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Subject:EDPS comments on EU Medicines Agencies Network Strategy to 2020

Dear Mr Pott,

I am writing in reply to your letter of 23 April 2015, consulting the EDPS on the EU Medicines Agencies Network Strategy to 2020.

We welcome such consultation of the EDPS, which follows the exchange of views that took place at the workshop on the WEB-RADR project in December 2014. You will find attached a note containing our comments in the format you requested.

I note that several aspects of your Strategy relate to priorities underlined in our Strategy for 2015-2019, in particular as regards the digital area (*e.g.* the opportunities opened by Big Data), the reliance on new technologies and the partnership with other authorities towards a more efficient policy response. I therefore see many opportunities to continue our fruitful collaboration in the future, and in helping you develop projects that are respectful of individuals' privacy and data protection.

Our services are at your disposal, should you need any clarification in relation with this letter and the attached comments.

Yours sincerely,

(SIGNED)

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Annex: Comments to the EU Medicines Agencies Network Strategy to 2020

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