

To  
N. Karapanos  
Director of the Directorate for Medicines & Pharmacies  
Ministry of Health & Social Solidarity

Κοιν.: Prof. I. Tountas President of EOF  
Mrs. M. Skourolakou, Vice President of EOF

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Dear Mr. Karapanos,

Regarding the 23/5/2012 written request of the Ministry of Health & Social Solidarity re the submission of data by the pharmaceutical companies re the patent of medicines we would like to point out the following. The Ministerial Decision ΔΥΓ3(δ)/οικ.57364 (OJ 1907/B/15.6.2012) explicitly provides that the implementation of the transfer of the pricing responsibilities to EOF starts from 15 /6/2012.

At this point we would like to remind you that the pharmaceutical companies have recently been requested by EOF to submit the above data. Furthermore, it is indicated that this process is extremely time consuming and complicated for the pharmaceutical companies.

Therefore, we urge you to clarify immediately, given that the transfer of pricing responsibilities to EOF has been already completed, whether it is opportune to submit the above data to the Pricing Department of the Ministry of Health or the already existing data in EOF should be updated.

Sincerely,

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Director General

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Vice President