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Dear Professor Pâques

COMPENSATION FOR SURVIVING BRITISH THALIDOMIDE VICTIMS

The plight of our 469 British Thalidomide survivors, who have yet to receive their due compensation from Grünenthal, is a truly shameful and appalling state of affairs, which is a sad indictment of your Company.

So far, compensation has been allocated by our Government through the British taxpayers over a period of 10 years but this falls considerably short of the amount these marvellous people deserve. Why has there been no compensation from your company when it is your drug which created this disaster?

After looking into the case of our Thalidomide victims, I strongly feel that after 50 years of turmoil from the greatest pharmaceutical disaster in our history, you should now show genuine compassion rather than apologise (late in 2012) and expedite the process of setting up a fund as you did for the 3,000 victims in Continental Europe.

This fund should be established to "properly" compensate our thalidomide survivors and I look forward to your response and actions on this shocking issue.

Yours sincerely

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