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From: The Office of TRH The Prince of Wales and The Duchess of Cornwall

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24th November, 2008

Dear Mr. Niessner,

The Prince of Wales has asked me to thank you for your recent letter, and for sending him the jars of honey from your own hives.

His Royal Highness greatly appreciates all the letters of support, like yours, that he has received from concerned individuals both in this country and overseas, following his comments on the impact of genetically modified crops.

The Prince is a great supporter of the work beekeepers do to protect and promote the honey bee, and he is grateful that so many people have taken the trouble to write to him; it is extremely heartening to know that His Royal Highness's views are properly understood by so many people.

I thought that you might be interested to see the enclosed copy of the text of the Sir Albert Howard Memorial Lecture delivered by The Prince of Wales, via video link to India, on 2nd October, in which His Royal Highness sets out, in more detail, his reasons for believing that GM technology is probably not the right way to proceed.

The Prince of Wales has asked me to thank you, once again, for your kind and encouraging words of support, and to send you his best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Claudia Holloway

Mr. Dietmar Niessner