



REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS

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European Commission
Health and Consumers Directorate-General
Safety of the Food Chain
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Dear

Demand for the adjustment of the geographical scope for Maize GA21

According to Directive (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 and Article 26c thereof, the Republic of Cyprus demands that the geographical scope of *genetic modification of maize GA21* be adjusted by excluding the totality of its territory.

We kindly ask for this demand to be presented to the notifier/applicant and to the other Member States, as foreseen in Article 26c.

We remain at your disposal for any further clarification.

Please accept my sincere regards,

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Permanent Secretary
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment

