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Food chain: stakeholder and international relations
Director

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Dear Dr.ssa Ferri,

Subject: EU-US Food Safety Systems Recognition exercise

I would like to convey my appreciation to you for the cooperation of the Italian Ministry of Health as well as the other competent authorities in the EU-US Food Safety Systems Recognition exercise.

As you are aware, this is a very complex project which will bring the possibility of significant benefits to exporters of food from the EU to the US. As well as simplifying the process of entry of products into the US, it will reduce the burden on producers by reducing the frequency of FDA audits in their establishments.

To demonstrate the integrity of our EU Food Safety system, we depend on the cooperation of those Member States that volunteered to host the FDA and to demonstrate their implementation of the EU food safety legislation. We are therefore grateful to Italy for the excellent cooperation with DG SANTE and the FDA in the preparation and hosting of this in-country visit. Please pass on our appreciation to your colleagues for their contribution to the successful hosting of this visit.

We will of course keep you updated on progress in this exercise.

Yours sincerely,

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