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Dear Presidents and Secretaries of the National Societies for Immunology,
dear colleagues,

It is an honour and great privilege to address you as President of EFIS. As you are probably aware, the Day of Immunology was initiated by EFIS two years ago Europe-wide and has now become an international endeavour under the auspices of IUIS. The Day of Immunology aims to increase public awareness about immunology including its impact on medicine, its central role in basic research and its value for well-being. I hope that your society will also foster public awareness of immunology through various activities such as opening your institutes to the public, offering lectures or games in schools, universities, and public sites, holding press conferences, and publishing articles in newspapers, to name only a few. Although the Global Day of Immunology is set for April 29, you do not need to strictly adhere to this day and can organize activities before or after April 29, as well. I would, however, appreciate it if you would refer to the Global Day of Immunology, April 29, 2007. Moreover, I kindly ask you to provide us with information about your activities so that it can be included on our website (<http://www.dayofimmunology.org/initiative>). On this website, you may also find further information on previous and ongoing activities for the Global Day of Immunology. The website will be an important basis for information exchange between the different national societies and will also help in the preparations for this year's and future Global Day of Immunology activities.

Attached please find a short article which will appear in the European Journal of Immunology in slightly modified form, where you can find further information.

I look forward to your valuable feedback in the near future and thank you very much in advance for your input.

Yours sincerely,

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