Theo Richel

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The Groene Rekenkamer Att. Chairman Dr. Ir. Adriaan de Lange Postbus 50 NL-4460 AA Kapelle The Netherlands

Dear Sir,

Re. Infringement of Copyright and Registered Trademark.

I am writing to you on behalf of the Danish OOA Foundation. It has been brought to our attention that your organisation De Groene Rekenkamer displays a logo which clearly is representing an infringement of our copyrights and trademark rights.

The OOA Foundation belongs to the Danish antinuclear movement and is the owner of all intellectual property rights, copyrights and trademark rights to the world famous antinuclear logo, in general referred to as "The Smiling Sun". The logo has in1977 been registered as a trademark in Denmark and later in Benelux and other European countries as well. These national registrations have been exchanged

with an EU Community Trademark Registration (No 004193091), effective from 14.12.2004. The registerered Smiling-sun-logo is a figurative mark with the wording "NUCLEAR POWER? NO THANKS", published in the European Trademark Bulletin. For easy reference I attach a copy of the original mark as it is registered.

On the home page of De Groene Rekenkamer you are displaying an exact copy of the protected Smiling-sun-logo. However you have left out the question mark after Nuclear Power and you have swapped the 'NO THANKS' to a 'YES PLEASE!'. This exploitation of the Smiling-sun-logo infringes upon the copyrights and trademark rights of the OOA Foundation. In this connection it is of no legal significance that the infringement may not have been intentional.

As your use of the Smiling-sun-logo constitutes a clear violation of the rights of the OOA Foundation, we request that De Groene Rekenkamer

• Immediately withdraws from your home page and other forms of promotion the mentioned unauthorised pro nuclear version of the Smiling-sun-logo

and no later than 6 (six) days from today in writing:

- Acknowledges that your use of the Smiling-sun-logo is a violation of the copyrights and trademark rights belonging to the OOA Foundation.
- Informs the OOA Foundation since when and to which extend you have made use of the Smilingsun-logo.
- Provides details on the origin of the above mentioned English pro nuclear version of the Logo.

In case De Groene Rekenkamer does not comply with the above conditions, at the latest on 19th November 2008, the OOA Foundation reserves the right to take any appropriate legal step in this matter according to Dutch and European law.

Yours sincerely,

Siegfried Christiansen Copyright Consultant The OOA Foundation

