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To whom it may concern

It is my pleasure to write this letter in support of the application “A32. Phenelzine – treatment-resistant depression” to the WHO to include tranylcypromine and phenelzine in the Essential Medicine List. This is a relevant step to ensure the continued use and supply of these essential medicines, which are crucial to treatment of resistant depression.

The European Brain Council is a network of key players in the “Brain Area”, with a membership encompassing patient organisations, scientific societies, professional societies and industry partners. As Executive Director, I am firmly convinced that these drugs are necessary in cure of severe affective disorders.

With this letter, I would like to express my full support to the efforts of PsychoTropical Research in going an extra-mile towards treatment of resistant depression.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director