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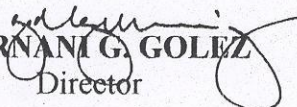
SUBJECT: **DECLARATION OF GMO CONTENT**

In view of the full implementation of the DA Administrative Order No. 8 Series of 2002 and Memorandum Circular No. 8, 11 and 12 Series of 2003 on July 1, 2004, importations of plants and plant products derived from the use of modern biotechnology and which are intended for direct use as food, feed or for processing and for planting shall be accompanied by a GMO declaration. The Plant Quarantine Service (PQS) shall ensure that all incoming regulated articles (GMO) shall be inspected and monitored.

In so doing, the PQS shall issue a copy of the standard "**DECLARATION OF GMO CONTENT**" form to be used for all incoming regulated articles (GMO). The "**Declaration of GMO Content**" form will be issued upon release of the Import Permit for all the importation that shall require an Import Permit (Annex III). However, for importations that will require only a Phytosanitary Certificate (PC) from the country of origin, a declaration for GMO content shall accompany the PC using the standard form or any other format. The GM declaration may be issued by any of the following: responsible officer from the country of origin, accredited laboratory, shipper or importer. The PQO at the port of entry shall evaluate the accompanying documents based on Annexes I, II, and III of Memorandum Circular Nos. 8, 11 and 12, conduct phytosanitary inspection and if everything is in order, will affix his/ her signature in the declaration.

Also attached are copies of the Memorandum Circular 8, 11 and 12 and the Annexes 1, 2 3. **Annex I** contains the *Approval Registry for the Importation of Regulated Articles for Direct Use for Food, Feed or Processing*. **Annex II** refers to the *Approval Registry for the Importation of Regulated Articles for Propagation*. **Annex III** is the list of *Regulated Articles for Importation for Direct Use Requiring a Declaration of GMO Content*.

For your proper guidance.

  
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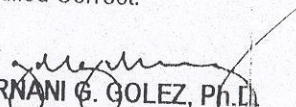


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**"ANNEX I"**  
**ADDENDUM**  
**APPROVAL REGISTRY FOR THE IMPORTATION OF REGULATED ARTICLES**  
**FOR DIRECT USE FOR FOOD, FEED, OR FOR PROCESSING**  
*(As of May 18, 2004)*

Transformation Event	Introduced Trait and Gene	Date Approved	Safety Assessment		Technology Developer	Other Countries with Similar Approval
			Food	Feed		
Cotton 531	Resistance to lepidopteran pests – Cry1Ac	Feb. 5, 2004	✓	✓	Monsanto Company	USA, Argentina, Mexico, China, Indonesia, India, Colombia, Australia and South Africa, European Union, Canada, Japan (food) USA, Argentina, Mexico, China, Indonesia, India, Colombia, Australia and South Africa, Canada, Japan (feed)

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"ANNEX I"

APPROVAL REGISTRY FOR THE IMPORTATION OF REGULATED ARTICLES  
FOR DIRECT USE FOR FOOD, FEED, OR PROCESSING  
(As of December 22, 2003)

Transformation Event	Introduced Trait and Gene	Date Approved	Safety Assessment		Technology Developer	Other Countries with Similar Approval
			Food	Feed		
Corn MON 810*	Resistance to corn borer Cry 1A(b) gene from <i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i>	Dec. 4, 2002	✓	✓	Monsanto Company	Argentina, Canada, Japan, South Africa, Switzerland, USA
Corn Bt 11	Insect protected, herbicide tolerant maize - Bt protein from <i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i> and PAT protein from <i>Streptomyces viridochromogenes</i>	July 22, 2003	✓	✓	Syngenta Seeds	Argentina, Australia, Canada, EU, Japan, Switzerland, United Kingdom, USA
Soybean 40-3-2	Resistance to herbicide, round-up - CP4 EPSPS from <i>Agrobacterium sp. strain CP4</i>	July 22, 2003	✓	✓	Monsanto Company	USA, UK, European Union, Netherlands, Canada, Mexico, Argentina, Japan, Denmark, Switzerland, Romania, Russia, Korea, Thailand, Taiwan, Czech Republic, Poland and Australia/New Zealand (food) USA, UK, European Union, Netherlands, Canada, Japan, Switzerland and Russia (Feed)
Corn NK 603	Glyphosate tolerance imparted by the CP4EPSPS coding sequence	Sept. 10, 2003	✓	✓	Monsanto Company	Canada, Japan, South Africa, USA, Taiwan, Russia, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand and Korea (for food/feed)
Corn MON 883	Cry3Bb1 for Resistance to the Corn rootworm, <i>Diabrotica sp.</i>	Oct. 7, 2003	✓	✓	Monsanto Company	Canada, Japan and USA (food/feed)
Corn TC 1507/CRY1F	Resistance to certain lepidopterous pests in maize - Cry1F and PAT genes	Oct. 7, 2003	✓	✓	Pioneer Hi-Bred	USA, Japan, Canada, South Korea and South Africa (for food); USA, Japan, Canada, and South Africa (for feed)
Corn DBT 48	Lepidopteran resistance, phosphinotricin tolerance -Cry1Ac	Oct. 22, 2003	✓	✓	Monsanto Company	USA, Canada, New Zealand, Australia and other members of European Union (food/feed)
Canola RT 73	Glyphosate (Roundup) Tolerance -CP4EPSPS	Oct. 22, 2003	✓	✓	Monsanto Company	USA, UK, European Union, Canada, Mexico, Japan and Australia/ New Zealand (food); USA, Canada, European Union, Japan and Mexico (feed)



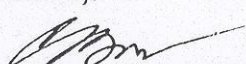
Corn Bt 176	Insect protected – Bt protein from <i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i> and PAT protein from <i>Streptomyces violachromogenes</i>	Oct. 24, 2003	✓	✓	Syngenta Seeds	USA, Canada, Japan, Switzerland, South Africa, EU, UK, Denmark, the Netherlands, Australia, New Zealand, (food); USA, Japan, Switzerland, South Africa, EU (feed)
Corn GA 21	Modified EPSPS for tolerance to glyphosate	Nov. 20, 2003	✓	✓	Monsanto Company	Canada, Japan, USA, Australia, Korea (food/feed);
Corn DLL25	Phosphinotricin (PPT) herbicide tolerance specifically glufosinate ammonium	Nov. 20, 2003	✓	✓	Monsanto Company	USA, Argentina, Canada and China
Corn T25	Phosphinotricin (PPT) herbicide tolerance specifically glufosinate	Dec. 5, 2003	✓	✓	Bayer CropScience	USA, Canada, Argentina, Japan, Taiwan, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, the E.U., Bulgaria and Russia (food); USA, Canada, Argentina, Japan, South Africa, the EU, Bulgaria, UK, Switzerland (feed)
Cotton 1445	Tolerance to roundup herbicide	Dec. 5, 2003	✓	✓	Monsanto company	USA, Argentina, Mexico, Australia and South Africa (food and feed)
Cotton 15985	Resistance to lepidopteran pests	Dec. 5, 2003	✓	✓	Monsanto company	USA. and Australia (food and feed)
Potato Bt 6 (RBBT02-06) and SPBT02-05)	Resistance to Colorado potato beetle	Dec. 5, 2003	✓	✓	Monsanto company	USA, Japan and Canada (food/feed)
Potato RBMT 15-101, SEMT 15-02 & SEMT 15-15	Resistance to Colorado potato beetle; resistance to potato virus Y (PVY)	Dec. 22, 2003	✓	✓	Monsanto Company	Japan, Australia, and Canada

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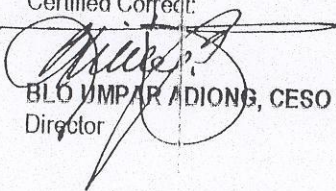
**"ANNEX II"**

**APPROVAL REGISTRY FOR THE IMPORTATION OF  
REGULATED ARTICLES FOR PROPAGATION  
(As of December 22, 2003)**

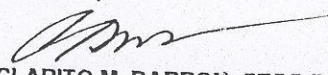
Transformation Event	Introduced Trait and Gene	Date Approved	Safety Assessment			Technology Developer	Other Countries with Similar Approval
			Food	Feed	Environment		
Corn MON 810	Resistance to corn borer (cry 1A(b) gene from <i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i> )	December 4, 2002	✓	✓	✓	Monsanto Company	Argentina, Canada, EU, Japan, South Africa, USA

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**"Annex III"**

**List of Regulated Articles for Importation for Direct Use Requiring a Declaration of GMO Content**

Heading No.	H.S. Code	Product Description	Import Requirements	
			BPI	BAI
<b>Chapter 6 Live trees and other plants; bulbs, roots and the like; cut flowers and ornamental foliage</b>				
06.01		Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns, and rhizomes, dormant, in growth or in flower; chicory plants and roots other than roots of heading No. 12.12		
	0601.10 00	-- Potato tubers only	IP, PC	
	0601.20 00	-- Chicory plants and roots	IP, PC	
06.03	0603.10 00	Fresh cut carnation and flower buds	PC	
<b>Chapter 7 Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers</b>				
07.01		Potatoes, fresh or chilled.		
	0701.10 00	-- Seed	IP, PC	
	0701.90 00	-- Other	IP, PC (for processing)	
07.02	0702.00 00	Tomatoes, fresh or chilled.	IP, PC	
07.05		Chicory, fresh or chilled.		
	0705.21 00	-- Chicory -- Witloof chicory ( <i>Cichorium intybus var. foliosum</i> )	IP, PC	
07.06		Salad beetroot, fresh or chilled.		
	0706.90 00	-- Other (salad beetroot)	IP, PC	
07.09		Other vegetables, fresh or chilled.		
	0709.90 90	-- Other ( <i>Only for Bell Peppers and Squash</i> )	IP, PC	
07.10		Vegetables (uncooked or cooked by steaming or boiling in water), frozen		
	0710.10 00	-- Potatoes	IP, PC	
	0710.40 00	-- Sweet Corn	IP, PC	
	0710.90 00	- Mixtures of vegetables	IP, PC	



Heading No.	H.S. Code	Product Description	Import Requirements	
			BPI	BAI
07.14		Sweet potatoes and tubers with high starch or inulin content, fresh, chilled frozen or dried, whether or not sliced in the form of pellets; sago pith		
	0714.20 00	-- Sweet Potatoes	IP, PC	
<b>Chapter 8 Edible fruit and nuts, peel of citrus fruit or melons</b>				
08.07		Melons including watermelons and papaws (papayas), fresh.		
	0807.11 00	-- Melons (including Watermelons)	IP, PC	
	0807.19 00	-- Other	IP, PC	
	0807.20 00	-- Papaws (papayas)	IP, PC	
<b>Chapter 10 Cereals</b>				
10.05		Maize (Corn)		
	1005.10 00	-- Seed	IP, PC	
	1005.90 00	-- Other	PC	
	1005.90 10	-- Popcorn	IP, PC	
	1005.90 90	-- Other	PC	
<b>Chapter 11 Products of the milling industry; malt; starches; inulin; wheat gluten</b>				
11.02		Cereal flours other than of wheat and meslin.		
	1102.20 00	--Maize (Corn) flour	PC	IP,PC*,CR
11.03		Groats and meal:		
	1103.13 00	-- Of maize (corn)	PC	IP,PC*,CR
11.04		Other worked grains (for example, hulled, pearled, sliced or kibbled):		
	1104.23 00	-- Of maize (corn)	PC	PC*,CR
11.05		Flour, meal, powder, flakes, granules and pellets of potatoes		
	1105.10 00	-- Flour, meal and powder	PC	IP,PC*,CR
	1105.20 00	-- Flakes, granules and pellets	PC	IP,PC*,CR
11.06		Flour, meal and powder of the dried leguminous vegetables		
	1106.20 00	-- Of sago or roots or tubers of heading No. 07.14	PC	
	1106.30 00	-- Of the products of Chapter 8	PC	



Heading No.	H.S. Code	Product Description	Import Requirements	
			BPI	BAI
11.08		Starches		
	1108.12 00	-- Maize (corn) starch	PC	IP,PC*,CR
	1108.13 00	-- Potato starch	PC	IP,PC*,CR
<b>Chapter 12</b>	<b>Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit; industrial or medicinal plants; straw and fodder</b>			
12.01	1201.00 00	Soya beans, whether or not broken.	PC	IP,PC*,CR
12.04	1204.00 00	Linseed, whether or not broken.	PC	IP,PC*,CR
12.05	1205.00 00	Rape or colza seeds, whether or not broken.	PC	IP,PC*,CR
12.07		Other oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, whether or not broken		
	1207.20 00	-- Cotton seeds	IP, PC	IP,PC*,CR
12.08		Flours and meals of oil seed or oleaginous fruits, other than those of mustard.		
	1208.10 00	-- Of soya beans	PC	IP,PC*,CR
12.09		Seeds, fruits and spores, of a kind used for sowing.		
		-- Beet seed	IP, PC	
	1209.10 00	-- Sugar beet seed	IP, PC	
	1209.91 00	-- Vegetables seeds ( <i>Only for Squash and Tomato</i> )	IP, PC	
	1209.99 00	-- Other ( <i>Only for Tobacco Seeds</i> )	IP, PC	
12.12	1212.91 00	-- Sugar beet, fresh, chilled, frozen, whether or not ground	PC	
<b>Chapter 23</b>	<b>Residues and wastes from the food industries; prepared animal fodder</b>			
23.02		Bran, sharps and other residues, whether or not in the form of pellets, derived from the sifting, milling or other working of cereals or of leguminous plants.		
	2302.10 00	-- Of maize (corn)	PC	IP,PC*,CR



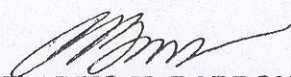
Heading No.	H.S. Code	Product Description	Import Requirements	
			BPI	BAI
23.03		Residues of starch manufacture and similar residues, beet pulp, bagasse and other waste of sugar manufacture, brewing or distilling dregs and waste, whether or not in the form of pellets		
	2303.10 00	-- Residues of starch manufacture and similar residues	PC	IP,PC*,CR
	2303.20 00	-- Beet-pulp, bagasse and other waste of sugar manufacture	PC	IP,PC*,CR
23.04	2304.00 00	Oil cake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of soya bean oil.	PC	IP,PC*,CR
23.06		Oil cake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of vegetable fats or oils, other than those of heading No. 23.04 or 23.05		
	2306.10 00	-- Of cotton seeds	PC	IP,PC*,CR
	2306.20 00	-- Of linseed	PC	IP,PC*,CR
	2306.41 00	-- Of rape or colza seeds	PC	IP,PC*,CR
	2306.70 00	-- Of maize (corn) germ	PC	IP,PC*,CR

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Legend: IP – import permit  
PC – phytosanitary certificate  
PC\* - Same phytosanitary certificate required by the BPI  
CR – certificate of registration