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Member of the European Commission

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Dear Mr Spatz,

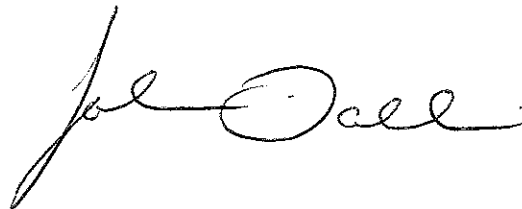
Thank you for your letter of 17 December, and for your earlier e-mail of 27 November that the Secretariat general of the European Commission replied to on my behalf, in which you raise concerns regarding the participation of the President in the "united dreams of Europe" book.

I have brought your letter to the attention of the President and would like to reiterate that the President's contribution to this book is not in any way related to the issue of tobacco nor to the tobacco industry.

Let me further assure you that the European Commission is aware, and respects, the WHO Framework Convention for Tobacco Control's guidelines on relations with the tobacco industry.

May I wish you much success in your work for a smoke free society.

Yours sincerely,



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