



Embassy
of the Federal Republic of Germany
Tbilisi

Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, 20 Telavi Str., 0103 Tbilisi, Georgia

Ministry of Labour, Health and Social Affairs
of Georgia

Att.:
Ms. Sopo Belkania
Head of HR Management and
International Relations Department

POSTAL ADDRESS

Sheraton Metechi Palace Hotel
20 Telavi Str.
0103 Tbilisi, Georgia

INTERNET: www.tiflis.diplo.de

TEL + 995 - 32 – 244 73 00
FAX + 995 - 32 – 244 73 64

Official in charge:
Christian Gruttke

TEL: +995 32 243 53 99

rk-10@tifl.diplo.de

Subject **International Cooperation concerning Health Care and Availability of Medical
Treatment in Georgia**

Your Ref. -

Encl. -

Our Ref. (please refer to in your answer) RK-10-516.80 E Fibrosarkom

Tbilisi, May 4, 2018

Dear Ms. Belkania,

Thanking you again for your kind offer for assistance on the occasion of the joint meeting between His Excellency the Minister of Labour, Health and Social Affairs, Mr. Sergeenko, you and the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany to Georgia on February 28, 2018, I herewith kindly request your assistance in obtaining information regarding the following medical questions:

1. Case summary

The patient in question is a Georgian national currently residing in Germany and suffering from **cancer (fibrosarcoma/fibroblastic sarcoma)**. The patient was first diagnosed in Georgia and started her therapy there. According to medical expertise, cancelling or interrupting the treatment would lead to a rapid (further) progression of her fatal and already advanced illness.

2. Questions regarding therapy and treatment

- a) Is it possible to receive treatment in Georgia for a **fibrosarcoma (of the right mamma) in an advanced stage and with pulmonary metastases**?
- b) What kind of treatment of the aforementioned cancerous illness is commonly administered in Georgia?
- c) Is the drug "**Pazopanib (Votrient)**" registered and available in Georgia?
- d) Is it possible to conduct/continue the therapy (which has been initiated in Germany) with **Pazopanib** in Georgia?
 - a. If yes, where is the therapy with **Pazopanib** possible?
 - b. Is it possible to received treatment and continue the therapy with **Pazopanib** in Tbilisi?
- e) Is it possible to receive a different kind of chemotherapy, especially an intravenously administered chemotherapy with "**Trabectedin**"?
- f) Can a patient suffering from cancer in an advanced stage receive palliative care in Georgia?
- g) What costs would arise from the treatment (therapy with **Pazopanib**; if need be, other chemotherapy; and palliative care) in Georgia?
- h) Would the patient have to pay for the aforementioned components of the treatment herself?
- i) Are parts of the therapy or is the therapy in its entirety covered by the state of Georgia?
 - a. If yes, to what extent would costs be covered?
 - b. If yes, what are the preconditions for a patient to receive coverage of the costs of the therapy?

Thanking you in advance for your kind cooperation I rest at your disposal for any further questions that may arise.

Kind regards,



Christian Gruttke, KS I