Dear Sir

Thank you for your letter to the Swedish Minister for Culture, Lena Adelsohn Liljeroth, regarding privatization of community radio in Sweden. I handle certain media and broadcasting issues at the Ministry of Culture and have been asked to answer your letter.

In the report that you refer to in your letter, the Swedish Broadcasting Authority concludes that the elements of commercial interests are few in community radio and that they cannot be considered to have any significant impact on community radio as a whole. Therefore, the Authority currently sees no sufficient reason to propose any amendments to the rules or other actions. However, the Authority believes that it is important to closely monitor developments in community radio, and it will consider increased monitoring efforts in the field. A further review of the conditions of community radio and the Swedish radio landscape at large should be made within three years, the Authority argues.

Your letter will be forwarded to the Authority.

Best regards

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Deputy Director

Cc: The Swedish Broadcasting Authority