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Dear Yan Vlasov,

Thank you so much for your kind letter of 28 November in relation to my visit to the conference of the All-Russian Union of Patients.

It was a pleasure to attend the conference, providing me with an opportunity to participate and learn about developments in Russia. Thanks to the excellent translation provided by Irina Miaskova of the Russian Association of Rare Diseases I also was able to understand some of the open discussion between Government officials and representatives of the patient organisations.

I thought the conference was very well organised and the opportunity for debate, both amongst the organisations and between organisations and the government representatives was very impressive. Those last discussions were much more vibrant than I might have expected and that says much about the skill and attention with which you prepared the conference.

In that context I very much hope you will be able to make progress with your proposals and look forward to hearing about future developments on that.

Lastly, let me thank you very for the very warm welcome I received from you, for the excellent briefing beforehand from Pavel Zlobin and for the kindness of Michael who met me at the airport.

I hope our paths may cross again before too long, be it during MSIF meetings and ECTRIMS in Barcelona or some time in future years in Russia!

With warm regards and all best wishes,

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