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To whom it concern

Agrochemical companies cannot be trusted to self-assess the safety of GM foods as they have an appalling record of manipulating data to promote dangerous products.

Gene editing techniques have been found to make genetic changes that could never occur in nature and to result in widespread genetic damage that often goes undetected by GM developers.

I am deeply concerned that FSANZ has relied on advice from scientists with serious conflicts of interest, to conclude these new GM foods pose no greater risks than existing foods. Those seeking to commercialise GM plants, animals and microbes should play no role in deciding how - or even whether - foods derived from them should be regulated.

The proposed changes would make Australia one of very few countries in the world to allow genetically modified animal products into our food chain with no regulation or labelling. This would put us at odds with our international trading partners, which FSANZ admits "may have a significant impact on trade". The Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, an international agreement signed by 166 governments worldwide, and the UN's food standards body Codex Alimentarius agree that all GM techniques differ from conventional breeding and that pre-market safety assessments are essential before GM organisms are used in food.

I do not consent to any Genetic Modification to any of our food crops.

GM Foods have the ability to cross pollinate with conventional crops & the outcomes are unknown. The sole purpose of GM Food manufacturing is simply a commercial tool to enable the "theft" of traditional seed stock from farmers who have been breeding seed through natural selection for centuries. With the introduction of GM seeds & the promotion of Chemical farming to replace traditional farming these same century old seed lines will be lost to these same farmers to be replaced with GM seeds of which the Farmer must purchase & is not allowed to keep any of these seeds for re-planting. Big Agri's control through this concept will further entrap these prior mostly organic farmers into a lifetime of slavery with no way to return to their chosen farming practices. This concept has already ruined many societies. India is a very good example. It has turned India into a Country that used to be mostly self independent farmers who grew a wide multitude of diverse crops , into a country

now reliant on Big AGri in conjunction with GM Seeds & Ag Chemicals & Synthetic fertilizers with an almost monoculture of very specific cereal crops that are now producing less return in profit for each individual farmer's family than before. This GM concept is absolutely a model for the Big Corporations to gain more control & profit for their own coffers at the expense of those actually farming the land. It is wrong, it is corrupt and it must stop. All GM food technology should not be allowed>Full stop, A return to traditional farming, with organic approaches & a return to independent plant breeding from the farmer should be returned. Also all the traditional seeds taken from these breeders should be returned.

Mother nature is not something that anyone should be allowed to muck with. Labs are not how "nature" has evolved! We the "human" race has evolved & yes we can manipulate & create many wonderful things through engineering & making new products. But & here is the big " but" we should always , always ask ourselves, just because we can, does it mean, we should?

Plastics are one such material we have created & now we have polluted our own world with it in such a way that our environment may well never be rid of it? Space travel is another, we can- but should we? To what expense will our Outer atmosphere's pay with all the "space junk" we are & have already "dumped" out there.

Stop messing with something that is not broken, stop manipulating foods to be Herbicide resistant, stop coating all seeds with Herbicides & Insecticides that as the plant grows these toxic chemicals become part of the plant. Why? Why does big Agri do this. PROFIT, not because it improves the nutrition of the food.. How can it? You are allowing these companies to increase systemic Insecticides & Herbicides year on year. There can only be a detrimental effect on all our health from allowing these practices to continue & yet continue they do. Our health is suffering, our traditional farmers are all sicker & further in debt than ever before & these big Agri companies get bigger & bigger at the common persons expense.

Shame on all of you, for always looking the other way.

Poisonous food should never have to be a choice. All food should be Healthy. You have the power to make this happen, stop this utter absolute madness. Good healthy food should be a right & something we should all have access to. We should not have to be looking at labels to see which meat or plant was grown in a lab with additional extra GM bits and bobs added. Good bloody gracious what a bloody mess the Human race has become.

Yours sincerely,

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