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DEAR SECRETARY SHALALA:

I AM WRITING TO EXPRESS MY CONCERN ABOUT THE POSSIBLE WEAKENING OF LABELING REQUIREMENTS FOR IRRADIATED FOOD THAT IS BEING CONSIDERED BY THE FDA.

I STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT IT IS MY RIGHT TO KNOW IF THE FOOD I EAT HAS BEEN TREATED WITH RADIATION.

FOOD PRODUCTS UNDERGO CHEMICAL CHANGES WHEN EXPOSED TO RADIOACTIVE ISOTOPES.

FOODS THAT HAVE BEEN TREATED SHOULD BY LAW BE SO LABELED PROMINENTLY EITHER ON THE PACKAGE OR BULK DISPLAYS; HONESTLY AND NOT MISLEADING TO THE CUSTOMER.

I HOPE THAT YOU WILL DEFEND THE CUSTOMERS RIGHT TO KNOW IN THIS IMPORTANT DECISION MAKING PROCESS.

SINCERELY

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