

Professor Torsten Åkesson
President of Council
CERN

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Dear President,

Referring to your answer¹ to our open letter, we observe with regret that our only request was denied.

We do not wish to enter into the sharing of authority between the Council and yourself, however we doubt that insuperable legal obstacles have prevented you from granting us our request.

Your offer does not address our request, but focuses on a non crucial issue at that stage. Indeed, the White Paper to be discussed at the Council meeting this week was written by the PFGB as a technical body, each member having in mind the sole interest of the Pension Fund and its prompt return to a financial equilibrium in the interest of all parties concerned (sponsors, active members and beneficiaries) as foreseen in the code of conduct.

Concerning your invitation to state our views before the Council, we will be enchanted to do so in due course when a Green Paper is made available.

Rest assured that active members and beneficiaries will certainly be kept aware of the development of such an important matter on a daily basis.

Yours sincerely,

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* Currently in Chile, agreement obtained by electronic mail.

¹ CERN/CS/10070- December 10th, 2009