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To: ENTR PHARMACEUTICALS COUNTERFEIT
Subject: counterfeiting of drugs

Dear Sirs,

I am an Italian citizen and I happened to know about the initiative of the European Commission to prevent counterfeiting of drugs and about the possibility of sustaining the European Community to implement new rules in order to combat fake medicinal products, by sending you an opinion on this matter.

I understand that, at the time being, drugs which are widely sold in EU may contain chemical products of exotic origin (as it happened in the US with the heparin coming from China) and people, like myself, are not in the position to be safeguarded and to know where these chemical products, the active ingredients of the drugs are made and where the drugs themselves, really come from.

Being this a very important human health issue, I would like to sustain the proposal of the European Community to implement the necessary actions to guarantee all the essential controls and checks on the drug as whole (including its ingredients) and to grant all consumers all the indispensable information regarding the origin of the drug.

These principles are already applied in the food sector, where all products bear the country of origin and other important information and, in this way, consumers feel and are protected.

I hope this simple message of mine will be taken into consideration with the aim of contributing to the safety of all citizens.

Yours faithfully,

Paola De Sanna