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To:
The Parliamentary Portfolio Committee on Trade and Industry
Parliament of RSA
c/o Mrs MA Williams

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Ref: Competition Amendment Bill (B31-2008)

Mrs Williams

Please find the following submission which we would like to have addressed with regard to cartel conduct in the medical profession:

"It is proposed that the amendment include a formulation to make it possible for the Commission to investigate and act upon instances in the medical profession and industry where prices are "manipulated" by way of barring specialist practice on the basis of alleged special expertise. A case in point is radiologists who unilaterally and monopolistically attempt to suppress competition from other specialist in the field of imaging."

Sincerely

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