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GREEN PARTY CALLS FOR BAN ON GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOODS AND CROPS AND SETS UP GE-FREE FUND

APRIL 1999

Dr. Joan Russow, the National leader of the Green Party of Canada has just returned from an international conference in Delhi where the participants called for a global ban on genetically engineered foods and crops. While deep concern is expressed throughout the world with GE foods and crops, the Canadian government is funding proponents traveling across the country promoting GE foods and crops., and is boasting that Canada has more trial sites of genetically engineered foods and crops than the whole of the European Union.

For too long the dialogue around genetically engineered foods and crops has been about the “right to know” not about the right to have genetically engineered-free food, and the right to have crops that do not destroy the environment. Given the unattended consequences of genetically engineered foods and crops, and the global commitment to the precautionary principle it becomes an imperative to institute a complete ban on genetically engineered foods. and crops because there is sufficient scientific evidence emerging to justify the banning and the immediate removal of the food off the shelves.

“labeling does not address the equity and the environmental issues and it does not communicate the urgency of the issue” We are living in a wake of corporate/government negligence from previous harmful substances that were once deemed safe for human health and the environment says Russow.. .

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Since 1994 the Canadian government has approved genetically engineered foods such as tomatoes, corn, potatoes, squash, canola and soy; and since 1998 Canada has had about 4,400 trial sites for genetically engineered foods and crops across Canada.

The Green Party has continually called for banning, and was responsible for the Biodevastation Declaration (St Louis, July 1998, see enclosed) and the Global Ban Resolution (Delhi, March 1999, see enclosed) as well as for a petition calling for banning which was placed on the floor of the House of Commons on December 2, 1998.

April 16 -30, 1999 has been designated as a Global days of Action Against Genetically Engineered foods and crops.

A copy of the Declaration that was adopted in principle at an international conference held in St Louis July 1998, and updated at the Biodevastation II Conference in India.(March, 1999) and a copy of the Global Ban Resolution are enclosed.

The Green Party of Canada set up the Green Party of Canada GE-free food fund. to raise money for the Ban Genetic Engineering Foods and Crops campaign.

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**APRIL 19 -30 GLOBAL DAYS OF ACTION ☐ AGAINST GENETICALLY ENGINEERED
FOODS AND CROPS**

GLOBAL RESOLUTION CALLING FOR BANNING

(i) A global ban on genetically engineered foods and crops

(ii) A global ban on the patenting of life forms

**(iii) An end to the exploitation of the knowledge of farmers, peasants and indigenous
peoples**

•**TO BAN GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOODS AND CROPS, THE HUMAN GENOME DIVERSITY PROJECT, TERMINATOR GENE AND EXPLOITATION OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES FOR PRIVATE PROFIT**

•**TO INSTITUTE A FAIR AND JUST TRANSITION PROGRAM FOR AFFECTED FARMERS AND COMMUNITIES**

MINDFUL THAT;

THE PRECAUTIONARY PRINCIPLE affirms that where there is a threat to human health or to the environment, the lack of full scientific certainty shall not be used as a reason for postponing measures to prevent the threat. The precautionary principle has long been a tenet of international customary law and as such is required to be integrated into state law.

THE REVERSE ONUS PRINCIPLE means that where there is a reasonable apprehension that a process or product may pose a significant threat to human health or to the environment, the onus of proof is on the proponent to establish that the product or process is safe, and serves demonstrable public needs, rather than on the opponents to demonstrate harm. Many nations have also undertaken to adhere to this principle.

THE PREVENTION OF DISASTERS PRINCIPLE affirms that extreme care should be

taken to prevent consequences that are likely to be unexpected, possibly long-term, and thus difficult to determine through tests. At recent international conferences, the member states of the United Nations have committed themselves to observe the Prevention of Disasters Principle including both natural human caused (anthropogenic) disasters.

THE PREVENTION OF TRANSFER TO OTHER STATES OF HARMFUL SUBSTANCES ensures that substances and activities that are harmful to human health or that cause environmental destruction will not be transferred to other states.

THE PREVENTION OF ACTIVITIES THAT ARE CULTURALLY INAPPROPRIATE PRINCIPLE

ensures that nothing shall be done on the lands of indigenous peoples that would cause environmental harm or be culturally inappropriate.

THE INTERGENERATIONAL EQUITY PRINCIPLE ensures the rights of future generations and the right of a child to a safe environment.

THE NUREMBERG PRINCIPLE holds that citizens are morally obliged to act to oppose

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unjust laws and unjust state actions.

These principles have been endorsed by the member states of the United Nations. Many governments have disregarded these principles in giving uncritical support to corporations engaged in genetic experimentation and in promoting genetic engineering in agribusiness applications.

AFFIRMING THAT:

The introduction of genetically modified substances is an irresponsible experiment being conducted on the entire planet, with little or no research on its effects on the environment or human health. Genetically modified organisms are by definition new life forms which, if released into the natural environment, may well have unanticipated synergistic interactions with an unlimited range of existing organisms. The introduced genes have the potential to spread out of control, both by cross-pollination to related species and horizontal transfer to unrelated species. For instance, pollen from crops carrying the terminator gene -- the gene that renders the seed from a crop infertile -- may disperse and infect crops in other fields, also rendering them infertile. There are also well founded concerns about the unintended effects of introducing foreign genetic material into organisms which are ingested by humans, which may include toxins and allergens.

The introduction of new organisms has potential ramifications which are complex, long-term, and unpredictable. The prevention of anthropogenic disasters must surely include avoiding the introduction of new procedures and substances with such far reaching ramifications, especially where neither the benefits nor the needs for them are yet proven. These complex ramifications may be difficult or impossible to assess with

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sufficient certainty to justify production.

NOTING THAT: that there is new evidence of hazards:

*** Herbicide resistant transgenes have spread to wild relatives by cross pollination in both oilseed rape and sugar beet (Brookes, 1999) creating many species of potential superweeds. One study shows that transgenes may be up to 30 times more likely to escape than the plant's own genes (Bergelson, J, Purrington, B and Wichmann, G, 1998).**

• Bt-toxins engineered into a wide range of transgenic plants already released into the environment may build up in the soil and have devastating impacts on pollinators and other beneficial insects (Crecchi,C and Stotzky, G, 1998)

• Serious doubts over the safety of transgenic foods are raised by new revelations on the results of animal feeding experiments. Potatoes engineered with snowdrop lectin fed to rats caused highly significant reduction in width of many organs, impairment of immunological responsiveness and signs suggestive of viral infection. (Leake, C. and Fraser, L (1999).

• Research from the Netherlands show that antibiotic resistant marker genes from genetically engineered bacteria at a substantial frequency of 10^{-7} in an artificial gut (MacKenzie, D, 1999).

There is sufficient concern about genetically engineered foods and sufficient anticipatory scientific concern about the possible interaction of genetically engineered crops with existing organisms to justify the banning of genetically modified foods and

crops. It is possible that no test could be devised that would be comprehensive enough to demonstrate the safety of introducing genetically modified organisms, because of the complexities which can arise from their interaction with existing organisms.

CONCERNED THAT

Government representatives at the recent meeting of the Codex Alimentarius in Ottawa ignored citizens' call for urgent action to label existing genetically engineered foods, and to extend the Codex Alimentarius' terms of reference to include a call for banning genetically engineered foods. The representatives of the Codex Alimentarius had the unique opportunity to finally demonstrate that the global community is prepared to prevent future generations from being exposed to the effects of present negligence. In addition, the Global Community failed to negotiate a Biosafety Protocol.

WE ARE FURTHER CONCERNED THAT

universities have entered into substantive contracts with agribusiness companies involved with genetically engineered foods; and that many agribusiness companies have been exploiting indigenous peoples' knowledge of esoteric organisms and their medicinal effects;

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AND WE REJECT

The myth perpetuated by Monsanto and the Biotechnology industry that the world cannot be fed without genetic engineering, and that small farmers do not feed the world;

WHILE a considerable percentage of the world's known biodiversity is located in developing countries, any effective mechanism for the protection of and reward for the local custodians of these genetic resources is being stalled by northern, industrialized nations.

THEREFORE, WE CALL UPON: --

The United Nations to call upon member states of the United Nations:

*** to act immediately to call for the implementation of existing International declarations, conventions, covenants, treaties on human rights and the environment to support the cancellation of the human genome diversity project, the patenting of seeds, and all further commercial exploitation of indigenous peoples and of the knowledge of indigenous peoples;**

• to prevent, under the Convention on Biological Diversity (a) the transfer of all Genetically modified organisms, and (b) the development of pesticide resistant crops;

• to immediately halt the harvesting of genetic material of indigenous peoples and to demand that these efforts be replaced with international dedication to preserving the existence of indigenous peoples and their culture;

- **to prevent "bioprospecting" -- exploiting and patenting the knowledge of indigenous peoples;**

- **to not defeat the purpose of the Convention on Biological Diversity by failing to invoke the precautionary principle to justify the banning of the production of genetically engineered foods and crops;**

- * **to recognize that conservation of Biodiversity is antithetical to the development and altering through genetic engineering;**

- * **to prevent under the Convention on Biological Diversity the transfer of all Genetically modified organisms;**

- * **to call for an immediate moratorium on research, development, release, and movement of genetically engineered foods and crops; including those modified for producing industrial chemical and pharmaceutical products, XENOTRANPLANTATION RESEARCH AND EXPLOITATION, HUMAN EMBRYO RESEARCH AND EXPLOITATION AND HUMAN CLONING.**

- * **to prevent under the Convention on Biological Diversity the development of pesticide resistant crops;**

- * **to ban genetically engineered foods and immediately remove all genetically engineered foods from the food distribution system;**

- * **to institute an immediate ban on genetically engineered Bovine Growth Hormone, and endorse the campaign to rid rBGH from school milk (passed in plenary);**

- * **to keep forests, farms and food safe, and to oppose the genetic engineering of all plants and animals (passed in plenary);**

*** to abolish patents of genetic sequences and living organisms in the form of "intellectual property rights" (passed in plenary);**

*** to stop the national violence initiative project (U.S.), and to immediately halt the drugging of black and latino children in the name of their supposed "genetic predisposition" to committing crimes because neither behaviour nor intelligence is racially or genetically determined (passed in plenary);**

*** to disband the human genome diversity project and end the colonization of the genes of indigenous people (passed in plenary);**

*** to immediately cease the administration of experimental and genetically engineered drugs to prisoners, people living on American Indian reservations, and people in so-called "third world" countries (passed in plenary);**

• to ban "terminator" seed technology and patents, and to immediately cease all "terminator" tests and ban its application (passed in plenary);

• to encourage smaller-scaled organic farming, local food systems, home-scale gardening, and ecosystem restoration and to oppose the consolidation of corporate and monocrop farming and their reliance on genetic engineering and toxic herbicides and insecticides (passed in plenary);

• to urge the Grammeen bank to discontinue all further "partnerships" with Monsanto and its affiliated corporations;

• to discontinue all financial support for agribusiness, and to financially support and promote organic agriculture;

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- **to ensure that the designation of "organic" does not include genetically engineered food, irradiated food or related practices;**

- **to prevent the transfer to other state particularly developing states of substances and activities that cause environmental degradation or that are harmful to human health, and to recognize that compliance with this principle from the Rio Declaration would entail the prevention of transfer of genetically modified organisms;**

- **to condemn the use of genetic screening to discriminate against employees;**

- **to implement the 1986 UN resolution to ensure that the use of scientific technology is in peace and for the benefit of humanity;**

- **to guarantee the farmers right to produce seeds and to recognize this as a human right in fulfilling the guaranteed right to food;**

- **to call upon states to implement the right of citizens to organically grown, affordable, accessible food;**

- **to ensure that citizens are fed clean, nutritional organically grown food before food is authorized for export;**

- **to condemn the conversion of sensitive ecosystems for ranches and cattle production;**

- **to condemn the round table approach to decision making that compromises ethics, that fosters and condones conflict of interest, undermines principle and leads to the lowest common denominator;**

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- **to act on the commitment made in 1972 to eliminate the production of weapons of mass destruction, and to enter into a binding agreement as a Convention for the Elimination of the Production of Biological Weapons, to not allow vested economic interest of biotechnological and genetic engineering industries to thwart the resolve to negotiate this convention;**

- **to endorse October 15 the Eve of World Food day as the Global Days of Action against Genetically engineered food, and subsequent Global Days of Action against genetically engineered foods and crops. PAGES 5-14 NOT INCLUDED**

The Nation States:

- **to oppose the extension of intellectual property rights to life forms, whether it be for humans, animals, plants, microorganisms, or their genes, cells or other parts;**

- **to change provisions in patent acts to prevent theft of biodiversity related knowledge;**

- **to refuse to grant patents to corporations for methods and products based on traditional practices, or other information gleaned from the collective knowledge and wisdom of indigenous peoples with respect to the medicinal use of plants and animals or any other matter without fair royalties being paid to those peoples;**

- **to refuse to issue patents for life forms and to refuse to recognize life form patents issued elsewhere;**

- **to oblige corporations to discontinue the use of the "terminator gene" which destroys the fertility of seeds;**

- **to transfer existing funding and support for agribusiness and for genetically engineered projects to socially equitable and environmentally sound organic agriculture, and to institute a fair and just transition program for farmers and communities affected economically by the banning of genetically engineered crops;**

- **to implement the 1986 United Nations resolution to ensure that the use of scientific technology is in peace and for the benefit of humanity;**

- **to deny non profit and charitable status to NGOs that receive funding from corporations and their affiliates;**

- **to prevent the collusion between regulatory bodies, universities and corporations;**

- **to condemn the practice of corporations of requiring farmers to sign gene-licensing agreements, and of hiring informers to report on farming practices;**

- **to guarantee the farmers right to save seeds;**

- **to revoke charters and licences of corporations for violation of human rights, including labour rights, denying social justice, destroying the environment, undermining economic self sufficiency, or contributing to conflict, violence and war;**

- **to ensure that regulatory agencies are not promoters of the technology.**

• **To convert chemically dependent genetically engineered farms to organic farms, and to support a fair and just transition program for affected farmers and communities.**

The World Bank, IMF, and Development Agencies:

• **to refuse to fund all agribusiness and genetically engineered food research and development;**

• **to fund only socially equitable and environmentally sound organic agriculture;**

• **to discontinue structural adjustment programs and forgive third world debt;**

• **to no longer conceive of the refusal to accept genetically engineered foods and seeds as a barrier to trade.**

The Regulatory Agencies:

• **to provide for stiff regulations preventing the development, distribution, patenting etc. of genetically engineered foods;**

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- **to establish regulations which will phase out agribusiness and promote socially equitable and environmentally sound organic agriculture;**

- **to no longer conceive the refusal to accept genetically engineered foods and seeds as being a barrier to trade.**

The Universities:

- **to discontinue all further support research genetically engineered foods and crops;**

- **to cancel all existing contracts with corporations that are researching and developing genetically engineered foods and crops;**

- **to voluntarily put into the public domain all existing research data so that patents based on such findings cannot be obtained.**

The Wholesale and Retail Industry:

- **to communicate to the companies that produce genetically engineered food the refusal to carry genetically engineered foods;**

- **to move towards supporting and promoting organically grown products;**

- **to ensure that the produce is not genetically engineered and post notices to that effect;**

- **to refuse to sell genetically engineered foods and to communicate this refusal to companies that produce such food.**

The Growers:

- **to refuse to purchase seeds from any of the companies that engage in the research and development of genetically engineered foods;**

- **to ensure a larger gene pool to present seed diversity;**

- **to work on continued research into crops that are naturally resistant to disease;**

- **to lobby for the banning of the "terminator" gene.**

The Non Government Organizations (NGOs):

- **to refuse to accept funding from corporations or corporate affiliations or front groups;**

- **to ensure that the terms of reference in decision making processes is broad enough to address the issues related to whether the activity or substance should be engaged in or produced in the first place;**

- **to discourage the undermining of resolve to do what is necessary by being satisfied with what is possible or "reasonable";**

- **to work with farmers on mutual information and education about the hazards of Genetically engineered foods;**

- **to refuse to settle for half way measures and partial solutions in the quest for being reasonable.**

The Citizens:

- **to urge governments, regulatory agencies, universities, and wholesale and retail industry to discontinue all further development and distribution of genetically engineered food;**

- **to decide not to purchase genetically engineered foods and to communicate this decision to agencies, institutions, governments, departments, and to lobby against any wholesale or retail store that carries genetically engineered foods;**

- **to demand the right to know: (a) what products and substances have been approved for sale by governments, (b) what processes products and substances have undergone in production, (c) what regulations are in place, (d) what the reasons are for not have stiff regulations, or for not enforcing regulations, (e) the nature and extent of the funding in the universities of genetically engineered companies, (f) the method by which wholesale and retail stores ensure that they are not selling;**

- **the means to ensure that citizens are forewarned about food that has been genetically engineered;**

- **to expose the corruption and kick backs in institutional programs such as the World Bank;**

- **to expose the level of complicity of institutions through interlocking directorships;**

- **to document PR statements of firms involved with genetic engineering, to counteract these statements and to disseminate the information;**

- **to appropriate corporate language, clarify it and counteract it;**

- **to clearly define the opposition;**

- **to participate and support a broad based principled citizens movement opposing genetically engineering ensuring the constant respect for social justice and human rights;**

- **to try to unfold the hidden dimension involved in any struggle; every issue has a hidden ecological, human rights, social justice labour dimension;**

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- **to link up with other groups but not sacrifice principle;**

- **to retain the moral ascendancy;**

- **to set up community trusts where citizens can contribute to the purchase of land, to grow organic food, to support organic farmers and undertake to purchase organic produce;**

- **to boycott and "boycott" all companies and their affiliates that are engaged in producing or distributing genetically engineered foods;**

- **to participate in the Global days of Action against genetically engineered foods (October 15 and 16);**

MEDIA RELEASE

Victoria, B.C. Saturday February 20,1999

GREEN PARTY LEADER TO ATTEND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN INDIA

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Sunday, February 21, — Victoria B.C. — The Green Party of Canada announced today that Dr Joan Russow, National leader of the Green Party of Canada, will be attending the Biodevastation II International conference organized by Dr Vandana Shiva in New Delhi, India, from March 7 to March 11,1999. At that conference , the Green Party will be advocating a global unified call for the banning of genetically engineered foods and crops, coupled with the implementing of a fair/just transition program for affected farmers and communities.

It is hoped that at this conference in India there will be a global unified call for the banning of genetically engineered foods and crops, and that leaders around the world will heed this call.

Since 1994, genetically engineered foods have been approved in Canada: insect-resistant corn, high oleic acid canola, glufosinate tolerant corn, glyphosate tolerant canola, Colorado potato beetle resistant potatoes etc.

For too long the dialogue around genetically engineered foods and crops has been around the issue of labelling.□ The call for labelling fails to address the equity, ecological

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and economic issues inherent in genetically engineered foods. Given the unattended consequences of this technology and the global commitment to the precautionary principle it becomes an imperative to institute a complete ban on genetically engineered foods.

Russow attended the Biodevastation I Conference in St. Louis last July and was instrumental in having the Biodevastation Declaration drafted and approved in principle. (See enclosed Declaration). The Green Party of Canada will also be taking the Biodevastation Declaration to the European meeting of Green Parties in Paris from February 25-28.

Dr. Joan Russow, National leader of the Green Party of Canada, will be attending the Biodevastation II International conference organized by Dr Vandana Shiva, in New Delhi, from March 7-March 11.

At the recent budget presentations Russow proposed that the \$1.5 billion in the Department of Agriculture and Agribusiness be redirected to the promoting of organic agriculture and to the converting of chemically dependent farms.

The Green Party of Canada has set up the Green Party of Canada GE-free food fund for raising money to support the campaign to ban genetically engineered foods and crops. The Green Party has also requested through the Access to Information the location of

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the sites across Canada. The Department of Agriculture will, however, only release the names of the towns and cities but will not reveal the actual location of the sites.

Commitment and resources must be directed to preventing potential harm rather than continually living in the wake of negligence. Citizens in Canada have been ill-informed about the widespread approval and testing of genetically engineered foods and crops, and it is time to call for a complete ban.

In addition to foods and crops already registered for use throughout Canada, the Canadian government boasts that there are 1000s of trial sites across Canada, more than in the whole European Union”

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() MARCH 20, 1999 I WROTE A FOLLOW-UP LETTER TO VANDANA SHIVA

1999 March 20

Dear Vandana

Thank you so much for your wonderful hospitality, and exceptionally informative and effectively organized conference. I was so impressed with your work and the activism in India. I think that there will be changes in Canada. I was interviewed for 30 minutes on a province wide radio where I revealed that we have over 4000 test sites across Canada; As a result of the talk show I have had several interesting calls. One from a retired physician who is prepared to lobby the medical profession on this issue. Also the National newspaper, The Globe and Mail will be publishing tomorrow or Thursday an article on the information I submitted on the test sites. I think that people in Canada once they find out about the trial sites will feel that they have been duped and are being used as Guinea pigs.

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I have enclosed the resolution that you read and that was circulated for signatures at the Conference. There are some names that I am not clear about. Also there were many Indian participants that had left earlier and not had a chance to sign. Michael Hansen said that he agreed with it but was not able to sign, and Beth did not want to sign. Otherwise there appeared to be full support.

Would you want your name on as a contact. Could you please advise on how we might be able to proceed with it.

All the best

Joan

RESOLUTION PRESENTED AT THE BIODEVASTATION II CONFERENCE IN DELHI

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The undersigned participants at the Biodevastation II Conference in Delhi, India, March 11, 1999

call for

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(iii) An end to the exploitation of the knowledge of farmers, peasants and indigenous peoples

(iv) A global support program for promoting organic agriculture and other forms of ecological farming

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Signed

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**I SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION CIRCULATED AT THE BIODEVASTATION
II MEETING IN DELHI, MARCH 11**

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