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Dear President Clinton:

The recent approval by the Food and Drug Administration of the use of radiation to kill bacteria and extend the shelf life of foods is appallingly premature.

President Clinton, the health effects of irradiation have not yet been adequately studied. Many scientists have pointed to possible dangers which they believe must be assessed very thoroughly before consumers use irradiated foods.

And many consumers, President Clinton, are fearful of the unknown harm they may do to themselves and their families if they consume irradiated foods.

I urge you, President Clinton, to call on the FDA to rescind its approval and encourage a great deal more research on irradiation of foods.

Sincerely,

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