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**A STUDY INTO THE NEED OF THE BIOSAFETY
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ABSTRACT

This research is premised on our effort to examine inadequacy and sufficiency of Malaysia's Biosafety Bill 2006, particularly in terms of regulating the development of biotechnology in Malaysia. The topic was chosen because we feel that the development of the biotechnology sector in Malaysia is such that a comprehensive and all encompassing law on biosafety need be put in place. We believe the government has a duty to ensure that the biosafety law that it has passed will not endanger our booming food industry in particular and the society in general. It falls on the government to undertake a thorough study into the pros and cons, and to identify and rectify the weaknesses and loopholes, if any, before enforcing the law. We also deem it proper and wise, in understanding this study, to compare our existing biosafety law with like regulations elsewhere. For this purpose, we have chosen China. To us, China has advanced a very viable biosafety legislation and has managed its biotechnology industry so well that there is justification for us to follow their footsteps or even emulate them.

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