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Dear Ms Gabunia,

**WHO European Regional Meeting of National Immunization Programme Managers
25-27 March 2020, Istanbul, Turkey**

I have the honour to inform you that the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe plans to hold the above-mentioned meeting.

Under the auspices of the Minister of Health Turkey, a meeting of National Immunization Programme Managers from 53 Member States in the WHO European Region will be held on 25-27 March 2020 in Istanbul. We expect approximately 150 participants from 53 Member States of the WHO European Region as well as experts from the WHO and international partners, to take part in the Programme Managers Meeting (PMM).

The objective of this PMM is to review the status of the regional immunization activities outlined in the European Vaccine Action plan 2015-2020, collectively define priorities and strategic focus areas for the 2030 European Regional Immunization Agenda and codevelop a framework for action. The meeting also aims to address topical issues faced by immunization programmes and share successful practices and solutions from the countries towards strengthening national immunization systems and thereby contributing to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 3 in the WHO European Region.

I have the pleasure in inviting you to nominate two participants, including the *National Immunization Programme Manager* and the *Chair of the National Immunization Technical Advisory Group (NITAG)*, to attend the PMM.

A scope and purpose, agenda and detailed programme for this meeting will be sent to the nominees.

The working languages will be English and Russian and simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

Travel for participants will be arranged and paid for by this office, and they will also receive a daily subsistence allowance for the duration of the meeting in accordance with our travel regulations.

I look forward to receiving your nominations, giving the names, functional titles and addresses of the proposed participants. We shall then communicate with them directly and provide them with the necessary documentation and administrative information in good time.

Dr Siddhartha Datta, Programme Manager, Vaccine-preventable diseases and Immunization programme in the WHO Regional Office for Europe, is responsible for this activity.

We would be grateful if you would instruct your staff to send the required information to the WHO Regional Office for Europe, attention of Ms Natalia Nemirova (e-mail: nemirovan@who.int, telephone: +45 4533 6790) at your earliest convenience and preferably no later than **31 January 2020**.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us by e-mail: euvaccine@who.int.

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

Yours very truly,



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