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Dear Ms. Henney:

I am writing to urge you to follow the lead of the European Union and ban animal uses of growth-promoting antibiotics used in human medicine as soon as possible.

From what I have read and heard the use of these antibiotics in livestock, chickens, and pigs has been linked to the emergence of antibiotic-resistant diseases. This could lead to a disasterous situation in the future for many people.

If this is true an immediate ban is very important.

Sincerely yours,

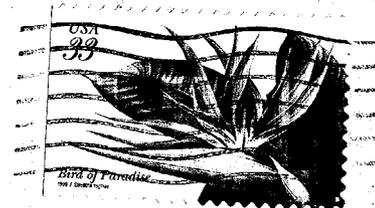
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