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The Chair
Committee on Petitions

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Subject: Petition No. 1701/2014

Dear Mr Smith,

Further to my letter of 6 January 2016, I would like to inform you that the Committee on Petitions continued its examination of your petition at its meeting of 2 June 2016 taking due account of the written information provided by the European Commission.

I am enclosing a copy of the Commission's considered opinion for your information, in the form of a notice to members. As you will see, the European Commission found no evidence of vulture poisoning attributed to diclofenac products in the EU since 1993. Furthermore, no EU Member State expressed support for the initiation of a Union referral procedure where the withdrawal of the marketing authorisations for veterinary medicinal products containing diclofenac would be considered. The most appropriate way to address the issue at the moment in the EU is to introduce suitable and effective risk management measures by Member States at national level, taking into account the specificities of the individual Member States' situation.

On the basis of this opinion, with which it is in broad agreement, the Committee on Petitions decided to conclude its consideration of your petition, and thus close the file.

Yours sincerely,



Cecilia Wikström
Chair
Committee on Petitions

Annex: Reply from the Commission (CM1082607)