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Dear Dr Boet Glandorf,

REQUEST FOR WITDRAWAL OF NOTIFICATION TO IMPORT 281-24-236/3006-210-23 COTTON IN THE EU, IN ACCORDANCE WITH DIRECTIVE 2001/18: REF C/NL/04/01

Heavy-heartedly, I refer to our discussion over the phone on March the 7th, 2006, and request the withdrawal of notification C/NL/04/01 for the import of 281-24-236/3006-210-23 cotton, on the grounds of an overlapping of scope with application EFSA-GMO-NL-2005-16 -as currently interpreted by DG SANCO-.

I would like to use this opportunity to thank you for your understanding and help during the evaluation of notification C/NL/04/01 by the Bureau GGO and by EU Member States.

Yours sincerely,

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