

Dear Mr Kyprianou,

I read in the press that you presented the Green Paper "Towards a Europe free from tobacco smoke: policy options at EU level" a short while ago.

I like a bit of tobacco and will not let you treat me like a common criminal. For smokers and non-smokers to get on together, tolerance is what we need and not the rule-making frenzy of Brussels.

This principle of tolerance has worked well for decades even - and indeed especially - without government interference. Have you no sense of enjoyment that you want to stop me enjoying myself?

How much further do you intend to go?

What will you ban next? The odd glass of wine or beer? Chocolate or jelly babies? It is precisely EU initiatives such as these that ruin Europe for me.

Stick to what you are supposed to do and leave me my pleasures!

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards

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