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To everyone,

**“Professor Otto of Palau, who was an important leader for us, has died.”**

Professor Otto entered the field of public health because his brother died from lung cancer due to tobacco smoking, and as a doctor he provided a great deal of effort to establish the Framework Convention of Tobacco Control (FCTC) from concepts at the World Health Assembly (WHA) to help others avoid the dangers from tobacco.

Thereafter, he was in charge of and devoted to implementing many of the articles of the FCTC, including overseeing Article 5 paragraph 3, as well as formulating Article 8 guidelines in Thailand. Recently, he was busy with work at the UN.

As a delegate to the FCTC COP (Conference of the Parties) in Palau, the Framework Convention Alliance (FCA), and United Nations diplomatic missions; he was involved in several important activities.

I do not forget that he recommended that the FCTC could have been implemented with the UN instead of WHO.

In addition, he leaves me with fond memories of the many times when we enjoyed meals together.

I still remember that he was strict with himself, but for other people he was always kind and nice.

Sincerely yours,

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