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## APPLICATION

Dear

In <u>Directive</u> (EU) 2015/412 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2015 «amending Directive 2001/18/EC as regards the possibility for the Member States to restrict or prohibit the cultivation of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) in their territory», the **Article 26c** «Transitional measures» added in Directive 2001/18/EC, gives the possibility to Member States to demand that the geographical scope of a notification/application submitted from 2 April 2015 until 3 October 2015, be adjusted.

In respect to the above legal basis, the Hellenic State demands altering the geographical scope of the notification/application for authorization of the genetic modification <u>Bt11</u> of Malze, by excluding the totality of the Hellenic Territory.

Please proceed to the foreseen legal actions. We are at your disposal for any further clarification on the subject.

Please accept my kind regards.

Sincerely Yours,



Prof. Ch. Kasimis
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