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> The Right Honourable Boyko Borisov Prime Minister of Bulgaria Sofia, Bulgaria

> > December 2nd, 2010

Dear Prime Minister:

As a Spanish scientist and a friend of Bulgaria, I am very worried by the news that the Government of Bulgaria is drastically reducing the financial support to the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences. I am collaborating with excellent Bulgarian researchers in the field of biomedicine, who are internationally respected and admired, and cutting the funding supply to scientific research in Bulgaria will have, as a consequence, that science in your country will decline alarmingly. Moreover, young people will be unmotivated to stay in science and the economic development derived from the fruitful alliance between fundamental and applied science will be jeopardized. I respectfully urge you to reconsider the decision and make sure that the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences receives adequate funding to continue its excellent contributions to science.

Yours sincerely,

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