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Re Dr. N. Lavranos's switch to EFILA and GIP

Dear Mrs. Vervest, Mrs. Cann and Mrs. Knottnerus,

Thank you for your letter dated November 17, 2014. Although I can confirm that Dr. Lavranos ended his work for the Dutch Government, I hope you will understand that I cannot discuss personnel matters with external parties. Therefore, I cannot answer your questions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 and 10. This leaves me with answering your questions 1 and 7.

1. Does the Dutch government require staff to apply for authorization when accepting new external roles? Are there rules in place to regulate the 'revolving door', and if so what are they?

Answer: Article 61 ARAR stipulates the rules for external activities executed by Dutch civil servants. As for the 'revolving door' policy, this is only relevant if the government would hire the former civil servant for similar purposes, which is not the case here.

7. Has Dr. Lavranos had any official contacts with the Dutch government since he started to work for EFILA and GIP?

Answer: No.

I am looking forward to a fruitful cooperation with TNI, CEO and SOMO in the area of trade policy and investment protection.

Kind regards,



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