## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I of Darver/Dromiskin Game Club.

Provide a crop protection service to grain and tillage farmers in Co., Louth.

Birds attacking crops include the various members of the covid family most notably Rooks. Woodpigeon are a major problem all year around to oil seed rape and brassias along with the various grain crops (cereals). These species are resident and have a robust and growing population, and are responsible for crop losses in excess of 45% where shooting is not being used to protect crops

Other various methods have been tried and found to be ineffective as these species are highly intelligent and learn to ignore scarecrows and bangers (gas)

I conclude that there should be no change to the derogation to control these species that currently is in place .

Yours,

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