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Secretary Donna Shalala  
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200 Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20201

Dear Secretary Shalala:

I am concerned about weakening of all labeling laws. Specifically labeling requirements for irradiated foods being currently considered by the Food and Drug Administration. I believe that it is my right to know if the food I am eating has been irradiated.

Radiation causes food products to change chemically. For this reason all irradiated foods should be labelled in a significant and prominent location on the label. All foods that have been irradiated but are sold by bulk need to have a prominent poster display at the site of the food bin.

All food is required by law to be labelled and all labels need to be complete, honest, and not misleading.

Please defend the consumers right to know all about the foods they buy and hence eat.

Sincerely,



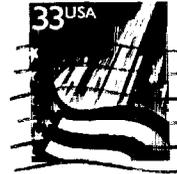
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