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## MONSANTO LISTS: AFP FILES A COMPLAINT, STATES FULL SUPPORT OF JOURNALISTS INVOLVED

Agence France-Presse has filed a complaint to the French Data Protection Authority, following the disclosure that the lobbying firm FleishmanHillard had compiled data about four AFP journalists, on behalf of the agrochemical company Monsanto (Bayer group).

AFP considers practices of this kind to be totally unacceptable and "fully support their journalists who work hard and objectively, every single day", said Global News Director Phil Chetwynd.

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