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Subject: PLEASE DELIVER: knowable, safe, sustainable food production

Department of Justice:

Please hear me! I am upset by the following American farming practices:

**-NO COMPANY SHOULD OWN OUR FOOD SEED!!!!!!
(FOR STARTERS...)**

- Genetically modified seed should not be allowed! It causes more herbicides to be used. It corrupts other unmodified seeds. The heavy use of herbicides creates resistance in weeds & supersized weeds!
- Strict food labeling should be required so that we can be sure of what we're eating: pesticides used, GMO seeds, transported over a certain distance; who produced it; if the seed is owned by a corporation
- Large corporate farming has killed small American farms and the towns/societies that revolved around them!
- Food is transported too far, causing extra pollution, loss of consumer control, loss of consumer information, degradation of localized food production & sales.
- Organic food is too expensive for most people - caused by the large corporate farms illuminating small scale farming support companies; local networks; corporate farm price controls
- Environmental damage due to corporate farming practices - especially the destruction of local farm communities & sales

I WANT KNOWABLE, AFFORDABLE, SAFE, SUSTAINABLY, LOCALLY GROWN, FULLY LABELED, NON-GMO, NON-CORPORATE OWNED FOOD TO EAT AND FEED TO MY FAMILY !!!

I WANT LOCAL FARMING AND COMMERCE TO BE A PART OF MY LOCAL COMMUNITY.

I WANT MONSANTO AND OTHER LARGE CORPORATION TO BE BARRED FROM OWNING AND MODIFYING FOOD SEED!!!!

I WANT MY TAX DOLLARS TO FIX THESE PROBLEMS AND NOT TO BE SPENT POLICING/KILLING PEOPLE IN OTHER COUNTRIES!!!

I WANT MY GOVERNMENT TO EXPOSE THE CORPORATIONS WHO SELL JUNK FOOD TO AMERICANS WHICH MAKE THEM OBESE, SICK, AND UNSUSTAINABLE.

PLEASE STOP MONSANTO (AND OTHER CORPORATIONS) FROM OWNING FOOD SEED.

PLEASE STOP MONSANTO FROM MODIFYING FOOD SEEDS!

PLEASE STOP MONSANTO FROM CONTROLLING FOOD MARKETS.

PLEASE STOP MONSANTO FROM POISONING THE SOIL WITH HERBICIDES & PESTICIDES

THANK YOU,

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BRING BACK LOCAL FARMING PRACTICES!