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Dear Mr David Japaridze,

**Second Technical Meeting of the CIS PPRI network
Baku, Azerbaijan, 15-16 May 2018**

I have the pleasure to inform you that the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe is organizing the second meeting of the Commonwealth of Independent States network of competent authorities on pharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement policies (CIS PPRI) on 15th and 16th of May 2018.

Based on your participation to the first meeting of the network we are happy to invite you to this follow-up event. The conference will take place in Baku, Azerbaijan, thanks to the support of the Azeri government.

The aims of the meeting are to gather competent authorities responsible for medicines financing so to promote collaboration on Universal Health Coverage (UHC), to focus on access to essential medicines and reduction of out-of-pocket (OOP) payment for medicines and facilitate introduction of sound policies regulating the price and reimbursement of medicines and to share best practices among countries and provide training opportunities. A preliminary programme is attached to this letter.

The working languages of the meeting will be English and Russian, with simultaneous translation provided.

The WHO Regional Office for Europe will organize travel in line with WHO travel rules and you will receive an economy class e-ticket. In case you need a visa, please verify that you have a valid visa for the duty travel period. WHO can send you visa support letter if needed.

You will also receive a daily subsistence allowance for the duration of the meeting, in accordance with our travel regulations. The subsistence allowance will be transferred to your bank account approximately 5 days prior to the meeting.

The World Health Organization will not be held liable for any claim resulting from death, injury, sickness or disability and you will be responsible for payment of charges for excess baggage, baggage insurance and ground transport to and from airports, airport taxes and incidental expenses.

I hope you will be available to attend and look forward to hearing from you. Upon confirmation of participation we will provide you with the necessary documentation and administrative information.

Mr. Guillaume Dedet (dedetg@who.int) and Mrs. Lisbeth Lindhardt (lindhardtl@who.int) are responsible for the preparation and organization of the meeting and it would be appreciated if you would address your reply directly to them.

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosures:
Preliminary Agenda