against him over the countermanded farm chemicals ban.

Mr Suriya also declared no vote was needed on the resolution to override the previous panel's decision, because the members agreed on the wording.

Speaking at Government House, he said would have his lawyers prepare a legal response after a network of organizations supporting the ban on three toxic farm chemicals announced their plan to take legal action against him.

Mr Suriya was insistent that the meeting of the new National Hazardous Substances Committee that he chaired actually agreed on a new resolution on the farm chemical ban.

The minister announced after the meeting that the committee decided to lift the scheduled ban on the herbicide glyphosate and delay the ban on the herbicide paraquat and pesticide chlorpyrifos for six months.

Read full, original article: Suriya threatens countersuit on relaxed farm chemicals ban