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Dear Humberto Gandarillas:

In november 1985 a long article featuring the plant QUINOA and your research was printed in a local newspaper here in Norway. We are writing this letter after your address was given to us by the author of the article Mrs. Diis Bohn, a journalist from the Norwegian News Agency, whom we contacted for more information about the plant. We are a conservationist group located in Stavanger, Norway who want to experiment this nutritious species in Eritrea (north-east Africa) which lies within the tropics on a latitude of 10-20 degrees north from the equator.

Ever since we read the article our group has developed strong interest in experimenting QUINOA in Eritrea. According to the information given in the article, the plant has a fair chance of adapting to the soil and climatic condition in Eritrea. For this reason we would like to request your assistance in providing our group the seeds necessary for the experiment. I.E about 650 gram of the major species grown in Bolivia. Please attach inspection certificate to the consignment. In addition dispatch of literature about studies made on this particular plant will be very much appreciated.

We would like to use this opportunity to assure you that results of our experiment will be reported back to you. We look forward to hear from you. Thanks in advance.

Best regards,

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