

Longueuil, August 14, 2014

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Les Éleveurs de volailles du Québec
(Chicken Farmers of Quebec)

SUBJECT: Complaints concerning CFC's chicken quota allocations for A-127

Dear Madam Vanasse:

This is in response to your letter of August 7, 2014 by which the Council informed us of two complaints that had been received concerning CFC's chicken allocations for the period A-127.

The letter asked us to take note of the complaints and submit our comments to the Council by August 15, 2014.

From our perspective, submitting comments means that we can demonstrate their merits in order to support them and that we may defend them, if need be.

Furthermore, it is our understanding that we can provide additional comments, if necessary, once we have familiarized ourselves with the positions of the parties. The same is true for any research and analyses that are carried out by or on behalf of the Council and used in processing the complaints.

Les Éleveurs de volailles du Québec (Chicken Farmers of Quebec) supports the CFC's decision that is the subject of the said complaints. Our organization is among the provincial boards which expressed needs that led to the rate of increase contested by the complainants. The validity of these needs is likely being called into question by the complainants, and we have the information necessary to justify them before the Council.

Consequently, if we have misunderstood our role in relation to these complaints, please let us know as soon as possible. This will enable us to submit an official request to intervene in the complaint handling process.

Sincerely yours,

Pierre-Luc Leblanc,
President