## Diagnostics Communications | Response to Georgia Ministry of Health - COVID-19



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Dear Minister Ekaterina Tikaradze.

Thank you for contacting Roche Diagnostics regarding the COVID-19 situation in Georgia, and for sharing your concerns on the local developments and testing capacity.

Roche is working with governments, healthcare associations and other partners across the world to provide support, tests and testing equipment that is tailored to individual healthcare systems and the stage of pandemic. Our aim is to ensure that tests are available where they are needed most and can be most effective - the patient comes first.

We welcome the dialogue and partnership with governments, laboratories and healthcare providers in this difficult time. We recognise that no one party can act alone and we must stand together to address this situation.

I appreciate that you are doing everything you can to prevent further infection in Georgia and are interested in increasing your testing capacity. With this in mind, we would like to explore together the options in establishing cobas® 6800 system and introducing the new cobas® SARS-CoV-2 Test in Georgia.

I would like to assure you that Roche is fully committed to help each country and each patient around the globe, including Georgia.

If you have any follow up questions, Mr. Hasan Demirci, Roche Diagnostics Head of Central Asia and Caucasian Countries, will be reachable from +7 701 351 9169, <a href="https://hasan.demirci@roche.com">hasan.demirci@roche.com</a>.

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