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Within the framework of FRIT (Facility for Refugees in Turkey) of €3 billion granted by EU for the Syrians under temporary protection in Turkey, a signing ceremony took place for the investment of Kilis State Hospital, between the Ministry of Health and Council of Europe Development Bank, on 8 June 2018 at the meeting hall of the Ministry.

Council of Europe Development Bank, Turkey Delegation of the European Union and Undersecretary of the Ministry Prof. Dr. Eyüp Gümüş was present at the ceremony, and the Agreement was signed by Deputy Undersecretary Dr. Şuayip Birinci on behalf of the Ministry of Health and Rosa Sanchez Yebra on behalf of the Council of Europe Development Bank.

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Undersecretary of the Ministry of Health Prof. Dr. Eyüp Gümüş paid an official visit to Georgia in order to meet with the officials of the Georgian Ministry of Health, examine the health system and attend the Uro-oncology Congress.

Within the framework of the visit, Undersecretary Gümüş had a meeting with Deputy Health Minister of Georgia Dr. Maia Lagvilava, and exchanged opinions on probable areas of cooperation such as health services in times of emergencies and disasters, pharmaceuticals-medical devices and medical tourism. Furthermore, it was mentioned to provide health system support for Georgia in line with the experiences of Turkey arising from the Health Transformation Program.

The two parties also talked about the city hospitals and private-public partnership, and Prof. Dr. Gümüş invited Dr. Lagvilava to Turkey.

Being a Urology Professor, Mr. Undersecretary attended the 8th Eurasian Uro-ontology Congress organized by the Eurasian Uro-ontology Foundation founded by him. During his speech at the Congress, Prof. Dr. Gümüş underlined that Turkey attaches importance to unite the regional countries around the science and exchange opinions and develop mutual learning and friendship.

Prof. Dr. Gümüş expressed his wish for further development of the cooperation between two countries and added that “I would like to express my gratitude to Georgian Ministry of Health for hosting and supporting this important Congress.”
Grant Agreement with Somalia

Grant Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Turkey and Government of the Federal Republic of Somalia in the field of Health concerning grant of 1 light truck and supplies worthy of TL 66,674,36 in order to be used at the Mogadishu Somalia & Turkey Reception.

Tayyip Erdoğan Training and Research Hospital was signed in Ankara on 27 June 2018 by Undersecretary Prof. Dr. Eyüp Gümüş based on the authority vested by the Cabinet Decree no 2018/11348.

Minister Counsellor of the Embassy of Senegal visited the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs

Minister Counsellor Cheikh Diallo and First Secretary Maktar Sadio from the Embassy of Senegal to Ankara visited General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs on 7 June 2018 and had a meeting with Director-General Dr. Selami Kılıç.

During the meeting, Minister Counsellor Cheikh Diallo stated that there is a good cooperation ongoing between the two countries and this cooperation is further developed with the visit of the President of the Republic of Turkey in February 2018. They also invited the Health Minister of the Republic of Turkey, as guest of honor, or a delegation from the Ministry for the 9th SISDAK International Expo on Health and Medical Equipment to be held in Dakar on 18-21 July 2018.

On the other hand, Director-General Dr. Selami Kılıç stated that they attach importance to cooperation with Senegal and they know that Senegal is a center of attraction in its region, and they are ready to cooperate with Senegal especially in the fields of joint health weeks, capacity building trainings of the healthcare professionals and health system strengthening.
Ambassador of Gambia visited General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs

Ambassador of Gambia to Ankara Kemeseng S.M. Jammeh and diplomatic officer Sering Modou Nije visited General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs on 13 June 2018 and had a meeting with Director-General Dr. Selami Kılıç.

During the meeting, the parties exchanged opinions on the cooperation areas in the field of health. In this regard, it was stated that 25 Gambian patients can be treated in Turkey under the Agreement signed in Ankara on 11 February 2014 and 20% of this quota has been used so far and if the quota is used completely, addition 1-2 patients may be treated under the Law no 3359, and emergency and disaster training would be organized for 20 Gambian healthcare personnel in Izmir for 15 days. The parties also talked about organization of common health weeks, and following appointment of the new Health Minister, arrangement of an official visit to see the Turkish health system and discuss the cooperation areas between two countries.

Preliminary Meeting for the 1st International Transplant Network Congress

The 1st International Transplant Network Congress will be organized in Antalya between 17-21 October 2018 in coordination of the Turkish Transplant Foundation and with the support of the Ministry of Health. In this regard, a meeting was organized at the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs on 7 June 2018 with the participation of the Chairman of the Turkish Transplant Foundation Eyüp Kahveci and the accompanying delegation. Agenda of the Congress, participants, sessions to be attended by the Ministers, invitation letters addressed to the foreign ministers and the declaration to be signed by all participants.
Coordination Group Meeting of Alliance to Fight Avoidable Blindness

Coordination Group Meeting of Alliance to Fight Avoidable Blindness was held at the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs on 11 June 2018 with the participation of Director-General Dr. Selami Kılıç, Head of Department Yusuf Irmak and representatives of the stakeholders (AID, Doctors Worldwide and BISEG). The meeting included exchange of experiences and opinions on roadmap and planning for AFAB project.

Description of Action and Budget Table Preparation Meeting for Health Security Strengthening in Turkey

Description of Action (DoA) and budget table preparation is ongoing under the Health Security Strengthening in Turkey, which will start this year and Ministry of Health will be beneficiary of.

In this regard, meetings were organized at the General Directorate of Public Health between 6-8 June 2018 and 25-27 June 2018 in order to prepare the DoA document and budget table. General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs attended the meeting as well.
Intensive Care and Infection Control Training

Within the framework of the Developing Health Manpower Capacity in OIC Member States, The 1st Round of Intensive Care and Infection Control Training was held in Ankara between 25 June and 13 July 2018. Theoretical training was provided for 22 healthcare professionals from Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan. The training program continued, for two weeks, with practical trainings at five training and research hospitals located in Ankara.

Contact Meeting on Horizon 2020 (2014-2020) Program

In order to increase gains of Turkey from Horizon 2020 (2014-2020) Program, a consultation board was constituted with the participation of Ministry and Board representatives such as Ministries of European Union, Science, Industry and Technology, Foreign Affairs, Development and Finance, Undersecretary of Treasury and Higher Education Board, and appointed as National Coordination Institution for Horizon 2020 Program. A meeting was organized on 21 June 2018 so as to extend the Consultation Board to cover the other Ministries and Institutions. General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs attended the meeting on behalf of the Ministry of Health.
Coordination Meeting for Rohingya Crisis

As a result of the humanitarian crisis that started in Myanmar on 25 August 2017 and caused displacement of around 700 thousands Rohingya Muslims and taking refuge in Bangladesh, the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Turkey operates a field hospital in Cox’s Bazar.

In order to maintain leading role of Turkey and with the participation of the countries and international organizations sharing the similar vision, it is planned to hold a meeting in Ankara on 29 June 2018, and within the framework of the preparations, a coordination meeting was held at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 1 June 2018 under the chairmanship of Deputy Undersecretary Ambassador Ümit Yardım. Head of Department Arif Çetin from General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs and two heads of department from General Directorate of Public Hospitals attended the meeting.

During the meeting, the representatives of the Ministry of Health stated that in Bangladesh, there occurred some problems arising from personnel assignments and working permits, but the problems are settled for now, it is planned to build a hospital on the Turkish hill of Balidali district, the Bangladesh authorities prevent the health services and cause some problems for provision of medicines and medical devices, there were performed around 60 examinations and 700 operations at the field hospital of Cox’s Bazar, the hospital is coordinated by IHH, it is essential to ensure better coordination with NGOs, IH provided health services for 94,200 persons and has 2 clinics, the untreatable patients are transferred to Bangladesh hospitals and 60 persons/per month receive health services from MSF.
Mali Coordination Meeting

In order to discuss the details of technical visit to Mali, aiming to establish cooperation between Turkey and Mali in the field of health, a coordination meeting was held on 13 June 2018 at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with the participation of Director-General Dr. Selami Kılıç. The meeting was chaired by Africa Director-General Ambassador Ahmet Rıza Demirer.

WHO Country Office and Country Cooperation Strategy Document Revision Meeting

It was decided to prepare a Country Cooperation Strategy Document in order to regulate the relations between the WHO and Ministry of Health and determine the medium-term priority areas. Based on the written opinions of the relevant departments of the Ministry, CCS priorities were laid down during a meeting between the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs and WHO, and the first draft of the document was prepared accordingly. In order make sure that the draft document reflects the perspective and priorities of the Ministry, a working group was established among the WHO and General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs, and a meeting was held on 28 June 2018.

Meeting for Draft Communique on Certified Institutions in the field of Medical Devices

A meeting was organized by the Ministry of Economics on 27 June 2018 concerning “Draft Communique on Certified Institutions in the field of Medical Devices”. The meeting aimed to exchange opinions on Draft Communique on Certified Institutions in the field of Medical Devices, prepared by the Turkish presented to the evaluation of the relevant Medicines and Medical Devices Agency and institutions, and provide information on the sharing of the draft with the European Commission. General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs and Turkish Medicines and Medical Devices Agency attended the meeting.
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, a total of 118 foreign healthcare staff received training as of 30 June 2018.

Training of 25 foreign healthcare staff is ongoing at the Research and Training Hospitals affiliated to the Ministry of Health.

20th Meeting of Intellectual and Industrial Property Rights Coordination Board

Intellectual and Industrial Property Rights Coordination Board, which was established, with the Prime Ministry Circular no 2008/7, to create short, medium and long-term strategies for the intellectual and industrial property rights, develop coordination and cooperation with the relevant institutions and increase efficiency of the practices, organized its 20th meeting on 26 June 2018 at Turkish Patent and Brand Institution.

Turkish Medicines and Medical Devices Agency and General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs attended the meeting on behalf of the Ministry of Health.

40th Commission Preliminary Meeting of D-8

Within the framework of the 40th Commission Meeting of the D-8 (8 Developing Countries) Organization, a meeting was held under coordination of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and with the participation of the relevant Ministries and institutions in order to perform a sectoral evaluation.

At the meeting, cooperation areas in the field of medicines and medical devices were discussed on the part of the Ministry of Health.

Draft Communique on Certified Institutions in the field of Medical Devices

In order to exchange opinions on the Draft Communique published by the Turkish Medicines and Medical Devices Agency to appoint certified institutions in line with the EU Regulations, a meeting was organized on 12 June 2018 with the Ministry of Economics General Directorate of Product Safety and Supervision.

General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs attended the meeting as well.

TAIEX System Contact Meeting

In order to provide updated information about the TAIEX database, an informative meeting was organized at the Ministry of EU on 20 June 2018.

General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs attended the meeting on behalf of the Ministry of Health.

Treatment of Foreign Patients in Turkey

As per "Article 14 of the Basic Law on Health Services no 3359" 153 patients and as per Bilateral Agreements and Protocols 503 patients - 656 foreign patients in total - were treated in Turkey as of 30 June 2018.
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