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Jean-Pierre Cot
Vice-President of the
Committee on Legal Affairs and Citizens'
Rights
European Parliament
Rue Wiert, 60
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Dear Mr Cot,

I am writing to you in the context of the vote to take place in the March plenary session on the Commission's proposal to extend the scope of Directive 85/374/EEC concerning liability for defective products to primary agricultural products.

UNICE is greatly concerned that the amendment adopted by the Committee on Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection goes far beyond the initial aim of the Commission's proposal.

UNICE is of the firm opinion that the current proposal to extend the scope of the directive to primary agricultural products should not be confused with the review of the directive for the year 2000.

We would therefore urge you to adopt as soon as possible the Commission's proposal as it stands, and to oppose any amendment aimed at altering the general regime put in place by Directive 85/374/EEC.

Yours sincerely,

(original signed by)
Dirk F. Hudig
Secretary General

