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To Anne-Grete Strom-Erichsen Helse- og omsorgsminister Norge

Best regards,

The importance of drug free treatment was addressed at the 3rd World Forum Against Drugs in Stockholm, Sweden May 21-23, 2012. Clinicians, researchers and NGO representatives from all over the world underlined the great values and effectiveness of drug-free treatment.

We take the liberty to address ourselves to you with the following concern. How can it be that in Norway, one of the world's most affluent countries, administrators/politicians are prepared to close down Phoenix House, a well-functioning, drug free treatment centre, which for 20 years has proven to be a safe haven for persons who when in drug abuse pose a danger to themselves and to others?

We hereby express our hopes that Phoenix House Haga will be given the means to continue it's important work, a work that is both humanitarian cost-effective.

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