



To  
the Honourable  
Mr Dimitrios Kontos  
President of EOPYY

CC.: Mr Spyridon-Adonis Georgiadis, Minister of Health

Chalandri, August 20, 2013

**Subject: Clawback of the 1<sup>st</sup> six-months**

Dear Mr Kontos,

We were informed that EOPYY's intention is to commence the return of the 1<sup>st</sup> six-months clawback to the pharmaceutical companies until the end of the following week.

We would like to remind you that in the context of the mutual co-operation and trust regime (and without any unexpected surprises) which has developed with the leadership of the Ministry of Health, we have long ago agreed upon the prompt establishment of a Committee for the Monitoring of EOPYY's expenditure, **in order for any clawback amount to be transparently verified and returned, and most certainly, before the procedure for its return to the pharmaceutical companies commences.**

We would also like to remind you once again that the non-hospital pharmaceutical expenditure must not include, apparently, hospital medicines, i.e. 3816 1<sup>α</sup>, whose cost is **duly calculated in the Hospital Expenditure.**

In addition, we repeat that in order for equality against the law and justice to prevail and given that pharmaceutical industrial accounts for 2/3 of the transgression - the remainder 1/3 has been collected by other stakeholders including the State (VAT) - the clawback must be calculated at the ex-factory price and be calculated on a semi-annual basis, however being returned on an annual basis.

Moreover now, when all the above occurs while the annual target was "secretly" readjusted in the middle of the year, and EOPYY's expenditure changes almost every week for the preceding months ...

For all the above and other reasons as well, and given that the Minister has declared that a lawfully governed State must necessarily guarantee foreseeability for companies, we kindly request that the **Committee for the Monitoring of EOPYY's expenditure is promptly established, before the clawback is returned to the pharmaceutical companies.**

Yours sincerely,

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