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To whom it may concern

I am very worried about the upcoming VAT on health products this will have a serious impact on old and vulnerable people who buy health products to help maintain their health, I personally use them for pains in my joints and stomach problems, this has helped me financially as I don't have a medical card so doctor's visits are avoided.

Putting VAT on health products will have a detrimental effect on small towns , loads of shops are closing so there is very little employment and adding health stores and pharmacies to the list of shops closing we will have nothing but ghost towns.

Applying VAT has no Policy Basis, long standing policy, practice and precedent has been that food supplements have been zero VAT rated as foods for over 40 years. To suggest that this policy has no legal basis or proof in practise is incorrect as revenue have implemented 0% VAT on food supplements since VAT was first introduced.

Thank you for your time in reading my email I hope this will help you your decision making

Regards

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