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Hello,

I am writing to you to call your attention to the first GMO field cutting action that happened in Portugal and for which I was invited as spokesperson.

This action has received major media attention and has put the GMO debate in the mainstream. However, there is a clear intention to bring the attention to the action itself, criminalising the activists and putting the farmer as a poor victim of the action, transferring the attention from the real debate on GMOs. The Ministry of Internal Affairs already launched an investigation from the Public Ministry.

For this, I call on your attention for possible international support on the portuguese campaigns against GMOs (even if not directly to the action of the Movimento Verde EufÃ©mia), in an attempt to bring the debate into the right place.

The English version of the press release with the public announcement of the civil disobedience action is posted nearby.

For any further questions don't hesitate to contact me directly at +351 919090807.

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