Question for written answer P-010493/2012 to the Commission Rule 117 Herbert Dorfmann (PPE)

Subject: Categorisation of steviol glycosides - restrictions in respect of essoblaten - wafer paper

The Official Journal of the European Union of 12.11.2011 sets maximum levels (330 mg / l or mg / kg) for the authorisation of steviol glycosides in the 'Fine bakery wares' sector. As restrictions or exceptions, only 'essoblaten - wafer paper' are specified.

In view of the above, will the Commission say:

- 1. Why is steviol glycoside approved only for essoblaten wafer paper and for no other bakery wares?
- 2. Is there a technical justification for this?
- 3. What explanation for this treatment is given to enterprises using steviol glycosides?
- 4. When does it intend to authorise other categories?