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**NEWS RELEASE** 

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# Organto Receives Organic Certifications for Argentine Farms and Provides Corporate Update

Vancouver, BC, Canada, October 19, 2016 – Organto Foods Inc. (TSX-V: OGO, OTC: OGOFF) ("Organto") is pleased to announce that it has received organic certifications in the United States under the US Department of Agriculture's National Organic Program (USDA NOP), and in Europe under the International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements (IFOAM). The certifications apply to approximately 23 hectares of farmland in Córdoba, Argentina and 60 hectares in Mar de Plata, Argentina. Organto has commenced growing operations on the entire area in Córdoba and up to 45 hectares in Mar de Plata by planting organic sugar snaps and snow peas. Organto expects to ship its first products to European clients in November.

# **Private Placement**

Furthermore, the TSX Venture Exchange (the "TSX-V") has approved an extension of its previously announced private placement financing. To date, Organto has closed a first tranche for gross proceeds of \$552,043. One or more additional tranches may close any time prior to November 4, 2016. For additional details regarding the private placement, please refer to Organto's news releases dated September 2, 2016, July 28, 2016 and July 21, 2016.

### Bridge Loan

Organto has also arranged for two bridge loans totalling US\$100,000 to provide it with short-term financing for its general working capital requirements while it completes the private placement. The loans are unsecured, bear interest at a rate of 6% per annum and have a one year repayment term, subject to the option of the lenders to demand early repayment any time after Organto has announced the completion of an equity financing for aggregate proceeds of at least US\$1,000,000. The bridge loans are subject to the approval of the TSX-V.

# **Shares for Services**

Organto also announces that it has entered into an agreement with one external consultant pursuant to which it has agreed to grant shares as compensation for services. Subject to the approval of the TSX-V, share compensation of \$3,000 per month is to be issued within 10 business days after the receipt by the Company of an invoice for the services rendered, based on the 20 day volume-weighted-average closing price of Organto's common shares on the TSX-V.

This new consulting agreement replaces one of the consulting agreements that was previously announced by news release dated September 2, 2016. As of the date of this news release, Organto has committed to granting an aggregate of \$8,000 per month as compensation for services to be provided by two external consultants.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD,

Peter L Gianulis
President & CEO

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