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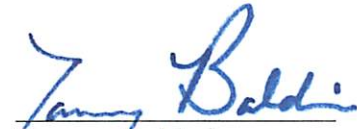
Dear Mr. Gonzalez,


We write to congratulate you on AbbVie's recent agreement with the U.S. government-supported Medicines Patent Pool (MPP) to enhance access to your innovative HIV drugs lopinavir and ritonavir in pediatric formulations. Your agreement will be instrumental in providing children in developing countries with critical and affordable HIV treatments. Earlier this year, we expressed hope that negotiations would be successful in improving access to treatments for the nearly 2 million children who lack access to highly-effective HIV medicines in many poor countries, and we now commend you for this noteworthy achievement.

AbbVie's agreement to partner with the MPP represents a steadfast commitment to improve the lives of people living with HIV in developing countries by offering patents for key drugs to ensure vital treatments may be made available at the most affordable cost. This agreement is particularly impactful, as adequate medicines suited to the unique needs of children are often inaccessible.

We strongly applaud your agreement with the MPP and your significant efforts in helping to achieve an AIDS-free generation. We look forward to continued successes in your ongoing collaboration with the MPP.

Sincerely,

  
Tammy Baldwin  
United States Senator

  
Tom A. Coburn, M.D.  
United States Senator