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Dear Mr. Qaqaya,

Firstly, it is highly appreciated that UNCTAD and CUTS took the initiative to establish the World Competition Day (WCD). We would like to confirm our strong support for the celebration of this event, which, as we believe, enhance the effectiveness of competition policy enforcement at the broader scale. Moreover, entailed activities related to this event would strengthen the cooperation activities among competition authorities and raise the awareness among stakeholders about the antitrust regulations.

Secondly, we completely agree to continue using the theme *“Adverse Impact of Cartels on the Poor”* for this year. It is widely recognized that cartel and the abuse of market power lead to detrimental effects on the business environment and huge economic damage for the individual nation. Hence, it is vital that UNCTAD and CUTS emphasize on this theme in order to build the awareness among consumers regarding the adverse impact of cartels.

Lastly, in the near future, VCA would demonstrate our support by integrating the advocacy activities for the WCD into our advocacy program so as to contribute to promoting the WCD at the international level.

Kind regards,

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