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Dear Jane 73 Henney JAN 25 00:08

I am writing this letter to urge the Food & Drug Administration to ban the use of human antibiotics to make live-stock grow faster.

The European Union has already acted, banning all growth promoting uses of antibiotics that have a role in human medicine, but the F. & D. Adm. is dragging its feet. Producers are creating conditions where bacteria can quickly develop resistance to drugs. When this

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happens - one strain of salmonella is now resistant to five antibiotics - doctors have fewer tools to combat human disease.

In June the "World Health Organization" repeated its call for the termination or rapid phasing out of the use of antimicrobials (which include antibiotics) for growth promotion. They are used for treatment of humans.

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