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**In reply please  
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Dear Ms Sachse,

I have pleasure in informing you that, at its 136th session in January 2015, the WHO Executive Board decided to admit the Global Medical Technology Alliance into official relations with the World Health Organization (WHO). A copy of the relevant resolution is attached.

I am pleased that the Board has made this decision and take this opportunity to convey my hope that it will serve to enhance our collaboration. In this connection, I would like to confirm that Mrs Adriana Velazquez Berumen, Senior Adviser, Policy, Access and Use, will serve as the Designated Technical Officer for our relations and with whom I would encourage you to be in contact for the implementation of the mutually agreed plan for collaboration. From Global Medical Technology Alliance's entry in the application for official relations it is understood that you serve as your organization's focal point.

I would also like to bring to your attention that the WHO Executive Board during its 136th session deliberated WHO's Framework of engagement with non-State actors, which includes nongovernmental organizations. The Member States will further revise the Framework and submit it to the Sixty-eight World Health Assembly in May 2015 for its deliberations and decision. Information on that will be provided to all non-State actors once available. The implementation of this Framework would bring some changes to WHO's relations with non-State actors in official relations. You will be informed about these changes in due course.

Should you have any queries about our formal relations, please feel free to contact Ms Taina Nakari in the Department for Policy and Strategic Directions at [civilsociety@who.int](mailto:civilsociety@who.int).

I look forward to the continuing support and collaboration of your organization in implementing activities to achieve global health goals.

Yours sincerely,

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Encl : Resolution