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**Subject:** RE: Letter from Dutch Minister of Agriculture to the Dutch Parliament - research on glyphosate and Parkinson's disease

Dear 5.1.2.e

That's clear, and agree. And indeed, let's see how things develop from there.

Kind regards, Ingrid

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**Van:** 5.1.2.e <5.1.2.e> @efsa.europa.eu>  
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**Onderwerp:** RE: Letter from Dutch Minister of Agriculture to the Dutch Parliament - research on glyphosate and Parkinson's disease

Dear Ingrid

Thanks for your reply!

As for the RIVM study, I was mainly thinking of the revision of the protocol, as we will be doing. Nothing more for the time being. And let's see how things will develop.

I hope this clarifies my (rather general!) statement.

I let 5.1.2.e take the rest of the message.

Have a nice day

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**From:** Becks-Vermeer, dr. I.T.M. (Ingrid) <5.1.2.e> @ctgb.nl>  
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Dear 5.1.2.e

Sorry for my rather late response; a lot of things ask for my attention currently.

Thanks a lot for your feedback on the meeting with prof. Bloem.

You hope to find Ctgb on board. May I ask which role you have in mind?

As you probably know, in the Netherlands the RIVM is working on development of methodologies, guidances, etc.

Ctgb is of course contributing to this, but our role is a modest one: advising/reviewing based on our knowledge and experience and checking the feasibility.

With regard to the document sent by 5.1.2.e

I will send it to the ministry of agriculture today, with the request to inform the minister of agriculture (you know that the Dutch government is demissionair, elections in about a week).

For your information: on our request the minister of agriculture and the minister of environment (responsible for the policy on biocides) have contributed financially to the reorganization at Ctgb, including a slight increase in capacity of our green team.

And I think you will also ask COM to put this on the agenda of the EU Council?

Kind regards,  
Ingrid

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**Van:** 5.1.2.e <5.1.2.e> @efsa.europa.eu>

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**Onderwerp:** RE: Letter from Dutch Minister of Agriculture to the Dutch Parliament - research on glyphosate and Parkinson's disease

Dear Ingrid

Today we EFSA and SANTE met prof. Bloem.

Very positive and constructive atmosphere. Very reasonable person.

SANTE clarified that a renewal period for G for 5 years would not allow for inclusion of new evidence from the ongoing studies, as the resubmission should start in 2 years max (and the studies would need longer time to be concluded).

In addition, there's always the chance to use art. 21 in case of new evidence.

EFSA and SANTE clarified the inaccuracies reported in the papers/letters he circulated (e.g. academia studies not considered, missing studies).

We proposed to collaborate (e.g. being in each other's project steering committee) and this was taken very positively.

I will meet him again soon to discuss and develop collaboration further.

While waiting to see the protocol of the RIVM study.

I hope we can have CTGB on board, as you would be the perfect liaison as competent authority.

I take the chance of this feedback to ask if you need any clarifications with regard to 5.1.2.e message: actually we believe that spreading the info as much as possible will be beneficial for us as well as for the MSs.

Please do not hesitate to come back to me or to 5.1.2.e if needed.

Thanks

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Dear Ingrid

Thank you for sharing the letter that 5.1.2.e forwarded to me.

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**Oggetto:** Letter from Dutch Minister of Agriculture to the Dutch Parliament - research on glyphosate and Parkinson's disease

5.1.2.e

As explained today, the Dutch Minister of Agriculture will ask RIVM to start scientific research on the possible relation between glyphosate and Parkinson's disease. I've attached the letter, it is in Dutch. I've marked the relevant paragraph in yellow, on page 4.

The text says that the Minister will request RIVM to involve EFSA and Ctgb in the (development of the) research protocol, so that it will fit in the scientific standards and methods used in EU, safeguarding that the results of the research will be of direct use.

The attached letter (and a few annexes) is publicly available:  
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Kind regards, Ingrid

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