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APPLICATION LETTER

Dear colleagues,

Following the correspondency between our organizations and the eventual Decision of the Managing Board of the Bulgarian Medical Association, I'm happy to inform you that the BgMA would be glad to join with the members of your EMO, UEMS, as a representative of Bulgaria.

Therefore, the letter herewith should be considered an Application for membership to UEMS.

Although the structure of our Association differs from the structure of most UEMS member associations, we believe that with the newly adopted amendments to our Statutes (especially with the foundation of the BgMA Accreditation Council), our objectives are expanded enough to cover, at leat partially, the objectives of UEMS and their member associations.

Besides, we feel that the ongoing self-exclusion of the Bulgarian medical specialists works at cross-purposes not only to the will of the Bulgarian medical profession but it also constitutes a disadvantage to the EU medical profession and their unity. Staying united and coming up with common statements regarding medical issues is a major characteristic that could contribute greatly to prevent any infringement of doctors' self-regulation and further developments of negative impact.

Looking forward to your reply and decision, I remain,

Yours most sincerely,

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