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Dear Mr Torua,

**GLOBAL OUTBREAK ALERT AND RESPONSE NETWORK (GOARN) PLANNING
MEETING FOR THE EASTERN EUROPEAN AND RUSSIAN SPEAKING COUNTRIES
BELGRADE, SERBIA, 14-15 JUNE 2018**

I was pleased to learn that you have been nominated by your Government to participate in the above meeting.

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

Invitations are being sent to potential GOARN partners in Eastern European and Russian-speaking countries, as well as existing GOARN partner institutions and the main objective of the meeting is to discuss joint activities, led by the WHO Regional Office for Europe and informed by stronger regional conversation, to ensure a comprehensive approach to health emergency preparedness, readiness, and response. It is also organized to facilitate information sharing and advocacy in order to enhance the impact and effectiveness of health-related humanitarian and recovery activities.

The Meeting is organized by the WHO Emergency Programme in the WHO Headquarters, the GOARN Operational Support Team (OST), the WHO Regional Office for Europe and Country Office in Serbia, and with the financial support from the Government of the Russian Federation.

The working language(s) will be English and Russian, and simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

Participation expenses will not be the responsibility of this office. However, accommodation including meals will be covered by WHO. Please contact Mr Tim Deibel, Programme Assistant, at deibelt@who.int to coordinate your travel.

A registration form is enclosed which I should be grateful if you would kindly complete and return as soon as possible. You will receive details about the administrative and practical arrangements for the meeting in due course.

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosures:

Scope and purpose
Registration form

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