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To whom it may concern

The trade of protected wild species is regulated by the international organisation CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wilde Fauna and Flora) which is legally in force also in Portugal. The Convention operates through a system of export and import licences with regard to three lists of species, which comprise CITES Appendices I, II and III, respectively adopted by the European Union as Annexes A, B and C.

For the plant family of the Araliaceae, *Panax ginseng* is listed by CITES in Appendix 2 as protected wild species only in the following case:

"Panax ginseng only the population of the Russian Federation; no other population is included in the Appendices"

For the production of our standardized *Panax ginseng* extract G115 we use roots of *Panax ginseng* plants originating from cultivations in China. Therefore we are not using wild growing *Panax ginseng* plants from the Russian Federation and therefore we are not using endangered species protected by CITES in our products.

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