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Dear Mr. Thomas:

This is to certify that on May 8, 2015 The Nasdaq Stock Market (the "Exchange") received from GALAPAGOS NV (the "Registrant") a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8-A 12(b) for the registration of the following security:

American Depositary Shares, each
representing one ordinary share, no par value per share

Ordinary Shares, no par value per share*

* Not for trading, but only in connection with the listing of the American Depositary Shares on The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC. The American Depositary Shares represent the right to receive ordinary shares and are being registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, pursuant to a separate Registration Statement on Form F-6. Accordingly, the American Depositary Shares are exempt from the operation of Section 12(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, pursuant to Rule 12a-8 thereunder.

We further certify that the security(ies) described above have been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration upon official notice of issuance.

We understand that the Registrant is seeking effectiveness of the Form 8-A 12(b) concurrently with effectiveness of its 1933 Act Registration Statement, and we hereby join in such request.

Sincerely,

William Slattery