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2nd December, 2020

Ms. Laura Shumow Executive Director American Spice Trade Association (ASTA) Email: lshumow@astaspice.org

Dear Ms. Laura Shumow,

This has reference to your trail email and letter dated 20th November, 2020 on permitting import of small samples of black pepper to India for lab testing / research purpose. Spices Board has taken up the matter with the authorities concerned for a favourable consideration of your request.

Further, I look forward to continuous engagement and collaboration of Spices Board with the ASTA so as to facilitate compliance with food safety and quality standards in spices and spice products, at both the exporting as well as the importing countries, with a view to further promote trade and to protect the health of consumers, globally.

Yours faithfully,

P. M Suresh Kumar Director (Marketing)

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