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I am writing you in order to express my deep concern with the state of our agriculture in america. For instance, the vast majority of our corn seed in this country is now owned by one company, Monsanto. How can this be. They even sue farmers for using it if their seed floats into the farmers field from another farm even though they don't want anything to do with it. Once again, how can this be. How can any company own our food? Not only do they own the seed but they genetically modify it to withstand their main pesticide, Roundup. Since corn or it's derivative is in practically everything we eat and since GMO food does not have to be labeled most consumers have no idea that they are eating these modified foods on a daily bases. For years the big shot s from the largest chemical companies have been moving into the agriculture department, the same department that regulates the food industry. How can this be tolerated?

Please, someone in government must care enough to do something about this intolerable situation. We are all in this together after all. Our children are eating this pesticide sprayed, genetically modified food also. Shame on Monsanto.

Sincerely,

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