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Date: 19 May 2017

Dr Amiran Gamkrelidze
Director General of the National Center
For Disease Control and Public Health
Tbilisi
Georgia

Dear Dr Gamkrelidze,

**WHO European health systems foresight group - first meeting,
7 July 2017, Brussels, Belgium**

I am pleased to invite you to participate in *the WHO European health systems foresight group - first meeting* which will take place on 7 July 2017 in Brussels, Belgium, generously hosted by Mr Jo De Cock, Chief Executive Officer of the National Health Institute of Health and Disability Insurance in Belgium.

The aim of this Foresight Group is to develop perspectives on the long-term future of health systems in Europe which can form the basis of a vision for the future of health systems in Europe for the 10th Anniversary Conference of the Tallinn Charter which will take place 13-14 June 2018.

The meeting will also provide an opportunity to look forwards, both at specific challenges facing health systems in Europe and in trying to anticipate others on the horizon. Importantly, this also means seeing health systems in Europe as complex, adaptive systems, and considering how they are adjusting and changing and able to deal with disruptive innovation.

The main objectives of the meeting are:

- to have a first brainstorming on the issues; the challenges facing health systems in Europe, the issues that they raise, scenarios for the future, and what we can learn from elsewhere;
- to consider what outcome the group should produce; what would an ideal vision for the future of health systems in Europe look like, and how the 10th Tallinn Charter Anniversary Conference should take this forward;
- and to plan the work of the health systems foresight group in order to deliver this desired outcome in time for the 10th Anniversary Conference, including what sources of input are needed and how the group can most effectively work together.

The scope and purpose of the meeting is attached for your information. The meeting will take place between 08h30 (registration) and 17h00.

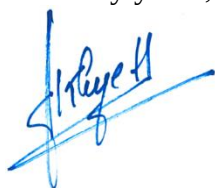
Your participation at the meeting will be covered by this office. Kindly complete the attached registration form and return it to Ms Varduhi Boyakhchyan (boyakhchyanv@who.int) in order that

arrangements may be made for your round trip travel via the most economical direct route. You will also receive a daily subsistence allowance to cover the cost of meals and accommodation for the duration of the meeting, in accordance with our travel regulations. 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.

You will receive details about the administrative and practical arrangements for the meeting in due course.

We thank you in advance for your consideration and look forward to welcoming you to the meeting in Brussels.

Sincerely yours,



Dr Hans Kluge
Director, Division of Health Systems and Public Health

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