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**Dear Prof. Sciare,**

**SUBJECT: Collaboration with The Cyprus Institute in the Project “AIR-COVID-NETWORK”**

I would like to refer to the abovementioned subject and to our recent relevant meeting at the premises of the Nicosia General Hospital (NGH), onsite at the Intensive Care Unit (ICU), and to warmly thank you for making yourself and your team available.

As you are aware, NGH is the biggest hospital in Cyprus, with the largest building and equipment infrastructure; it is the only tertiary hospital in the country, with clinical and departmental facilities that are not provided in other public and/or private hospitals. More importantly, NGH has Laboratories and Units that are fully equipped with modern instruments and machines, and staffed with specially trained medical, nursing, paramedical and administrative staff. Our ICU is not an exception; in fact, it is one of the leading in the country, and one with keen interests at the level of European and International Societies of Intensive Care Medicine. Our primary target, of course, remains the protection of the Citizen, through the provision of high-level qualitative health services, with humanity and responsibility.

As per the above, we were very happy to welcome you and your scientific team for your onsite visit and discussions, which have led also to your planned research project of: “**A Bioaerosol Network to detect COVID-19 in the Air (AIR-COVID-NETWORK)**”, through your “Centre of Excellence” established by the European Union Horizon-2020 “Teaming” Programme and the Cypriot Government.

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Within this context, we very much welcome your key contributions in scientific support and technological assistance; especially your “AIR-COVID-NETWORK” approach of contributing to the national efforts against COVID-19, through its specific objectives of monitoring the presence of airborne Covid-19 within large indoor public areas, as well as developing and evaluating the benefits of implementing an easy-to-operate Bioaerosol Network. As such, **we hereby pledge our support on your “AIR-COVID-NETWORK” and we are particularly interested in actively contributing and facilitating:**

- **Air Sampling and PCR analysis / Validation of protocols;**
- **Investigating the Aerosol size distribution of Covid-19 in the air and dispersion of the Covid-19 inside the ICU (clean area, corridors, offices); and**
- **Evaluating Clinical Scenarios of Aerosol Generating Procedures within the ICU (i.e. tracheal intubation, bronchoscopy, open suctioning, administration of nebulized treatment, and others).**

Warmly thanking you for your commitment and interest to Public Health, to the safety of it’s frontline medical-nursing-paramedical staff, and of course the Citizen, we wish you success in your “AIR-COVID-NETWORK”.

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