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Visit by the President of Gambia to Turkey

Upon the invitation of the President of the Republic of Turkey, Recep Tayyip Erdoğan; President of Gambia Adamo Barrow paid a visit to Turkey on 13-15 February 2018. Gambian President was accompanied by his delegation to conduct bilateral meetings.

In his capacity as the Co-Chair of Gambia-Turkey Economic Commission, Dr. Ahmet Demircan, Minister of Health of the Republic of Turkey accompanied President Barrow during his visit.
Minister of Health of Iraq visited Turkey

Adeelah Hammud Hussein, Minister of Health of Iraq paid a visit to Turkey on 6-9 February 2018 as the official guest of Dr. Ahmet Demircan, Minister of Health of the Republic of Turkey. On 7th February, the Ministers of Health had a bilateral meeting to discuss the collaboration between the two countries.
Dr. Ahmet Demircan, Minister of Health of the Republic of Turkey received Ambassador of Sudan to Turkey

Dr. Ahmet Demircan, Minister of Health of the Republic of Turkey, received Dr. Yousif Ahmed Eltayep El Kordofani, Ambassador of Sudan to Turkey. Steps to be taken to increase health tourism; training of Sudanese doctors and students in Turkey; joint management of Nyala-Turkey Training and Research Hospital; visit of a delegation from Turkey to Sudan to share Turkey’s experience in the field of pharmaceuticals, and exchange of experience in counteracting counterfeit pharmaceuticals were among the topics discussed during the bilateral meeting.
Dr. Ahmet Demircan, Minister of Health of the Republic of Turkey received Ambassador of Cuba to Turkey

Dr. Ahmet Demircan, Minister of Health of the Republic of Turkey received Luis Alberto Amoros Nunez, Ambassador of Cuba on 21 February 2018. Ambassador Amoros Nunez presented an invitation letter addressing Minister Demircan from his counterpart Roberto Morales Ojeda, Minister of Public Health of Cuba to International Cuba Salud 2018 Congress to be held on 23-27 April 2018. Furthermore, it was agreed to initiate the official process to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the two countries for cooperation in the field of health.
Deputy Minister of Health of Uzbekistan visited Turkey

Prof. Dr. Abdukhakim Khadjibaev, Deputy Minister of Health and Director of Jumhuriya Emergency Medicine Research Centre of Uzbekistan visited Turkey to exchange experience in the field of emergency medicine and to make observations in some facilities on 15-16 February 2018. Deputy Minister held a bilateral meeting with Prof. Dr. Eyüp Gümüş, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Health on 16 February 2018.

Chairman of the World Egyptian Health Professionals Union visited the General Directorate of European Union Foreign Affairs

Chairman and representatives of the World Egyptian Health Professionals Union paid a visit to the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs. During the meeting held in the office of the Director General Dr. Selami Kılıç, situation of Egyptian health professionals as well as working and training opportunities were discussed.
Visit by Gaza Islamic University Delegation in the context of Collaboration on Turkey-Palestine Friendship Hospital in Gaza

A delegation from Gaza Islamic University visited the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs on 1 February 2018 to discuss collaboration on Turkey-Palestine Friendship Hospital in Gaza, built by Turkish Cooperation and Collaboration Agency of the Republic of Turkey with a capacity of 180 beds. During the meetings, protocol and joint management topics were discussed.

Consultation Meeting with Turkey Director of Islamic Development Bank

A consultation meeting was held with Salah Jelassi, Turkey Director of Islamic Development Bank on “Counteracting Preventable Blindness” project as well as further collaboration activities for the upcoming term.
The Second Consultation Meeting of Intensive Care and Infection Control Training Project

The second meeting of the consultation group which was established for “Intensive Care and Infection Control Training Project” targeting the Organization of Islamic Countries member countries was held on 15 February 2018 at the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs. Intensive care and infection specialists who are working at the public hospitals in Ankara and representatives from the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs attended the meeting. Curriculum of the relevant trainings and future planning of the project were discussed during the meeting.

Azerbaijani Patients Treated in Turkey visited the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs

Elnur Nabiyev, Murat Nabiyev and Ali Mahmudov who could not be treated in Azerbaijan and came to Turkey under Additional Article 14 of the Basic Law on Health Services no 3359 for treatment at Ankara Gülhane Training and Research Hospital visited the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs.
Delegation of the Ministry of Health visited Bangladesh

A delegation consisting of the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs and General Directorate of Public Hospitals visited Bangladesh on 20-26 February 2018 in order to hold meetings with the Ministry of Health of Bangladesh and carry out inspections at the Field Hospital which was established by the Turkish Ministry of Health in Bangladesh Cox Bazar to help the Rohingya Muslims.

Izmir Field Visit in cooperation with the WHO

Concerning assignment of the Urla International Emergency Disaster Training and Simulation Center (URLASIM) as the WHO Collaboration Center, a field visit was performed in Izmir on 1-2 February 2018 with the participation of the Turkish Ministry of Health and WHO in order to evaluate and accelerate the process through the preparation of the necessary documents and curriculum. KBRN (chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear) workshop planned to be held in Izmir in cooperation with the Turkish Ministry of Health and WHO was also discussed during the visit.
Foreign Healthcare Professionals with Ongoing Training in Turkey

Training programs of the foreign healthcare staff who are receiving training as observers in the affiliated training and research hospitals of the Ministry are ongoing under bilateral agreements. Within the framework of such programs, training of 3 foreign healthcare staff is ongoing at the Research and Training Hospitals affiliated to the Ministry of Health as of 28 February 2018.

Closing Meeting for Adaptation of the Turkish Health Accounts System to OECD 2011 System

On 9 May 2017, “Adaptation of the Turkish Health Accounts System to OECD 2011 System Project” was launched and various studies were performed to realize the targeted adaptation. Closing meeting of the project was held in Ankara on 7 February 2018 in order to share the relevant results. General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs attended the meeting as well. During the meeting, general information was provided about the project and the relevant studies were shared.

1st International Traditional and Complementary Medicine Congress Coordination Meeting

Within the framework of the preparations of the 1st International Traditional and Complementary Medicine Congress to be held in Istanbul on 19-22 April 2018, a coordination meeting was held at the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs on 19 February 2018 concerning the international dimension of the congress and contributions of the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs.

High-Level Meeting for Accelerating Implementation of International Health Regulation in WHO European Region and Strengthening Emergency Preparedness

High-Level Meeting for Accelerating Implementation of International Health Regulation (IHR) in WHO European Region and Strengthening Emergency Preparedness was held in Munich, Germany on 13-15 February 2018. Besides the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs; General Directorate of Public Health and General Directorate of Emergency Health Services attended the meeting.

Main components of the emergency preparedness, activities to be performed under the IHR, preparation of regional action plan to develop public health preparedness and antimicrobial resistance as the growing public health threat were discussed during the meeting.

Treatment of Foreign Patients in Turkey

As per "Article 14 of the Basic Law on Health Services no 3359” 37 patients and as per Bilateral Agreements and Protocols 126 patients -163 foreign patients in total - were treated in Turkey as of 28 February 2018.
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