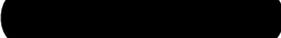




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Mr. Ulf Bengtsson


Sent by email

Subject: Your letter to Commissioner Andriukaitis about conflicts of interest in the dental community

Dear Mr Bengtsson,

The Commissioner asked me to reply on his behalf.

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 04/05/2015 in which you expressed concern about the severe conflicts of interest in the dental community.

With reference to your call for a truly independent investigation to be carried out at European level, the Treaty on the functioning of the European Union does not confer power to the Commission in such sense.

With reference to the potential conflict of interest affecting members of the SCENIHR WG on dental amalgam, we refer to the replies to your earlier correspondence (Ares (2014)3565449 - 28/10/2014, email of 6 January 2015).



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