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Dear Sir Wormald,

We are following up on our letter we sent you on 29 February 2024. We note that, to date, we have not received a response. I would be grateful if you could please provide us with your response by 28 March 2024 at the latest. In the circumstances, all our rights remain reserved.

Warm regards,
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 29, 2024 2:43 PM
To: [REDACTED] dhsc.publicenquiries@dhsc.gov.uk
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Subject: Letter from BAT UK and Imperial Tobacco

Dear Sir Wormald,

Please find a letter attached from BAT UK and Imperial Tobacco Limited in relation to the Government's statement in its response to the consultation "Creating a smokefree generation and tackling youth vaping" (Consultation), published on 29 January 2024 and updated on 12 February 2024 (Consultation Response), that it has not considered the consultation responses submitted by respondents with disclosed links to the tobacco industry.

We are deeply concerned that the decision to exclude consultation responses submitted by respondents with disclosed links to the tobacco industry, both in respect of this Consultation and as a potential approach of the Government to future consultations on measures that impact the tobacco industry. As explained in the letter, nothing in Article 5.3 of the FCTC requires the Government to exclude evidence put forward by tobacco companies in an open consultation process. The exclusion of consideration of evidence submitted by stakeholders with links to the tobacco industry is a breach of the principles of procedural fairness, as well as the Government's own guidance.

I look forward to your reply.

Warm regards,
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