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I wish to thank you for your note dated 3 December 2021, whereby the CPCP expresses its concerns regarding the tarification of hospital care services in Luxembourg, and the impact on the attractiveness of Luxembourg as place of employment.

Let me first assure you that I am following this file very closely and that we are all concerned about this matter.

Following my contacts at political level, I have made sure that the Commission relevant colleagues engage actively with their Luxembourg counterparts in order to find a solution. DG HR and PMO had several meetings with the Luxembourg authorities throughout 2021 and raised all the issues currently faced by JSIS members. I understand that the discussion took place in a constructive spirit and the Luxembourgish authorities promised to make short-term amendments to the cost calculations per intervention/hospital and indicated they would start a long-term exercise to adjust their cost methodology and achieve more granulated prices. The Commission also requested that a tariff grid be made available to staff by hospitals so that our staff would be more aware of the costs that will be charged and can make informed choices.

This is against the background of the analysis by the Commission Legal Service that the current tarification system of hospitals in Luxembourg does not amount to a discrimination on the basis of nationality, since all other EU nationals that use the Luxembourgish hospitals but without being insured in Luxembourg are treated in a similar manner.

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I would also like to reassure you that the PMO follows up closely when colleagues raise issues of high tariffs so as to come to appropriate arrangements with the hospitals concerned.

I have asked DG HR and PMO to continue to actively engage with their Luxembourgish counterparts in order to deliver concrete results.

Besides my close coordination with the other EU institutions in Luxembourg that are equally affected, I will also continue my exchanges at political level to try to find the best solution for all colleagues posted in Luxembourg.

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)
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