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Dear Dr Gabunia,

Coordination meeting on cross-border collaboration on prevention of malaria re-establishment between bordering countries of WHO Eastern Mediterranean and European Regions

Dushanbe, Tajikistan, 27-28 November 2019

I have the honour to inform you that the WHO Regional Office for Europe, in agreement with the Government of Tajikistan, plans to hold a Coordination meeting on cross-border collaboration on prevention of malaria re-establishment between bordering countries of WHO Eastern Mediterranean and European Regions on 27-28 November 2019 in Dushanbe, Tajikistan.

The purpose of the meeting is (1) to report on achievements and to share experiences on malaria elimination/prevention of malaria re-establishment between countries, (2) to review existing practical modalities on malaria elimination/prevention of reintroduction and to identify problems encountered in their implementation in border areas of participating countries; and (3) to discuss and agree on a strategy and implementation mechanisms for increased coordination of malaria elimination/prevention of reintroduction in participating countries, with special emphasis on border areas.

The meeting will be conducted in English and Russian and simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

I have pleasure in inviting you to nominate two specialists from your country responsible for the management of the national malaria programme and implementing activities related to prevention of malaria reintroduction to participate in the meeting.

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.

We look forward to receiving your nominations, giving the names, functional titles and addresses of the proposed participants at your early convenience and no later than 31 October 2019. We shall then

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communicate with them directly and provide them with the necessary documentation and administrative information in good time.

It would be greatly appreciated if you would kindly address your reply to Dr Elkhan Gasimov (email: gasimove@who.int) and Ms Elena Chulkova (email: chulkovae@who.int) from the malaria, NTDs and other parasitic diseases programme.

Yours sincerely,

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