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Subject: Experts Reports on the Final Evaluation of IMI JU and Interim Evaluation of IMI2 JU

The report on the Final Evaluation of IMI JU as well as the report on the Interim Evaluation of IMI2 JU, have been prepared by the Expert Group established by the European Commission, and have been delivered to the Commission services on 30 June as is foreseen in the Regulation establishing IMI2 JU.

Moreover, these two reports have just been approved for publication by our Director General. You will find them enclosed, in accordance to the minutes of the meeting that took place on 19 July between our Director General and the Executive Directors of the Joint Undertakings. Please note that these reports will not be published before October this year, together with the corresponding Commission Staff Working Document, and the two reports still require minor format changes before publication. Also, we would like to ask you to share these reports with the IMI2 JU Governing Board members, under confidentiality.

We would appreciate if you could communicate to us your main observations and comments about these reports, by end of August, and invite the Governing Board members to comment by mid-September. Your feedback would be important in order to be potentially reflected in the Commission Staff Working Document under preparation.

We have ourselves identified some deficiencies in these reports. Notably, the experts should have more adequately analysed the extensive data provided to them, and the assessment of the main outputs and outcomes of IMI JU remains only very limited in the reports, despite the recommendations from the Commission services. Thus the reports do not clearly demonstrate the achievements of IMI.

Consequently, the Commission would like to prepare with IMI2 Programme Office a short fact sheet quantifying the main achievements of IMI, to be released in parallel with the evaluation reports. This would provide facts and figures, clearly demonstrating the value of IMI, and would complement the expert views.

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In our opinion, this would be a short document, identifying achievements in an as quantitative way as possible, instead of examples and success stories. We will start reflecting about the data that would be the most appropriate for this, and will come back to you shortly with our ideas. It is evident, that in addition to the data we have at our disposal at Commission services, we will need input from IMI2 JU Programme Office. In this perspective, we would appreciate if you could let us know with whom from your team we should liaise on this issue. We count very much on the support of IMI2 Programme Office and EFPIA for this important task.

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Encl.: Annex 1: Report on the final evaluation of IMI JU

Annex 2: Report on the interim evaluation of IMI2 JU