



Tobacco Europe AISBL
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Dear Ms Darge,

Thank you for your email. We remain by our Governing Board decision to terminate the membership of Tobacco Europe. Please note that Tobacco Europe itself was an EPC member within the category of Private Business Association (PBA). As such we can only correspond with Tobacco Europe on this matter as it is your membership that is terminated. The companies you mention were never members of the EPC via Tobacco Europe.

The controversy indicated in our letter is in relation to an investigation by the EU Ombudsman into tobacco lobbying. If you have questions about why DG Sante will not engage with the EPC while you are members, please write to them directly for an explanation.

Yours sincerely,

Declan Kelleher
EPC Governing Board Chair