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Sir,

Let me first let you know that I very sincerely share your feelings about the contents of the MOT program of the Finnish Broadcasting Company. In reference to your letters and given the short time available for a reply, I want to bring to your attention the following:

The Board of Directors of Patria assigned an internal board committee to study the processes and procedures within the group. The committee is assisted by external experts – lawyers and auditors - and its work will also cover other issues than the Slovenian project. The report of the committee is an internal document addressed to the Patria Board of Directors. It is not public or official.

In an interim report the committee states to my understanding that the systems and procedures in the group are on an appropriate level. As for the contracts in question, they all contain proper anticorruption provisions.

As previously and on several occasions announced by Patria, the company has checked thoroughly its documentation relating to the Slovenian deal. The statements by Patria's top management "Nobody working in Patria has ever paid any bribes to Slovenian authorities or governmental officials" and "All payments made by Patria have been based on appropriate contracts" are still valid. Nothing has changed in relation to these statements and this is also in line with the findings of the investigation committee.

The National Bureau of Investigation is conducting the official police inquiry on the Slovenian deal and Patria assists the police in their investigation. The investigators have seized material for their purposes and they have also been provided with all the additional material they have asked for. The company has no access to the material relating to the police investigation.

In as what comes to the allegations made by the TV-program MOT, Patria is not aware of what documents the TV-program MOT was referring to in its broadcast or from which sources these documents might have been obtained. No documentation with the claimed compromising contents of identities of Slovenian government officials has been uncovered in Patria by the company.



However Patria has no means of controlling the ways the local media in Finland operates. Patria does not share the views and allegations presented in the TV-program.

As the new CEO, my sincere wish is to get this issue cleared as soon as possible. I will keep you updated and I am prepared to continue the dialog with you in person.

Yours truly



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