Mexico indefinitely suspends 2024 glyphosate ban, saying it would ‘compromise agricultural productivity’

The Mexican Ministry of Economy, in collaboration with other agencies of the federal government, announced the postponement of the application of the decree that establishes the replacement of glyphosate in Mexican agriculture, scheduled for April 1. This measure is taken to safeguard the country’s agri-food security, since the conditions to replace its use have not yet been specified.

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The federal government continues to search for a broad-spectrum, low-toxicity herbicide alternative that can replace glyphosate without compromising agricultural productivity. This effort is carried out in coordination with the different aforementioned agencies.

The decree establishes the revocation and abstention of granting authorizations and permits for the import, production, distribution and use of glyphosate, as well as the promotion of sustainable and culturally appropriate practices in agriculture.

The Ministry of Economy reported that they continue working to find alternatives available in sufficient quantities, affordable in costs and associated with national marketing chains.

[Editor’s note: This article was originally published in Spanish and has been translated and edited for clarity.]

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