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Dear friends, dear colleagues,

The Board of ENUSP and our members join me in extending our condolences and sympathy for the passing of Dorothea Buck to you, her family and her friends. She lived through extremely difficult times in Nazi Germany, underwent forced sterilization and yet she survived. Dorothea was an example of a true warrior who despite her very painful past remained active, enthusiastic and hopeful for the future. She was a reminder that drugs without human passion and empathy are just chemistry and that the core goal of psychiatry is a conversation, a searching for understanding and human help. She lived until the age of 102 and stayed active in the interest of users and survivors of psychiatry up until her death. Dorothea will remain a role model and an inspiration for (ex-)users and survivors of psychiatry, for women who have undergone forced interventions, as well as for elderly people who wish to stay active at an advanced age.

With her we are saying goodbye to a whole century, and part of the living history of the (ex-)user and survivor movement. She will be greatly missed by all of us.

We join you in honoring her memory. May she rest in peace.

Yours sincerely,

Olga Kalina

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