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Dear Commissioner, dear Janusz,

I very much hope this letter finds you in good health!

As you might be aware, the Chair of the COM AGRI Committee Norbert Lins already contacted you on behalf of most political groups last Thursday. The AGRI Committee raised a question regarding the prolongation of the adoption of the delegated acts and RPS measures which are currently under preparation.

The Committee asked to suspend all non-urgent delegated acts but many of the delegated acts currently under negotiation are indispensable for the implementation of the Organic regulation. As the entry into force of the organic regulation is already foreseen for January 2021, time is running short.

Due to the ongoing Corona outbreak all the institutions had to significantly modify their working methods and physical meetings are not possible for an unpredictable period of time. Even though more meetings would be needed to further discuss some of the delegated acts. My impression is that the same is the case for some important implementing acts, which you are negotiating with the Council.

The implementation of the Organic regulation is already foreseen for January 2021. This tight time schedule might have the consequence that we adopt a regulation without the needed reflection. Therefore, I would like to ask you, Mr Commissioner, in my function as the rapporteur of this dossier to take a prolongation of the period until the entry into force into consideration.

I would like to be clear, a prolongation shouldn't be used to change the spirit of the basic act. The contrary is the case, as I already detected some drafting which need clarification. Especially some agreed texts e.g. on plant reproductive material and heterogeneous material or on products and substances not permitted for use are not well covered by the draft delegated acts and need further discussion and fine-tuning.



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From my perspective at least half a year, maybe even better one another year would be reasonable, as we have no information when we can resume our work in our offices.

Yours sincerely,

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