

To
the Honorable
Mr. Yannis Stournaras
Minister of Finance

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Subject: SFEE report on the outstanding debts of the State towards the pharmaceutical companies

Dear Mr. Stournaras,

We are sending you the present letter re the crucial problem of the outstanding debts of the State towards the pharmaceutical companies. Despite our efforts, but also the commitments of the State for the immediate settlement of unpaid invoices, the problem has now reached explosive dimensions, as shown in the attached detailed report of SFEE.

More specifically, as shown by the attached data, the debts of the State towards SFEE member companies until **30/6/2012** were formed as follows:

- The total debts of **NHS hospitals** reached **€664 million** and concern outstanding invoices for **11 months**.
- The total debts of **EOPYY-IKA** reached **€568 million** and concern outstanding invoices for **18 months**.
- The total debts of **military hospitals** reached **€125 million**, out of which **€57 million** concern invoices issued during **2007-2010**.

It is therefore estimated that until **31/7/2012** the total debts of the State towards all the pharmaceutical companies will reach the exorbitant amount of **€1,65 billion!**

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SFEE has shown in practice that it understands the seriousness of the situation our country is facing. SFEE has borne during the last three years the implementation of painful, horizontal and often unfair measures, in order to contribute to the reduction of the public pharmaceutical budget. Furthermore, pharmaceutical companies have already suffered the heavy financial cost of the haircut of the bonds (with €1 billion damage), while having to incur extraordinary contributions, income tax, VAT etc., thus putting in question the viability of many companies, which were until recently healthy.

SFEE urges you to personally address this issue in order to avoid shortages of medicines in public hospitals and EOPYY pharmacies.

We remain at your disposal in order to find a comprehensive solution.

Faithfully yours,

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President