

GAMBS Hubert (CAB-HAHN)

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From: GAMBS Hubert (CAB-HAHN)
Sent: Monday 13 February 2012 15:43
To: 'Kaisa-Maria Soro'
Subject: RE: Mtg request on Swedish snus

no meeting date place!

No problem: Let's talk again in March.

From: Kaisa-Maria Soro [<mailto:KSoro@kreabgavinanderson.com>]
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2012 3:42 PM
To: GAMBS Hubert (CAB-HAHN)
Subject: RE: Mtg request on Swedish snus

Dear Hubert

I am very sorry – my client is forced to cancel our meeting tomorrow, she needs to fly to Stockholm for a snus-emergency..

Can we reschedule in two-three weeks from now? Next alternatives would be Friday 2 March or Tuesday 6 March, whatever suits you best.

Kind regards

Kaisa

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Dear Kaisa-Maria,

Let's meet next Tuesday at 11:00 in my office.

Kind regards,

Hubert

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To: GAMBS Hubert (CAB-HAHN)
Subject: Mtg request on Swedish snus

Dear Hubert

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As discussed, I would very much appreciate an opportunity to come and meet with you about the special case of Swedish snus and its current sales ban on the EU internal market whenever you have a moment.

I have been working on this case for several years together with Swedish Match, the world's largest snus producers, the Finnish Shipowners' association and the Government of the Åland islands.

Would you have 30 minutes in your calendar to have a brief discussion on this situation, to meet with me and Cecilia Kindstrand-Isaksson, the Director of the Swedish Match EU office?

We would very much like to exchange views with you regarding the issue of current sales restriction of the Swedish snus in the EU internal market, as well as the impact of the sales ban on the economy and trade of the Baltic Sea region.

As you know, the sale of Swedish snus is currently banned on the EU internal market (with the exception of Sweden), but it is sold on the ships between Finland and Sweden.

Being an oral tobacco product, the issue is topical now as the Commission (DG Sanco) prepares a review of the Directive 2001/37/EC on the sale of tobacco products, expected later this year or early next, and we are trying to raise consciousness of the economic arguments related to this legislation - in addition to the obvious health impacts which will naturally be on the primary focus of the Health Commissioner Dalli.

Cecilia and I could come to Berlaymont for a brief meeting for example on Friday or someday next week, whatever suits you best.

Kind regards,

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