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The Director-General

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Mr. Guus Pastoor,
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**Subject: Testing for Cadmium levels in Brown Crab exported to
People's Republic of China**

Dear Mr. Pastoor,

Thank you for your letter. We looked into the matter and it appears that this file is dealt with by Unit TRADE/D/3 dealing with the Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures in bilateral and regional trade agreements. As a consequence, we will forward your letter to this Unit with the request to provide you with an update on the file.

I look forward to our continued cooperation and invite you to send us well-targeted recommendations representing all stakeholders' opinions and adopted by consensus. An issue raised in a Working Group, as this is the case in this letter, should be presented to the General Assembly for an adoption by consensus, and not be sent directly to the Commission.

Should you have any further question on this reply, I invite you to contact Ms. Pascale Colson, coordinator of the Advisory Councils (pascale.colson@ec.europa.eu; +32 2 29 56273).

Yours sincerely,

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Acting Director-General