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SANCO-C4, NUTRITION ON GREENPAPER DEPT,
EUROPEAN COMMISSION FOR HEALTH,

DEAR SIR / MADAM,

FOLLOWING THE RECENT PUBLICATION OF THE GREEN PAPER ON PROMOTING NUTRITION FOR HEALTH, WE ARE EXTREMELY DELIGHTED TO FORWARD YOU OUR SATISFACTION FIRST OF ALL OF THIS TAILORMADE VITAL DOCUMENT, WITH WELL DEVISED SOLUTIONS. WHILE WE REMAIN OPTIMISTIC ABOUT ANY FUTURE ACTION AND THE FULFILMENT OF MAJOR ISSUES, WE ARE ALSO SAD TO SAY YEAR IN YEAR OUT, WE HAVE BEEN FILLED WITH FALSE PROMISES AND LITTLE ACTION TO EITHER BACK THE ACTIONS OF ORGANISATIONS LIKE OURS OR YOUR OWN POLICIES, THROUGH INTENSE POLITICKING. HERE IS HOW THINGS STAND AS WE RELATE.

EXAMPLE 1: IN 2001 WE DISCOVERED THE MAJOR DEFICIENCIES IN DIETARY PATTERNS OF THE HUMAN POPULATION IN EUROPE AND ASIA, COMPARED TO MEDITERANEANS, LEADING TO MAJOR DISEASES. FOLLOWING EXTENSIVE RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS, SURVEYS AND FIELD WORK, WE CONCLUDED A PANDEMIC WAS ALREADY INFLECTING THE CONCERNED COMMUNITIES AND COUNTRIES AND CONTINENTS CONCERNED. WHERE RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES HAVE SINCE ADMITTED OUR FINDINGS, YET IGNORED THE ISSUE.

EXAMPLE 2: ONE RECENT SURVEY SHOWS TODAY, ONE IN THREE CHILDREN AGED 3-14 IS NOW CLASSED OVERWEIGHT AND OBESE DIRECTLY RELATED TO EATING HABITS. IF THIS IS NOT EVIDENCE ENOUGH FOR US TO PROMOTE HEALTHIER LIFESTYLES AND CURB EATING DISORDERS IN THIS DAY AND TIME, ESPECIALLY AIMED AT OUR CHILDREN, THEN WE ARE BECOMING A SOCIETY IN EXTINCTION SOON.

EXAMPLE 3: TWO THREATS DOMINATED HEADLINES IN 2005-DISEASES AND NATURAL DISASTERS. WHILE BOTH EXPOSES THE DEPTHS OF OUR IGNORANCE, THE FIRST ONE IS CONTENABLE AND PREVENTABLE, AS FOR THE SECOND ITS VERY OFTEN AN UNEXPECTED AND UNCONTENABLE CURSE ON HUMANITY. THE IMPACT OF HEALTH ON OUR ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENT IS BEYOND DOUBT OF MAJOR SIGNIFICANCE, YET WE REMAIN SLOW IN ACTING AT A CHAOTIC TIME AS NOW.

THESE EXAMPLES CLEARLY SHOWS BADLY FOR THE FUTURE HEALTH OF OUR POPULATION. WE ARE ALREADY RAISING A GENERATION OF PEOPLE WITH A SHORTER LIFE EXPECTANCY. OUR GOAL IS TO HELP COMBAT THIS DISASTER, SEEING AND PARTENERING WITH GOVERNMENTS, HEALTH AUTHORITIES AND VARIOUS RESPONSIBLE ORGANISATIONS TO ACT ON THE ROOT CAUSES OF ILL HEALTH. WE HAVE SPENT THE PAST 5 YEARS REACHING OUT TO POLICY MAKERS AND CIVIL SOCIETY MEMBERS IN AUTHORITY TO REACT, BUT TO NO AVAIL.

WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING WITH THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION, THE INTERNATIONAL OLIVE OIL COUNCIL AND THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION FOR AGRICULTURE AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES. NEVER THE LESS, PROGRESS HAS BEEN EXTREMELY SLOW IN FORTHCOMING AT A CRUCIAL TIME AS NOW. SO WE THINK THIS IS A BIG BRANCH OF HOPE AND NOT JUST ANOTHER EYE WASHING POLICY THAT WILL JUST STAY UNDER THE CARPET. WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE HAND IN HAND, SEIZING THIS OPPORTUNITY IN MAKING SOME VALUABLE CONTRBUTIONS BASED UPON OUR IMMENSE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE, IN ORDER TO TAKE SOME CONSTRUCTIVE ACTION, ONTO OUR PRECIOUS INPUT.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING YOUR FEEDBACKS IN THE NEAREST DELAY. THANKING YOU IN ADVANCE.

YOURS SINCERELY

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