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**NOTE FOR THE ATTENTION OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATIONS TO THE EU ON THE
JOINT ACTIONS 2017**

Your Excellency,

Subject: Health Programme in 2017 – Invitation to nominate competent authorities for the actions co-financed with Member State health authorities (*commonly referred to as ‘Joint Actions’*) in 2017

I am writing to you regarding the Joint Actions planned for 2017 under the work programme 2017 adopted on 26 January 2017, which includes six Joint Actions as follows:

- JA-01-2017 Joint Action on Health inequalities (€2,5 million EU co-funding)
- JA-02-2017 Joint Action - Innovative Partnership on Action against Cancer (€4,5 million EU co-funding)
- JA-03-2017 Joint Action on Vaccination (€3 million EU co-funding)
- JA-04-2017 Joint Action on preparedness and action at points of entry (air, maritime and ground crossing) (€3 million EU co-funding)
- JA-05-2017 Joint Action supporting the eHealth Network (€2,7 million EU co-funding)
- JA-06-2017 Joint Action on Health Information towards a sustainable EU health information system that supports country knowledge, health research and policy-making (€4 million EU co-funding)

The Consumers, Health, Agriculture and Food Executive Agency (Chafea) is mandated to implement these actions. From 2014 Joint Actions are granted only through a direct grant procedure. That means that there is no open call for Joint Actions and that participating competent authorities have to be formally nominated before the official proposal preparation process starts.

Articles 6, 7(2)(a) and 8 of the Health Programme Regulation 282/2014/EU and subsequently the **2017 Annual Work Programme** (from page 77 to 80) define the eligibility criteria for participation in Joint Actions

For Joint Actions planned within the **2017 Annual Work Programme**, the Member State/Country participating in the third Health Programme (MS/C) are invited to nominate one competent authority per joint action.

I therefore hereby invite you to **nominate the competent authorities (one per joint action) who will participate on behalf of your government** in one or more of the Joint Actions listed above.

In order to nominate the appropriate competent authority please read carefully annex 1 and 2.

The submission of the nominations of competent authorities will be done through the web based tool which you can access here:

<https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/JA2017>

The password is: **ECJA2017?**

The deadline for submission of competent authorities' nominations is 11 May 2017.

Nominations received after this deadline will be ineligible.

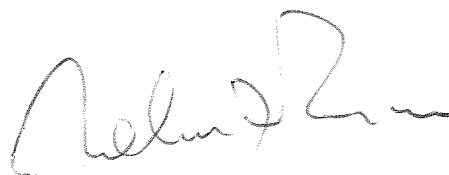
Please note that one *Info-day on Joint Actions* for all nominees is expected to take place in June in Luxembourg.

Supporting documents for the nominated competent authorities will be requested in line with the eligibility requirements mentioned above (eg. legal acts setting the competent authorities).

After the submission deadline, nominations will be checked by Chafea to verify that they fulfil the eligibility criteria.

I would be grateful if you could forward this message and the enclosed Annexes to the relevant authorities in order to ensure your country's participation in one or more of the Joint Actions2017.

Yours faithfully,



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Director

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Encl.:

Annex 1: **Submission of nominations for participation in Joint Actions 2017**

Annex 2: **Nominated competent authorities (i.e. beneficiary) and affiliated entities in Joint Actions 2017**