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**Subject: Your alert of 28 May 2015 with reference TR-A-2015-8**

Dear Ms Freeman,

Further to the notification of 11 June 2015, by which we informed you of our intention to carefully examine your alert concerning a number of entities in the Transparency Register, with regard to the data provided in the Register, I am now writing to inform you of the outcome of our examination and contacts with the registrants concerned.

We checked the data provided by the 90 registrants in the sub section law firms and performed a total of 52 quality checks for any cases of registrations which did not appear to be coherent, or were not in line with the Guidelines provided for registrants. These quality checks led to 25 updates and 27 registrants being removed from the Register.

In addition, we contacted all registrants concerned by the issue of outdated financial data (five registrants as part of this alert) asking them to update their data. These quality checks led to four updates and one registrants being removed from the Register. We also introduced a technical restriction which will no longer allow registrants to provide financial years dating back more than n-2.

We carried out a quality check on the two organisations you indicated as "strange-looking" and the result was an update on their part and both quality checks are closed.

Finally, I would like to reassure you of the objective of the Joint Transparency Register Secretariat to keep the data contained in the Register as accurate and meaningful as possible.

Yours sincerely,

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Coordinator of the  
Joint Transparency Register Secretariat