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PE1517/S

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Convenor of the Public Petitions Committee

Scotland National Office

by email

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Dear Convenor,

Petition PE1517 – Polypropylene Mesh Medical Devices

Thank you for contacting the British Medical Association (BMA) with regards to the above petition and I would like to apologise for this late response.

The BMA recognises that many women have suffered complications following the insertion of a polypropylene mesh medical device, however as a trade union/professional association the BMA does not issue guidance on clinical matters, therefore it will not be appropriate for us to respond to the detail of this petition.

If you haven't already done so the BMA would suggest that the Committee may wish to contact the Scottish division of the Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, who have a role in the quality and standards of care and who would in a better position to offer a professional input on the evidence base and effectiveness of this petition.

Yours sincerely,

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