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Department of Health
Therapeutic Goods Administration

Mr Kristof Wing
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Dear Mr Wing

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI 091-1415
Notice of Withdrawal

I refer to your request dated 28 October 2014 under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the FOI Act) for access to the following documents:

"I am requesting any of the following from between 01 January 2014 and today, 28 October 2014, regarding Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd and its international subsidiaries:

- Any Internal Communications, including emails and letters, regarding the regulatory actions of and results of inspections undertaken by the Food and Drugs Administration or Health Canada of facilities owned and/ or managed by Ranbaxy and its subsidiaries,

- Internal Communications, including emails and letters, regarding the safety of pharmaceuticals produced by Ranbaxy and its subsidiaries which have previously received regulatory approval."

Deemed Withdrawal

In the TGA's letter to you of 25 November 2014 you were advised that the TGA was satisfied that a "practical refusal reason" exists in relation to your request. You were advised that your request would substantially and unreasonably divert TGA staff from the performance of their day-to-day functions because of the number of files and documents involved. At that time you were afforded fourteen (14) days to respond to the Request Consultation Process by either:

- withdrawing your request;
- making a revised request; or
- indicating that you do not wish to revise your request.

As the fourteen (14) day period has now lapsed and I have not received a response from you, I consider the matter to be withdrawn. If you have any questions in relation to this matter please contact Elizabeth Santolin on (02) 6232 8664.

Yours sincerely

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Head, Office of Manufacturing Quality
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