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The Right Honourable Tony Blair MP House of Commons London SW1A 0AA

## Dear Mr Blair

On the day that Unilver and Tesco¹ announced that they would stop using GM ingredients in the food that they sell, you stood up in Parliament and insisted that GM foods were safe to eat. How do you know? There is no published research. Plant breeders have been making merry with what we eat for decades but nobody ever tests the results.

You assume the products are safe to eat but you don't know; and we all know about assumptions, don't we?

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> joining Nestle, Cadbury, Sainsbury, Safeway, Asda, Somerfield, Co-op, Marks & Spencer, Waitrose, to mention some