

## EUROPEAN COMMISSION DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

Food and feed safety, innovation The Director

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Dear

Subject:

EC study on the status of novel genomic techniques

Thank you for the letter of 8 January 2020<sup>1</sup> where you share the comments of 23 value chain partners concerning the Council's request for the Commission to submit a study on the status of new genomic techniques under Union law and in light of the Court of Justice of the European Union's judgment (Case C-528/16).

I have read with interest your views on the issues that the study should explore and note the importance given to the Commission's study on new genomic techniques.

As you know, for the elaboration of the study, the Commission will gather contributions in a targeted consultation of the Member States and relevant stakeholders. The signatories of the letter are among the consulted stakeholders. I would strongly invite you to take this opportunity to provide your input to the consultation, with substantiated contributions and data, so that your views on this important topic can be taken into account.

Finally, I would like to note that only after finalisation of the study and based on its outcome, the Commission will consider what action, in any, needs to be taken.

Yours sincerely,



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