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Dear Dr. Carome,

On behalf of Mr. William B. Schultz, Acting General Counsel and Dr. Howard K. Koh, Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services, I am writing to thank you for your letter of February 14, 2013. As you noted in the letter, the document posted on the CFSAC website titled "*High Priority Recommendations from CFSAC*" had not been discussed or approved by the full Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Advisory Committee (CFSAC) at a public meeting. Our highest priority is to ensure that CFSAC operates openly and in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) and CFSAC's charter.

We plan to present the document at the 2013 spring CFSAC meeting for full discussion. The document has been removed from the CFSAC website.

Sincerely,

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