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Subject RE: Letter from Roy Ramm and Peter Sheridan

History:

This message has been replied to.

Dear [REDACTED]

Further to our correspondence last Friday, I did not forward you the contact details of the intermediary because he was still in the process of getting agreement from Roy Ramm and Peter Sheridan for their letter to be made public on our website. Messrs Ramm and Sheridan have now agreed, and their intermediary has also agreed for me to pass on his contact details to you (see below).

The House of Lords Committee will include the Ramm/Sheridan letter on its website together with all the other evidence we have received with clearance to publish.

<http://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/lords-select/eu-home-affairs-sub-committee-f-/scrutiny-work1/parliament-2010/tobacco-enhanced-scrutiny/>

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I am an employee of Goddard Global. We are engaged to manage the secretariat of The Common Sense Alliance. We help with the distribution of communications and manage diaries and engagement requirements for the founder members. For more information on The Alliance and its supporters, please visit <http://thecommonsensealliance.com/>

The Alliance are a new group of like-minded people who question poorly evidenced regulation. Peter Sheridan is the Director of The Common Sense Alliance registered under Company Number 08080577. Peter and other founding members have a joint concern with regard to issues such as the TPD that have a potential to impact on other areas outside of health policy e.g. serious organised crime.

Responses to the letter should be to Peter and Roy directly as per the contact details on the

letter.”

Kind regards

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Sent: 22 March 2013 18:34
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Subject: RE: Letter from Roy Ramm and Peter Sheridan

Thanks Paul. I look forward to hearing from you next week.

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22/03/2013 18:13

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cc [REDACTED]DIS/DOH@DOH,
[REDACTED]@parliament.uk>

Subject RE: Letter from Roy Ramm and Peter Sheridan

Dear [REDACTED]

Thanks for your email. I will reply to your questions early next week if that's ok.

Kind regards
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]@dh.gsi.gov.uk [mailto:[REDACTED]@dh.gsi.gov.uk]

Sent: 22 March 2013 18:03

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]@dh.gsi.gov.uk

Subject: Fw: Letter from Roy Ramm and Peter Sheridan

Dear Paul,

Thank you for sending a copy of the Roy Ramm/Peter Sheridan letter to DH (via [REDACTED]). As the Public Health Minister promised, DH will respond to these correspondents.

However, I was interested to see that the letter was sent to the EU Sub-Committee by an intermediary. For the purposes of transparency, would you please confirm who the intermediary is and their contact details, and what interest the intermediary has in the proposed revision to the Tobacco Products Directive. That will assist us to determine whether to respond to the intermediary rather than to Messrs Ramm and Sheridan?

I was also curious about your suggestion that the letter has not been cleared for publication or further distribution. Are you still gaining the agreement of the signatories or the intermediary?

The letter itself was very clearly referred to and passed across to the Public Health Minister during the evidence session on 13 March (page 24 of the uncorrected evidence refers) so its existence is in the public domain. I can also confirm that the document now exists on DH's files. DH is subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and we tend to get many FOIA requests on tobacco. It is foreseeable that there could be an FOIA request for this letter. We would need to consider whether any exemptions would apply to its release. For example, if the authors or the intermediary would not want the letter released under Freedom of Information, we would need to understand the reasons why. So, maybe you could provide more information in these terms as well.

I look forward to hearing from you. Please give me a call if you wish to discuss.

Many thanks,
[REDACTED]

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Subject

Letter from Roy Ramm and Peter Sheridan

22/03/2013 16:21

Dear [REDACTED]

Further to your call just now, please find attached the letter we received from Roy Ramm and Peter Sheridan. This letter was actually sent to the Committee by an intermediary, and has not been cleared for publication on the Committee's website or for further distribution. I am therefore sending it to you to help clarify some of the questions put to the Minister on 13 March, and would be grateful if you did not distribute it further.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you need any further clarifications.

Regards

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