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Dear Sir/Madam

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Greetings from Iran!

Reference to Notifications No. 2017-142 dated 13 December 2017 and No. 2017-087 dated 8 September 2017, I would like to inform you that Research is exempted from the Islamic Republic of Iran's Biosafety Law. According to Article 10 of the law,

“Laboratory and green house researches of LMOs and the issues related to pharmaceuticals and their derivatives that have human use are exempted from the scope of this Law”

Also, according to the last paragraph of Article 5 of the law,

“All real and legal entities who have carried out field trials and have the intention to introduce living modified organisms ... are obliged to prepare identification documents of that living organism and pursuant to article 4(c) apply for a permit from the above mentioned bodies. After receiving scientific documents related to the risk assessment reports prepared by the applicant, the administrative bodies should declare their reasonable and written decisions for approving or rejecting the application within a maximum of 3 months.”

With my best personal wishes.

Sincerely yours;

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