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To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Michael Brodie [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: OFFICIAL: Investigation into breach of Tobacco & Related Products Regulations

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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your letter to Michael Brodie, PHE Chief Executive on 23rd November 2020.

PHE notes BAT's concerns of cigarettes being sold in the UK that BAT considers contains menthol as a characterising flavour.

On the 7th July, PHE was advised by the EU Commission the Swedish Competent Authority, as the initiating Member State, were investigating cigarettes being sold that are suspected of containing characterising flavour. This is in accordance to Article 3 of the EU Commission implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/779.

We would like to remind you of the correct route to notify tobacco and herbal products to be sold in the United Kingdom (UK) is through the European Union Common Entry Gate (EU-CEG) until 31st December 2020. From 1st January 2021 notifications for products to be sold in Great Britain (England Scotland and Wales) will need to be made to the new GB Domestic Notification System. Products to be sold in Northern Ireland should continue to be made to the EU-CEG.

It is PHE's policy to routinely publish correspondences with the industry, including this correspondence which is not considered to be commercial in confidence.

Kind regards,

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