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On occasion of the visit to Namibia, Dr. Fahrettin Koca held bilateral meeting with Co-chair and Minister of Industrialization, Commerce and SME Development of Namibia Tjekero Tweya; Minister of Health and Social Services Dr. Kalumbi Shangula and Minister of Transport John Mutorwa.
Minister of Health of Bahrein Dr. Faeqa Bint Saeed Al Saleh and the accompanying delegation visited Turkey on 30 July – 03 August 2019 to strengthen the relations between the two countries in the field of health, and visit the new hospitals constructed with PPP model and certain units of the Ministry of Health.

On occasion of the visit, Minister of Health of Turkey Dr. Fahrettin Koca and Minister of Health of Bahrein Dr. Faeqa Bint Saeed Al Saleh held a bilateral meeting on Wednesday, 31 July 2019. During the meeting, the two ministers discussed the areas of cooperation in the field of health.
A delegation of 10 from the Kazakh Ministry of Health visited Turkey on 8-13 July 2019 to make use of the experiences of Turkey in the area of public private partnership. Health Minister Dr. Fahrettin Koca received the Ambassador of Kazakhstan to Turkey Abzal Saparbekuli and the delegation of the Kazakh Ministry of Health on 11 July 2019.
Deputy Minister Prof. Dr. Emine Alp Meşe received the UNFPA Representative

Deputy Minister of Health Prof. Dr. Emine Alp Meşe received the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) Representative to Turkey Karl Kulessa and Reproductive Health Coordinator Dr. Gökhan Yıldırımkaya on 01 July 2019.

During the visit, the parties discussed the probable areas of cooperation with a specific focus on maternal and child health and reproductive health, and Deputy Minister was invited to the Nairobi Summit which will be organized, in collaboration with the Government of Kenya, Government of Denmark and UNFPA, to monitor the implementation of International Conference for Population and Development (ICPD).

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Deputy Minister of Health Prof. Dr. Emine Alp Meşe received the UNICEF Representative to Turkey Philippe Duamelle and Health Expert Dr. Mehmet Ali Torunoglu from UNICEF Turkey Office on 17 July 2019.

During the meeting, the visiting party provided information about the ongoing and planned activities under “Ministry of Health-UNICEF Rolling Work Plan 2018-2019” signed between the Turkish Ministry of Health and UNICEF in 2018.
Furthermore, the parties expressed their observations about the Turkish-Uzbek Health Business Forum planned to be organized in Tashkent at the end of September with the participation of public and private sectors of the two countries. The ministerial delegation headed by Halil Eldemir also attended the signature ceremony of the 5th Session of Turkey-Uzbekistan Intergovernmental Joint Economic Committee Meeting Protocol signed by Vice President of Turkey Fuat Oktay and Vice Prime Minister of Uzbekistan Elyor Ganiyev.

Deputy Minister of Health Halil Eldemir held a bilateral meeting with Deputy Minister of Health of Uzbekistan Bahodir Nizomov on 22 July 2019. Having visited Turkey on occasion of the 5th Session of Turkey-Uzbekistan Intergovernmental Joint Economic Committee Meeting, the Uzbek Deputy Minister and Halil Eldemir exchanged views on health systems strengthening and enhancing relations in the areas of medicines, medical devices, health tourism and public private partnership as well as the health-related topics of the Protocol to be signed at the end of the meeting.

5th Session of Turkey-Uzbekistan Intergovernmental Joint Economic Committee Meeting
The 8th Exercise of the National Medical Rescue Team (UMKE) organized by the General Directorate of Emergency Health Services took place in Malatya on 26-27 July 2019. UMKE joined the WHO Emergency Medical Teams, and officials from the World Health Organization (WHO) and representatives from the OIC member states were present during the exercise.

Within the framework of the program, “Integrated Approach to Disasters Symposium”, aiming to enhance cooperation between WHO and OIC for health emergency preparedness, took place in Malatya on 26 July 2019 with the participation of the relevant public and non-governmental organizations of Turkey and WHO and OIC representatives.

On occasion of the 8th UMKE exercise, Deputy Minister of Health Dr. Şuayip Birinci held a bilateral meeting with Deputy Minister of Health of Uzbekistan Abdukhakim Khadjibaev. During the meeting, they discussed the areas of cooperation with a focus on emergency health services under the Turkish-Uzbek Health Business Forum to be organized on 3-5 October 2019.
16th Session of the Turkey-Russia Joint Economic Commission Meeting

On the margin of the 16th Session of the Turkey-Russia Joint Economic Commission Meeting held in Antalya on 24-26 July 2019, the ministerial delegation headed by Director-General of EU and Foreign Affairs Dr. Selami Kılıç held meetings with the Russian delegation headed by Deputy Minister of Health of the Russian Federation Dimitry Kostennikov. During the meetings, the parties underlined the importance of establishing a joint working group for developing health services, particularly in the field of medicines and medical devices, and enhancing cooperation at bilateral and multilateral platforms. Furthermore, the delegations discussed and agreed on the Memorandum of Understanding, which is planned to be signed between the Health Ministries of the two countries with a view to contributing to bilateral and multilateral relations and will bring a new dimension to the bilateral relations regarding the activity field of USHAŞ.

IPA (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance) Financial Cooperation Committee Meeting

In order to discuss the measures and plans for effective use of the financial assistance allocated under IPA (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance) II Period (2014-2020), and provide information about financial cooperation process, Financial Cooperation Committee and high-level working meetings are organized at certain intervals. Within this framework, the Financial Cooperation Committee Meeting took place at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 23 July 2019 in order to provide information on the IPA III Period of 2021 – 2027. Deputy Minister of Health Prof. Dr. Emine Alp Meşe and representatives from the General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs attended the meeting.
Turkey Visit of Deputy Minister of Health Development of Somaliland

Deputy Minister of Health Development of Somaliland Liban Yusuf Osman Hussein (former Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation) visited General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs on 9 July 2019 and held a meeting with Director-General Dr. Selami Kılıç. During the meeting, the parties addressed the issues of support for hospitals and health infrastructure of Somaliland and personnel training, as well as treatment of Somaliland patients in Turkey under health tourism. It was underlined that Mogadishu Recep Tayyip Erdoğan Training and Research Hospital was not established to serve only in Mogadishu but for Somali in general. The parties also exchanged views on deepening cooperation in the field of health through contracts to be signed with USHAŞ.

Ambassador of Somalia visited General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs

Ambassador of Federal Republic of Somalia to Turkey Jama Abdillahi Mohamed visited General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs and held a meeting with Director-General Dr. Selami Kılıç on 12 July 2019. During the meeting, the parties addressed the issue of treatment of 250 Somalian patients in Turkey under the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Turkey and Government of the Republic of Somalia on Cooperation in the field of Health.
The 3rd Session of G20 Health Working Group took place in Tokyo, Japan on 1-2 July 2019 under the presidency of Japan. General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs attended the meeting which provided a venue for drafting Declaration adopted at the G20 Health Ministers Meeting.

Ambassador of Hungary visited General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs

Ambassador of Hungary to Turkey Viktor Matis visited General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs and held a meeting with Director-General Dr. Selami Kılıç on 12 July 2019. During the meeting, the parties addressed the issues of Turkish-Hungarian Joint Working Group meeting which will be held prior to High-Level Strategic Cooperation Council at the end of 2019, and other areas of cooperation in the field of health.

Health Emergency Training in Islamic Countries

Trainers from the Turkish Ministry of Health provided training for around 30 Guinean healthcare staff in Conakry, Guinea on 13-19 July 2019 within the framework of health emergencies capacity building trainings in cooperation with the Ministry of Health of Turkey and Organization of Islamic Cooperation.
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