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Sub: Issues of conflicts of interests , agenda for the NCPDR

Dear Dr. Sinha,

We would like to draw your attention to the existing *Infant Milk Substitutes Feeding Bottles, and Infant Foods (Regulation of Production, Supply and Distribution) Act 1992, and Amendment Act 2003.*

We enclose our "Statement of Concern" regarding 'association' of Government of India officials with the food corporate Nestle, who incidentally is facing criminal proceedings in the Court at Delhi in violation of the above law.

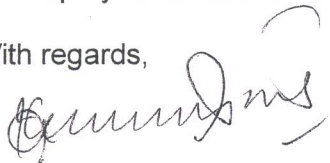
We are concerned about the strategy "manipulation by association" which such companies have the history of applying.

We are extremely concerned because obvious of conflicts of interests growing in policy development especially in Nutrition and Health. We therefore request you to take up this matter as work of the NCPDR and initiate development of a policy to identify, prevent and manage conflicts of interests in public policy on Nutrition and Health.

Enclosed is a 2012 World Health Assembly resolution to which Government of India is committed to do this work.

We hope you will take serious consideration of this matter,

With regards,



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