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Mr. Peter ABELS
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**Subject: Outcome FOCAM project
End of ECHAMP's contract with Berlin Business Representation**

Dear Mr. Abels,

In the beginning of the year we launched a joint initiative to identify more politically reliable contacts in the European Parliament. The Working title of the initiative was FOCAM (Friends of Complementary Medicine) in it was executed by the ECHAMP liaison officer in Brussels, Peter Siebert.

The outcome of the project has been rather disappointing as you can see in the attached final report of Peter Siebert. Nevertheless we could identify some new MEPs who have particular interest in our subject and who can be addressed during our political activities in the coming months and years.

Furthermore we inform you on the fact that ECHAMP has decided already earlier this year to end the contract for co-operation we have since many years with our liaison officer in Brussels Peter Siebert at the end of this year. We already reduced the co-operation at the end of 2006 and we still could organise several interesting initiatives and projects with Peter Siebert in 2007. We look back to a very good and fruitful working relationship together with the Berlin Representation since the foundation of ECHAMP in 1999. We will address you in the beginning of 2008 with more information on how the support of the political work in Brussels will be re-organised for the coming years.

Last but not least we would very much like to discuss possible joint activities in 2008 and 2009 mainly because the MEPs will probably be more open for contacts with the citizens and their concerns in the 18 months before the elections of a new Parliament in June 2009. In order to discuss joint actions to raise awareness for CAM, but also to try to have our topics in the election programmes of the political parties, we shall organise an umbrella meeting in March, April or May 2008. Still this year we plan to send you some proposals for a date for that umbrella meeting to be held in Brussels.

We look forward to read your opinion on this last proposal.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Max Daege".

Max Daege
President

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Nand De Herdt
General Secretary