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Commissioner for Agriculture and Food

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Dear Mr Vandamme,

I would like to thank you for your email of 24 January 2025, which included a joint position paper from 72 organisations advocating for sustainable protein diversification. This position paper is particularly timely as it coincides with the Commission's Vision for agriculture and food that was published on 19 February 2025.

In this initiative, the Commission commits to deliver a plan aiming at reducing the EU long-standing dependency on imported plant-based protein. The plan will be based on a holistic approach to the entire agri-food system considering both production and consumption, and present actions to ensure the long-term competitiveness, sustainability, profitability, and attractiveness of the sector. It will, in particular, focus on fostering domestic production of plant-based protein and diversifying imports of plant-based protein to enhance EU food security.

Thank you for your valuable contributions. I look forward to our continued collaboration to advance these key issues.

Yours sincerely,

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