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The President  
The Nilgiris Flower Grower's Association  
Woodcote, Coonoor  
The Nilgiris, TamilNadu,  
India

Hillegom, January 7, 2018

Dear Sir,

Anthos is the organization that worldwide represents the Dutch trade companies in the flowerbulb and nurserystock business. Some of our members informed us that the authorities in India consider to introduce stricter requirements with regard to the use of plastics. These requirements will have a huge effect on the quality of lily bulbs. Therefore, we wish to inform you that the freshly harvested lily bulbs of various sizes are placed in peat moss and packed in polythene bags and kept in cold storage at -0.5°C. These bulbs are transported to different destinations all over the world in refrigerated containers maintaining the same temperature. The polythene bags used are integral part of a – through practical experience - well proven method of packing lily bulbs. Any adjustments in the thickness of polythene bags used or use of any other material for packing will impair the viability of packed lily bulbs which will lead to total failure of crop.

Yours sincerely,

Anthos



Mr. H. Westerhof, chairman

