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The President of the AEMH, Dr Raymond Lies, expressed on behalf of all Associated Organisations their support to the document **“CPME Motion to support Czech colleagues”** (CPME 2007/142 FINAL EN) adopted at the CPME Board meeting, Brussels, 19 October 2007.

The members of the AEMH-Board, attending the 49th Board Meeting, 27 October 2007 in Brussels, expressed full support to the Czech colleagues and to the CPME Motion CPME/AD/Brd/191007/142/EN (here attached).

The AEMH-Board cordially invites the President of the Czech Medical Chamber and/ or representatives to the next AEMH Plenary Meeting, which will take place 2-3 May 2008 in Zagreb, to give further information on the organization scheme of Czech physicians and on the follow-up of the situation.



CPME/AD/Brd/191007/142/EN

At the CPME Board meeting, Brussels, 19 October 2007, CPME adopted the following document **“CPME Motion to support Czech colleagues”** (CPME 2007/142 FINAL EN)

CPME Motion to support Czech colleagues

The CPME believes that, in democratic countries, the highest attainable standards of care for patients and of regulating the doctors who provide that care, are best achieved when the medical profession is involved in the responsibility for medical regulation.

The CPME emphasizes the importance for patients, the profession, and society of the independence of regulatory authorities, which can then act, and be seen to act, in a manner free of political interference, thereby functioning as a truly independent guarantor of the quality of medical care.

The CPME calls on all EU/EEA governments to recognize the importance to the provision of safe, good quality healthcare of their relationship with the medical profession in their country. The CPME further calls on governments to maintain the model of medical professional bodies as independent partners within civil society.

The CPME is deeply concerned by the actions of the government of the Czech Republic that would put at risk the existing and accepted “self-regulation” of the medical profession. The CPME expresses full support for colleagues in the Czech Republic and, in particular, for the protection of their involvement in medical regulation.