

To: Art. 4.1(b) AGRI
Subject: minutes Meeting of Csr Hogan with CORTEVA agriscience, Brussels, 22 May 2018

Short minutes of Meeting of Commissioner Hogan with representatives from CORTEVA agriscience (Agriculture Division of DowDuPont) Brussels, 22 May 2018

Participants:

Commission: Commissioner Phil HOGAN, Dermot RYAN (CAB-HOGAN), Art. 4.1(b) (AGRI), Art. 4.1(b) privacy and Art. 4.1(b) (AGRI).

Visitors: James C. Collings (Chief Operating Officer, Corteva/DowDuPont), Pierre Flye Sainte Marie (Corteva agriscience/DowDuPont), Art. 4.1(b) Art. 4.1(b) (Corteva agriscience/DuPont/Pioneer), Art. 4.1(b) (Corteva agriscience/DuPont), Neal Gutterson (Corteva/DuPont Pioneer)

Follow-up meeting of previous meeting with J.C. Collins.

The visitors wanted to explore ways in which the company could be more responsive to the needs of European stakeholders. They also wanted to hear the EU/the Commissioner's view and concerns on crop protection, agricultural biotechnology, digital agriculture, and development of new plant breeding approaches. Mr Collins stated that Corteva wants to be more present in the EU and wants to intensify contacts with the Commission.

The Commissioner stressed EU's science-based approach.

Mr Collins elaborated that first (non-food) maize products were bred with CRISPER and would be on the market in 2019. He stressed that the technique would not be a GM technique; the company would concentrate on the big needs as modifying oils to replace palm oil. He stated the need for a biological platform where NBTs could help.

The Commissioner stressed the importance of digitisation. He explained that new pests and diseases threatened especially southern European countries. Commissioner Hogan recommended to Corteva to make contact with the Commission's Joint Research Centre in Sevilla.

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