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1st December, 1981.

Dear Shri Srinivasan,

I am most grateful for your generous sentiments on my election as Independent Chairman of the Council of the Food & Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. I regard this to be a tribute to the progress made by our country in agriculture.

Greater challenges lie ahead and there is no time to relax. Given a proper blend of technology, services and public policies, we should be able to witness faster progress in the coming years.

My thoughts on this occasion go to the following words of Albert Einstein:-

"How strange is the lot of us mortals! Each of us is here for a brief sojourn; for what purpose he knows not, though he sometimes thinks he senses it. But with deeper reflection one knows from daily life that one exists for other people - first of all for those upon whose smiles and well-being our own happiness is dependent, and then for the many, unknown to us, to whose destinies we are bound by ties of sympathy. A hundred times every day I remind myself that my inner and outer life are based on the labours of other men, living and dead, and that I must exert myself in order to give in the same measure as I have received and am still receiving."

Drawing inspiration from the past, I hope we can march ahead in the task of building an enduring national food security system. I thank you once again for your words of encouragement.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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June 26, 2004

Mr. M.S. Swaminathan,
Chairman Of National Commission on Farmers,
Ministry of Food and Agriculture,
New Delhi.

Dear Sir,

Congratulations on your being chosen as the Chairman of National Commission on Farmers in the wake of formation of a new Central Government after the 14th Lok Sabha Elections. Your choice is most sagacious, apt, befitting, and recognition of the personality of your stature in the 'Agro' field locally and internationally. I hope this is a god sent opportunity, at a time, when enormous planning, spade work and innovating development needs to be achieved in agriculture in which sphere you are sure to excel. Indian farmers are thus, poised to be prosperous and will look at their future with optimism under your stewardship and guidance.

We pray god-speed.

You will remember that I had been a votary of you. My memory goes back to the year 1981 when you were Member of Planning Commission, New Delhi then. You were also elected as an Independent Chairman of the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in the year same year 1981. I had the occasion to congratulate you then also. In your reply letter dated 1 -12 -1981 Xerox copy enclosed ,wherein you have quoted the observations of ALBERT EINSTEIN.

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The observations quoted by that eminent scientist still holds good even to day. Much water has flown under the bridge between that time and now; yet your choice by Mr. Sonia Gandhi, and the Honorable Prime Minister of India, consequent on the outcome of Election 2004 is a standing testimony of your importance in the enlistment which induction is the result of an ambitious leadership picking up and utilizing the cream of the society.

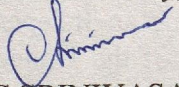
I Pray for a long life and strength for you to carryout the fulfillments and ambitions of our farmers.

May God be with you in all your endeavours.

Thanking you,

Enc: As above.

Yours faithfully,


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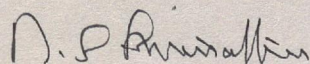
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Dear Shri Srinivasan,

I am most grateful to you for your kind letter. I thank you very much for reminding me of what I wrote to you in 1981. Einstein has been one of my spiritual and intellectual scientific gurus. I look forward to meeting you when you come to Chennai next.

With warm personal regards,

Yours sincerely,



M S Swaminathan

Cc: Ms R Malathy

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