Health and Environment NGOs comment on Bisphenol A ban

NGOs respond to recent reports that the European Commission will ban the use of organic compound bisphenol A (BPA) in plastic baby bottles from 2011.

26 November 2010 - We welcome this first baby step that the European Commission has taken to ban bisphenol A in baby bottles - but this is not enough.

Bisphenol A is widespread in the environment and in us, and babies are already exposed to it in the womb. So we believe the European Commission should aim to take adult steps and ban this hormone disruptor from all food contact materials such as can linings, and ultimately from all other products relevant for human and environmental exposure, e.g. the use in cash receipts.

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