

To whom it may concern:

Please consider our manuscript with the title “**Competing Bandits: The Perils of Exploration under Competition**” (Guy Aridor, Yishay Mansour, Aleksandrs Slivkins, and Zhiwei Steven Wu) for publication in *Econometrica*. We attach this cover note to make aware that preliminary abstracts of the submitted paper appeared in two separate conference proceedings in computer science, *Proceedings of the 9th Conference on Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science* and *Proceedings of the 20th ACM Conference on Economics and Computation*.

Sincerely,

Aleksandrs Slivkins