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Dear Mr President,

Since our last meeting in Austria, I want to highlight the following facts in the Luxembourgish hospital sector:

- Since the beginning of April 2023 all legal restrictions concerning the Covid pandemic have been abolished (no mask obligations, free movement, no obligation for vaccination a.s.o...). While positive Covid patients stayed at home the number of "unable to work" patients did not diminish in the society and especially in the hospital sector the number of absentees has not decreased among the doctors, nurses and employees.
- Since the introduction of home-working during the Covid epidemy many business companies had problems with their results but our government has recently fixed by law a maximum of legal days of home working for the people who work across the border.
- The Work-Life Balance and the miscellaneous provisions act 2023(43 pages) seems to give further effect to the EU Directive 2019/1158 of the EU parliament and will have important consequences for the hospital organizations and the hospital budgets in the future.
- 4. The AMMD digital project (see the french copy below) is highly discussed in the news and is in opposition to the views of the Ministry of Health and the national health

insurance company. This topic will be on the agenda of the GA of the AMMD in June 2023.

- 5. Luxembourg has a lack of scanners and MRI's. In order to facilitate appointments for those exams the Ministry of Health gave the authorization to install new equipment in so called medical units in the private sector.
- 6. Concerning the building of the new Hospital Center in Esch-Alzette decided already in 2011 and announced to open in 2023 is now announced to open in 2026 but the first stone has not yet been laid.

Sincerely,

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