



European Parliament's plenary vote on the Report containing the European Parliament's recommendations to the European Commission on the negotiations for the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP)

Dear Member of the European Parliament,

Ahead of the 8 July vote in the European Parliament's plenary on its recommendations to the European Commission on the TTIP, the Pharmaceutical Group of the European Union (PGEU), the Standing Committee of European Doctors (CPME), and Council of European Dentists (CED) call upon you to

support § 1, point b, point vii

on the exclusion of services in the general (economic) interest, including health:

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"to build on the joint statement reflecting the negotiators' clear commitment to exclude current and future Services of General Interest as well as Services of General Economic Interest from the scope of application of TTIP, (including but not limited to water, health, social services, social security systems and education), to ensure that national and if applicable local authorities retain the full right to introduce, adopt, maintain or repeal any measures with regards to the commissioning, organisation, funding and provision of public services as provided in the Treaties as well as in the EU's negotiating mandate; this exclusion should apply irrespective of how the services are provided and funded;"

as it stands.

We trust in your commitment towards a strong set of recommendations and remain at your disposal for any clarification you may need.

Yours sincerely,

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