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## MINISTER OF THE ENVIRONMENT

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European Commission
Health and consumers Directorate
- General
Safety of the Food Chain
Biotechnology

Dear Sir/Madam.

In accordance with Article 26c paragraph 1 of the Directive (EU) 2015/412 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2015 amending Directive 2001/18/EC on the deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms as regards the possibility for the Member States to restrict or prohibit the cultivation of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) on their territory, Member State may demand that the geographical scope of a notification or an application submitted, or of an authorization granted, under the Directive 2001/18/EC or Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 before 2 April 2015 be adjusted.

Taking into account the above legal basis, the Republic of Poland demands altering the geographical scope of the notification/application for authorization of the genetic modification **Bt11** of Maize, by excluding the whole of the Polish territory.

We are at your disposal for any further information or clarification on the matter.

Yours sincerely,

Plotr Otawski