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Food and Drug Administration  
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Hello from South Dakota and a farm south of Brookings.

I urge you to require testing and labeling of genetically engineered food. As practiced today, genetic engineering biotechnology is bad science working with big business for quick profits, using the public as guinea pigs. It violates the public good and is against the public will and aspirations, against the moral values of society and of the world community. It is currently unethical and exploitative.

It is urgent that an immediate moratorium be imposed on any further release or marketing of genetically engineered products, pending an independent public enquiry into the hazards and risks of genetic engineering biotechnology.

GE foods should be labeled so consumers may have a choice.

Precautionary testing of GMOs and foods derived from them makes good sense. But it must be done either by government or/and disinterested third parties. One cannot believe what the originators of GMOs report and should not be in the position of having to place any reliance on their claims.

I call to your attention a year 2000 book on this subject, GENETIC ENGINEERING; DREAM OR NIGHTMARE, by Dr. Mae-Wan Ho of the Open University, London, England. Surely you have a staff member who can read and understand this book and advise you accordingly.

Sincerely yours



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