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STATEMENT OF SWEDEN

**Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on substantiation and communication of explicit environmental claims
(Green Claims Directive)**

Sweden believes that the compromise text in most parts achieves a good balance between strong consumer protection, effective protection of the environment and the interest of traders.

Sweden reiterates its concerns regarding the inclusion of micro enterprises within the scope of the directive. Sweden believes that microenterprises, and especially those in the food chain, lack sufficient administrative capacity, why further requirements would imply an unproportionate burden on this group.

In this context, Sweden also notes the adopted position of the European Parliament of 12 March 2024 in support of the Commissions' proposal to exempt microenterprises. Sweden will continue to argue for an exemption during the trilogues and trust that the incoming Presidency will work for an acceptable solution between the institutions.
