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To

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Subject: mRNA – 1273 vaccine against Covid-19

Dear Mr. Vice President,

1. I would like to reiterate the interest of the Brazilian Ministry of Health in procuring doses of the mRNA – 1273 vaccine against Covid-19, expressed in Letter n. 2.095/2020/SE/GAB/SE/MS (0018087654), as of December 11th 2020, in addition to our interest in following up on negotiations for the procurement 13 (thirteen) million doses of vaccines ratified through Letter n. 559/2021/SE/GAB/SE/MS (0018087654), and Letter n. 562/2021/SE/GAB/SE/MS (0018087654), both from March 5th 2021.
2. At that occasion, the Ministry of Health highlighted three essential elements for negotiations to proceed: timeline, price, and efficacy, with a view to allow the inclusion of the mRNA – 1273 vaccine in the National Plan for Operationalization of Covid-19 Vaccination.
3. In response, the Ministry of Health acknowledges Moderna's e-mail (0019593247) received on March 7th, 2021, presenting Confidentiality Agreement (0019593334), in English and Portuguese, as a requirement for the continuation of the discussions regarding the procurement of Moderna's vaccine, and subsequent sharing of the information requested by the Ministry of Health. Also, on March 13th, 2021, the Ministry received a new e-mail from Moderna (0019593368), containing the Confidentiality Agreement (0019593369).
4. Notwithstanding, the Ministry of Health requests Moderna Therapeutics to appoint its official representative in Brazil with a view to facilitating discussions with ANVISA for the relevant regulatory approval and importation of the product.
5. Subsequently, we would proceed with the confidentiality agreement and any other pertinent negotiations, in order to intensify the rate of vaccination against Covid-19 in Brazil, allowing us to save lives and to halt the most harmful effects of the pandemic. For this, I request to confirm the schedule of availability of doses to supply to Brazil, still in the year of 2021, mainly in the first semester.

Yours sincerely,

ANTÔNIO ELCIO FRANCO FILHO
Vice Minister of Health



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