



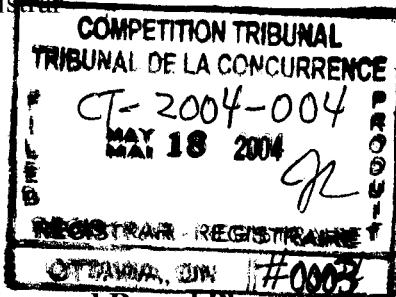
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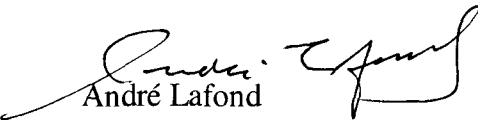
TRIBUNAL DE LA CONCURRENCE

Dear Ms. Séguin:

**Re: Paradise Pharmacy Inc. and Rymal Pharmacy Inc. And Novartis
Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc./Novartis Pharma Canada Inc. CT-2004-04**

This is to certify pursuant to section 103.1 of the *Competition Act* that the above-captioned matter is not the subject of an inquiry nor was it the subject of an inquiry that has been discontinued because of a settlement between the Commissioner of Competition and the targeted person.

Yours sincerely,


André Lafond
Deputy Commissioner of Competition
(Civil Matters)