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Dear Erez:

First, let me say what a pleasure it was to meet you for the first time in New York last Friday. As we discussed, I was very disappointed by your decision to make your interest in Mylan public without first taking the time to speak to me or meet in person. As those who know me will attest, I always am willing to discuss opportunities to create value for Mylan's shareholders and other stakeholders, and although it was after-the-fact, I was happy to grant you the opportunity to meet with me in person to hear your rationale outlined in your letter dated April 21, 2015.

During our meeting, we touched on Teva's many struggles throughout the last several years, including the approval of the first generic version of your flagship product Copaxone® (despite Teva's claims that an AB-rated generic would never be approved); the persistent turnover and turmoil amongst the Teva leadership and Board and the resulting strategic confusion; Teva's consistent underperformance in comparison to the market and our industry; and your increasing need to find new sources of future growth. As I am sure you are aware, Mylan's historical compound annual growth rates (CAGR) in terms of revenues and adjusted EBITDA from 2011-2014 are more than double Teva's. 1

Erez, you told me in our meeting that Teva is different now and the challenges and cultural issues you have faced previously were now in the past. You assured me that Teva's new Board and management team had brought a new approach to the way it does business. Yet, this change was not evident in the way you approached your interest in Mylan. Through your

leadership, you had the opportunity to set the right tone, and show the world that there is a new Teva. Instead, you chose to approach Mylan in a way that demonstrates that the old Teva is very much still alive, which only continues to beg questions about Teva's credibility.

In contrast, our engagement with Perrigo has been based on a long history of mutual respect and prior private discussions. My initial letter to Joe Papa was made public after we were advised to do so by outside counsel pursuant to legal requirements, and I personally informed Joe in advance of making the proposal public.

For the sake of your current and future shareholders, employees, patients, customers, communities and other stakeholders, I do hope you find a way to eventually change Teva's culture and establish credibility in your business dealings. However, we do not wish to make Teva's problems Mylan's problems, or to inflict them on Mylan's shareholders and other stakeholders. This potential combination is clearly in no one's best interest.

At the conclusion of our meeting, however, I committed to you that I would take to the Mylan Board your indication of interest and your Board's beliefs as expressed in your letter to me, and I stated that the Mylan Board would respond accordingly. Please find below that promised response.

The Board of Directors of Mylan received and carefully reviewed your expression of interest and beliefs with the assistance of our financial advisor, Goldman, Sachs & Co., our legal counsel, Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP, and our Dutch legal counsel, NautaDutilh N.V.

Following thorough consideration, the Mylan Board unanimously rejected Teva's expression of interest after determining it does not satisfy any of the key criteria necessary to permit our Board to depart from our successful and longstanding standalone strategy, or be distracted from our pursuit of other value-creating initiatives, to consider engaging in discussions to sell Mylan.

The Mylan Board of Directors has a very important fiduciary obligation under Dutch law to act in the best interests of the Company's shareholders, employees, patients, customers, communities and other stakeholders.

The Board always has been open to considering any and all paths forward in that regard, and has recognized that under certain circumstances it is possible that pursuing a proposal contemplating the sale of Mylan could be in the best interests of Mylan's shareholders and other stakeholders. The Teva expression of interest, however, is not even close to qualifying as a proposal worth pursuing.

The Mylan Board believes that transparency regarding its position is in the best interests of the Company and its important constituencies. For that reason, even though Mylan is not for sale, the Board has asked me to lay out the conditions that would need to be satisfied by a potential acquirer before Mylan's Board would be willing to consider any disruptions to our Company and its focused execution on our standalone strategy and enter into any discussions about the possibility of selling the Company.

In reviewing these criteria, it should be clear to you and to your Board why Teva's expression of interest and its beliefs fall far short of convincing us to engage in any further discussions at this time. You should not view this explanation as a negotiating position or a counter-offer; it is neither. It is simply an explanation of the minimum criteria a proposal would need to satisfy before our Board would consider it worth pursuing. To be frank, given Teva's history and actions to date, it is implausible that Teva can realistically satisfy our minimum criteria as set forth below.

1.Valuation

Mylan has created tremendous value for its shareholders over the long term. Our standalone story and opportunity are clear, and have been laid out consistently for our shareholders and other stakeholders.

As you and your advisors are well aware, many transactions have taken place in our space, including several with lesser quality players and much more robust valuations than what you expressed. I believe that the grossly insufficient valuation you have presented can only be attributed to a lack of real commitment to pursuing this transaction.

As we have communicated many times to the public, our shareholders and other stakeholders, our Board and management are not, and will never be, entrenched; however, that does not mean we will entertain offers that grossly undervalue our Company. Our Board will certainly not consider engaging in discussions to sell the Company unless the starting point of the discussions is significantly in excess of \$100 per share. This valuation is consistent with a best-in-class asset such as Mylan and with one that has a strong foothold in India, which provides a highly competitive cost structure and a strong backbone for growth.

Similar acquisitions in recent history in the specialty and generics industry that were transformational and included best-in-class assets with significant growth prospects have had an average LTM EBITDA multiple of approximately 20x.² Generic manufacturers with a large Indian component have had an even higher average multiple at approximately 25x.³ In stark contrast, your expression of interest values Mylan at approximately 16.6x EBITDA.⁴

2.Currency of Acquisition Consideration, Industrial Logic and Cultural Fit

Acquisitions of public companies can come in the form of stock, cash or a mix of stock and cash. The willingness of the Mylan Board to entertain the inclusion of shares of a potential acquirer as the currency for an acquisition depends on the quality of the potential acquirer and its stock.

If a potential acquirer is a strong company with a tried and tested leadership, strong growth prospects, a robust strategy for sustainable, long-term growth, complementary assets and a proven history of successful execution, then the Mylan Board would be open to the inclusion of stock as acquisition consideration. But, based on our evaluation, that is not the case here.

Simply put, the Mylan Board has no interest in considering an expression of interest that, based on our evaluation of the factors below, requires Mylan shareholders to accept what we believe is low-quality and high-risk currency in the form of Teva shares in exchange for their higher-quality and lower-risk Mylan shares in a transaction that lacks sound industrial logic and is likely to be significantly value and growth destructive.

As you well know, Teva faces the looming loss of significant revenue from the end of exclusivity for the Copaxone® franchise, and has seen years of consistent and significant underperformance, even while enjoying the benefits of Copaxone®. Further, Teva has faced a constantly changing and flip flopping strategy, rotating leadership, shareholder outrage and a flat to negative growth outlook.

Acquiring a great company like Mylan would not fix a struggling Teva because of the lack of sound industrial logic for such a combination. It is clear that your proposed acquisition is in the pursuit of size, not strategy, and does not address the significant structural and other challenges to Teva's recovery. There is simply no ultimate benefit in the three core areas that we believe are essential to any transaction in our industry: geographic reach, portfolio diversification and capability expansion.

Our geographic positions are largely the same and combining them would add significant complexity without adding meaningful exposure to new markets.

Our portfolios carry substantial redundancy with thousands of overlapping products globally. Importantly, this overlap includes key pipeline products expected to drive growth in the near and long-term, including generic Advair®, generic Copaxone®, generic EpiPen® Auto-Injector and several biosimilar products.

Further, Mylan and Teva bring each other little in terms of new capabilities. It is important to note that given the massive overlap between our companies, the synergizing of redundant or similar efforts and products will inherently have a major negative impact on the very growth prospects you are aiming to extract from Mylan. What will be left is a short-term financial pop and longer-term value erosion.

Combining our two organizations to achieve growth requires more than just sorting through size and complexity. We believe that significant cultural differences would make the successful integration of the two companies nearly impossible. At Mylan, we have consistently set a clear strategic plan and we reward our employees for accomplishing our objectives. This is something we feel strongly has contributed to our consistent outperformance. On the other hand, Teva's underperformance has been directly attributed to its "dysfunctional" culture. In fact, one of your most vocal shareholders who has studied your company in-depth and knows your management team and Board very well stated explicitly to Reuters with respect to integrating culture that "Mylan would give Teva severe indigestion."⁵

This is only further exacerbated when examined globally. Mylan operates a complex and substantial business in India where

more than 12,000⁶ of our employees reside, 21 manufacturing facilities are located,⁷ and a major R&D hub for our global business is positioned.⁸ Teva has a limited presence and experience in the country, and in fact has been disparaging about India's products and culture. In a Business Standard article entitled "Teva Execs Remark Creates Furor in Indian Pharma," a senior Teva officer was reported saying, "you would never sit on a plane if you thought that the parts were coming from a dodgy factory somewhere that you didn't know. So, why do we accept this for medicines?"⁹ Bringing Teva's "dysfunctional" culture to the region could disrupt the core of our business, result in the flight of key talent (in India and elsewhere), and meaningfully and adversely impact the results of the possible combination.

This challenged culture at Teva is, we believe, a direct result of a Board of Directors that refuses to change, lacks adequate global pharmaceutical experience and consistently meddles in company operations. This is the same Board that was described as "like a nuthouse" by an investor in a Bloomberg article¹⁰.

Since 2007, your Board has churned through three different Chief Executive Officers, running the only one with the global pharmaceutical experience, which we think is critical to the position, out of town within 18 months of being on the job. Any investor should be gravely concerned that an experienced lead executive could be dismissed over "slight differences" of opinion with the Board. We believe that these rapid changes in a short period of time have left the company with a complete lack of long-term strategic focus. While I recognize that you are fairly new to your position, I cannot ignore the fact that you were present on Teva's Board during some of the company's most turbulent and "dysfunctional" times.

Ten years of acquisitions and a flip-flopping strategy have left Teva with a smattering of assets in specialty, generics, biotech and consumer. You claim to want to "redefine the generics industry," but what faith can we have that you have any clear vision for the industry at all? And how can investors be assured this "redefinition" will not be abandoned for yet another new strategy?

Customers and partners already have voiced their concerns about Teva, given its culture and reputation, and indicated their lack of support for the possible combination.

We also have serious concerns about Teva's ability to integrate and efficiently run a combined company, and deliver meaningful shareholder value. There is simply no track record for investors to find. A review of the facts offers a clear view why we believe Teva stock is unacceptable.

â€¢ In the past three years Teva has underperformed peers and the S&P 500 index by 223% and 12%¹¹, respectively.

â€¢ Teva's growth prospects as outlined by analysts calls for a CAGR of revenue from 2015-2017 of (0.6)%¹² and a CAGR of EBITDA in the same time period of 2.1%¹².

â€¢ The median analyst price target for Teva represents a 1.0%¹³ premium to its current stock price. Analysts have lowered EPS estimates for Teva by approximately 10% over the last two years¹².

â€¢ In the past three years, Teva's stock price has appreciated 42%, while Mylan's stock price has appreciated 247%¹¹.

Mylan, on the other hand, has delivered very strong performance:

â€¢ Mylan has grown revenue at a CAGR of 9%¹⁴ in the past six years, adjusted EBITDA by 15%¹⁴ and adjusted diluted EPS by 28%¹⁴ over the same time period.

â€¢ Our three-year annualized total shareholder return of 36.2%¹⁵ more than doubles the S&P 500 and beats the S&P 500 Pharmaceuticals average. Our one- and five-year total shareholder return numbers also beat both metrics.

These numbers speak for themselves. With the pending loss of exclusivity for the Copaxone® franchise (also impacting the 40 mg), they will likely only get worse.¹⁶ Wall Street estimates show that this loss could result in more than \$600 million in annual EBITDA impact.

The bottom line is that it would not be sensible for the Mylan Board to consider an expression of interest for a business combination that would result in Mylan shareholders being forced to take stock of a poorly performing troubled company in a combination that lacks industrial logic and is a terrible cultural fit.

3.Regulatory Risk

Mylan's Board would not be willing to consider a sale of the Company unless a potential acquirer agrees at the outset to bear the entire regulatory risk. The possibility of agreeing to sell the Company and then having the regulators block the transaction (see Time Warner Cable, whose transaction with Comcast was terminated just last week in light of significant regulatory concerns) is an unacceptable risk for our Company, shareholders, employees, patients, customers, our communities and other stakeholders, particularly given the strength of our platform and the positive trajectory of our Company.

For this reason, before our Board would seriously consider a proposal to sell Mylan, the potential acquirer would need to agree to guarantee to the Board's satisfaction that the transaction would receive regulatory approval, regardless of what

actions the potential acquirer will need to take in order to make that happen. No exceptions would be acceptable. Furthermore, the potential acquirer would need to commit that the deal would close and our shareholders would receive their consideration within a relatively short period. As a point of reference, our proposal to Perrigo contemplates "hell or high water" requirements, as well as a commitment to close within seven months. We do not believe that Teva could offer similar comfort.

We continue to believe that our massive overlapping positions would create significant antitrust concerns, creating the need for meaningful value-destructive divestitures. Furthermore, we believe regulators will, and should, care not just about overlapping products but the significant concentration of manufacturing power and supply to the market, as well as pricing power and potential for drug shortages. Already a respected medical professional has commented that the combination is problematic.¹⁷ Despite your need to move quickly to attempt to salvage shareholder value at Teva, sorting through an issue as critically important as the price and supply of generic medicines will not be easy or fast.

There are significant risks that regulators would block a combination of Mylan and Teva, and even if regulators were willing to approve the transaction, they would require significant divestitures. Despite this, Teva has not made a commitment to guarantee that it would obtain regulatory approval in connection with its expression of interest, and it has not indicated an acceptable deadline-or any deadline-by which it would do so.

4. Other Stakeholders

The Mylan Board of Directors takes its fiduciary duties owed to all stakeholders under Dutch law very seriously. In fact one of the main reasons why Mylan chose to organize itself in the Netherlands is its remarkable similarity to Mylan's former domicile in Pennsylvania, which also has a long history of respecting the value of all stakeholders in addition to shareholders.

Mylan has been extremely successful at creating shareholder value while at the same time maximizing the best interests of employees, customers, patients, our communities and our other stakeholders and pursuing the Company's mission to provide a broad range of affordable, high-quality medicine to the world population.

Teva's expression of interest contains nothing indicating why a combination with Teva would be in the best interests of Mylan's employees, patients, customers, communities or other stakeholders. In fact, we believe that statements in the press attributed to Teva's team have indicated that Teva does not believe the interests of these stakeholders are important. We also were interested to read in your communications to your employees that your operations in Israel would be unaffected by a combination, reflecting your long history of refusing to take costs out of Israel at the expense of far more efficient operations and employment elsewhere.

Mylan's Board would not engage in any proposal that the Board did not believe was in the best interests of its stakeholders.

Teva's expression of interest, which contemplates significant synergies without saying where they will come from and involves a potential acquirer that has been widely viewed as dysfunctional and poorly run and that has consistently flip-flopped on strategy, is not in the best interests of any of our stakeholders or of Mylan's mission.

Based on all of the foregoing, Mylan's Board unanimously decided to reject Teva's proposal.

The proposal grossly undervalues Mylan, and it would require Mylan's shareholders to accept what we believe are low-quality Teva shares in exchange for their high-quality Mylan shares in a transaction that lacks industrial logic and carries significant global antitrust risk. Furthermore, it calls for two fundamentally different and conflicting cultures to be integrated under a Board and leadership team with absolutely no proven ability to deliver sustainable shareholder value. Simply put, Teva's expression of interest is not in the best interests of Mylan's shareholders, employees, patients, customers, communities and other stakeholders.

As this letter demonstrates, we have a keen appreciation for the challenges you face. The Mylan Board wishes you the best in attempting to turn Teva around.

Sincerely,
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SOURCES AND BASES OF INFORMATION

Sources and bases of information contained in the letter reproduced in this announcement can be found in the footnotes to that letter.

- 1 Calculated based on Mylan and Teva SEC filings.
- 2 Average LTM EBITDA multiple based on the following transactions: Pfizer's announced acquisition of Hospira (5-Feb-2015), Actavis' announced acquisition of Allergan (17-Nov-2014), Actavis' announced acquisition of Forest Laboratories (18-Feb-2014), Teva's announced acquisition of Barr Pharmaceuticals (18-Jul-2008), Fresenius' announced acquisition of APP (7-Jul-2008), Mylan's announced acquisition of Merck KGaA (12-May-2007) and Novator Partners' announced acquisition of Actavis (10-May-20107).
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- 6 Internal Mylan figure
- 7 Mylan factsheet on Mylan.com
- 8 Mylan factsheet on Mylan.com
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- 11 Stock price appreciation based on performance from 24-Apr-2012 to 24-Apr-2015. Selected Peers includes: Actavis, Akorn, Endo, Jazz, Mallinckrodt, Perrigo and Valeant.
- 12 Analyst estimates based on I/B/E/S median estimates as of April 24, 2015.
- 13 Median analyst price target per Bloomberg as of 3-Apr-2015.
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