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Dear Dr Belkania,

Date: 19 March 2018

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Consultation with Member States in Europe on the "Use of immunization data for decision-making" Bosnia and Herzegovina, 15-16 May 2018

I have the honour to inform you that the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe, in agreement with the governments of Bosnia and Herzegovina, plans to hold the above-mentioned meeting.

The main objective of the workshop will be to discuss the value and mechanism of combining various programme data elements towards critical decision-making in immunization. The workshop envisions determining practical ways of improving the immunization data quality in the Region with a view to monitor the impact of the immunization programme. The meeting will take place in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina on 15-16 May 2018. It is expected that the workshop will be attended by 21 Member States (for each of the two workshops planned; 15-16 and 17-18 May 2018) of the WHO European region as well as WHO Headquarters, international partners and staff from the Regional Office.

The scope and purpose of the meeting and the provisional agenda are enclosed. The working language will be English.

The Regional Office will cover the participation cost of maximum two (2) participants from each Member State. In this respect, I have the pleasure to invite your National Immunization Programme Manager and Immunization Data Manager. Travel for participants will be arranged and paid for by this office and they will receive a daily subsistence allowance for the duration of the meeting in accordance with our travel regulations.

We would highly appreciate your country's participation in the meeting and look forward to receiving your nomination, providing the names, functional titles and contact details (address, email address and telephone) of the proposed participants. We kindly ask you to send this information to our office no later than 30 March 2018 if possible, in order to secure the travel and hotel booking. We shall then communicate with them directly to provide them with the necessary documentation and administrative information.

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We would be grateful if you would instruct your staff to send the required information to the WHO Regional Office for Europe, for the attention of Ms Valentina Mingazzini, Vaccine-preventable Diseases and Immunization Programme (email: mingazziniv@who.int).

Dr Siddhartha Datta, Vaccine-preventable Diseases and Immunization Programme (tel: +45 4533 7119, email: <u>dattas@who.int</u>) is responsible for the technical implementation of this event.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any enquiries.

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

Sincerely yours,

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