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Cyprus supports the new proposal for a Regulation on unfair trading practices in business-to-business relationships in the agricultural and food supply chain. The Regulation is an important addition to the current legislation (Directive 633/2019), providing the necessary legal tools to cooperating competent authorities that affects two or more MS when combating UTPs. The new proposal will facilitate exchange of information and more effective coordination of actions among Member States involved in such cases. Cyprus also recognizes the need of strengthening the position of farmers in the agrifood supply chain and that the new proposal will have positive effect in this effort.

More detailed comments will be provided by Cyprus in the context of the forthcoming meetings of the competent Working Party.