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**CC:** [redacted] [redacted] <[redacted] @minvws.nl>  
**Onderwerp:** RE: MSD Update

Dear [redacted]

Thank you for your e-mail. On behalf of minister Bruins I have to inform you that he has asked me to take care of this case. I will come back to you as soon as we have discussed your letter internally.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
Ministry of Health

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**Van:** [redacted] <[redacted] @merck.com>  
**Verzonden:** maandag 9 maart 2020 18:56  
**Aan:** [redacted] [redacted] <[redacted] @minvws.nl>  
**Onderwerp:** RE: MSD Update

### Proprietary

Dear [redacted]

I appreciate that you must be very busy managing the current situation with CoVID 19. I am also very aware of the timelines that you set out in your recent response to our letter of 24<sup>th</sup> January. I wanted to let you know that further to my previous email I have today copied you into a formal letter of request to meet face to face together with Minister Bruins in the interests of finding a sustainable solution [redacted] buiten verzoek

I am treating this matter with the utmost of importance and will make myself available to fit with your availability at this challenging time.

Yours sincerely

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**Cc:** [redacted] [redacted] <[redacted] @merck.com>  
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Dear [redacted]

Thank you for reaching out. To confirm, yes our dual objectives are the continued well-being of our workforce and the maintained supply of our important medicines and vaccines.

I would be more than happy to provide you with more information and take you through our response to the current outbreak from the development perspective.

Given that we also have the critical topic of [redacted] buiten verzoek and the important step of creating a new independent healthcare company, of which a significant proportion of employees will be based here in the Netherlands. Can I suggest that a face to face meeting at your earliest convenience might be the best way to proceed?

I could make myself available to come to Den Haag next week if this should work for you?

I look forward to progressing the conversation on all fronts

Yours sincerely

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Dear [redacted]

Thank you for your mail. If I am correct I read primarily that MSD will work to ensure the effective supply of medicines. That is of course good to hear. If there is specific information on the supply chains that you can share with us we are of course interested. Is MSD also active on the research and potential production of a vaccine for COVID19? Could you inform us on that part?

Thank you in advance

Sincerely,

[redacted]

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**Van:** [redacted] <[redacted]@merck.com>  
**Verzonden:** zaterdag 29 februari 2020 07:10  
**Aan:** [redacted] <[redacted]@minvws.nl>; Bruins, B.J. (Bruno) <[redacted]@minvws.nl>  
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**Onderwerp:** MSD Update

**Proprietary**

Dear Minister Bruins & [redacted]

I am aware that we have several topics of importance that I look forward to speaking further about in the coming weeks. The purpose of this email is however, to reassure you as to our response to the CO-VID19 outbreak and provide you with a point of contact should you have any questions regarding the continuity of supply of our important medicines and vaccines.

As you know MSD is a major manufacturer of medicines and vaccines for both Human & Animal Health. We have been working with our 6000 employees across our 5 sites of manufacturing and supply chain here in the Netherlands to ensure that we prioritise both our employee well-being and maintain the effective supply of medicines, to which we ship to 140 countries around the world. If I can help you with any information regarding our preparations and precautionary measures, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

Your sincerely

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