

SENATE OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC 13TH TERM

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RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 10th Session held on the 28th of April 2021

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability Towards a Toxic-Free Environment (Senate Print No. K 084/12, COM(2020) 667)

The Senate

I.

1. Supports

the new long-term vision for EU chemicals policy introduced by the Commission in the presented strategy;

2. Considers it important

to support particularly the development of sustainable and safe chemicals and their commercialisation, as well as research, development and deployment of low-carbon chemical and material production processes that will contribute to decarbonisation of chemical industry and achievement of objectives of the European Green Deal;

3. Agrees with the Government

that substantial changes to the current EU legal framework for chemicals are not necessary; attention should be paid particularly to appropriate implementation of existing rules and strict controls of compliance with these rules not only with products produced in the EU but mainly with products coming from third countries;

4. Appreciates

that the strategy is focused also on strengthening of the EU's strategic autonomy in the area of chemicals because the COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated that the limited number of suppliers for certain essential chemicals may pose risks, for example as regards the availability of medicinal products;

II.

Authorises

the President of the Senate to forward this Resolution to the European Commission.

Miloš Vystrčil sign manual President of the Senate

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