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Dear Dr Belkania.

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Dr Sofiko Belkania

Mission to Support the Development of the National Guideline on Surveillance of **Adverse Events Following Immunization** 10-13 April 2018, Tbilisi, Georgia

The WHO Regional Office for Europe is pleased to inform you that we wish to continue to provide technical support to Georgia in achieving best vaccine safety standards by strengthening the national system of surveillance of adverse events following immunization (AEFI).

The main purpose of the mission is to provide guidance and technical assistance to the Ministry of Health of the Georgia in the development of the national guideline on AEFI.

An outline of the scope and purpose of the mission is enclosed.

We would like to propose that a WHO mission, including Dr Eugene Lam, the Regional Office, and Dr Sarah Bennett, U.S. Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to visit Georgia for the above mission from 10 to 13 April 2018.

It is expected that a national steering committee established by the Ministry of Health, and involving experts from key national authorities involved in AEFI surveillance and response, will be engaged in the guideline development process.

Should you have questions or need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Dr Eugene Lam, Technical Officer, Vaccine-preventable Diseases and Immunization, Division of Health Emergencies and Communicable Diseases (tel. +4545337163, E-mail: lame@who.int).

We thank you for cooperation and look forward to hearing from you.

Yours very truly,

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Scope and Purpose

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