

## RUSSIAN FEDERATION FEDERAL ANTIMONOPOLY SERVICE

To: Mr. Hassan Qaqaya
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Palais de Nations CH-1211 Geneva 10 Switzerland

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Re: World Competition day

Dear Mr. Qaqaya,

The Federal Antimonopoly Service of the Russian Federation (the FAS Russia) would like to express our interest and support the idea proposed by CUTS International to mark 5<sup>th</sup> of December as *the World Competition Day*.

Various events can be held to raise awareness of competition development and its positive impact on consumers and the economy overall on the national and international levels. Dedication of a particular date as *The Competition Day* would make activities in the field of competition more efficient and prominent.

We appreciate the initiation of CUTS and UNCTAD as well as your support of establishing the *World Competition Day*.

As you may be aware, the FAS Russia have a tradition to annually hold international workshops for foreign Competition Authorities at the FAS Russia aiming



at exchange of experience and share best practices. This event is usually held in the month of December.

We presume this event can be a good platform to commemorate *the World Competition Day* in Russia. Moreover, at the last year's event we already announced the information on *the World Competition Day* (the information on this is in the FAS Russia's press-release at <a href="http://en.fas.gov.ru/news/news">http://en.fas.gov.ru/news/news</a> 32617.html).

This year we will have the workshop in the Regional Competition Training Center in Kazan which will again serve as a good occasion for exchange of experience on law enforcement, advocacy and competition policy development.

We hope that our joint cooperation will develop further while organizing more events to mark 5<sup>th</sup> of December as *the World Competition Day*.

Sincerely yours,

Igor Artemyev Head