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Subject: Application for adjustment of geographical scope for authorised genetic modification MON810 of Maize

Dear

According to the **Article 26c** of the Directive (EU) 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 March 2001 on the deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms and repealing Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Member States have the possibility to demand adjustments to geographical scope of a granted authorisation.

Genetically modified maize (*Zea mays* L. line MON810) was authorised for placing on the market (including cultivation) with Commission Decision 98/294/EC of 22 April 1998, pursuant to Council Directive 90/220/EEC which was later replaced by Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 March 2001 on deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms and repealing Council Directive 90/220/EEC.

The authorisation given by the Commission Decision 98/294/EC expired on 18 April 2007, and an application for readmission (including products of MON 810 for cultivation) has been filed under Regulation 1829/2003/EC. Until a decision is reached, the aforementioned authorisation for cultivation of maize MON810 remains valid as "existing product".

Considering aforementioned legal basis, the Republic of Croatia is requiring adjustment of geographical scope of the existing authorisation of the genetic modification **MON810 of Maize**, by **excluding the entire territory** of the Republic of Croatia.

We are at your disposal for any further clarification on the subject.

Yours sincerely,

