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Dear Peter,

Thank you for the longstanding collaboration between GISAID, outbreak.info, and my group. Over the years, we have been a valuable resource for your team, providing critical technical feedback and contributing over 100,000 sequences to your platform as part of our federally funded efforts. In turn, we have appreciated the continued access to GISAID data to power outbreak.info, which remains a key resource for the infectious disease community.

Given this history, the letter received from your organization today was unexpected. We have already explained in detail the circumstances behind the update delays and have outlined how these have been addressed. The decision made by your organization is therefore not acceptable to us and I therefore request that you immediately reinstate access for outbreak.info so we can continue to serve the needs of the community.

Please confirm that access has been fully restored no later than 12:00 PM PDT on Tuesday, May 27, 2025. If this cannot be accommodated, I expect to receive a detailed explanation in advance, outlining the specific reasons for the continued restriction. Should access not be reinstated by that deadline, we will be forced to inform the broader community through a public statement, including a full account of the circumstances surrounding this decision and our previous interactions.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions and I am very much looking forward to our continued partnership.

Kind regards,
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