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Dr. Christina Fabian,
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Uemo Delegates

Bathmen, febr. 12th, 2003

Dear Christina,
Dear UEMO-friends,

As you were informed by Niek van 't Grunewold, I resigned as a member of the board of the L.H.V., the Dutch G.P.-association, some weeks ago. The reason was a difference in opinion concerning policy and strategy of the L.H.V.

Because I did not want to accept responsibility for a policy I did not agree with, I resigned.

After 5 years membership of the board, including 2 years as a vice-president of the L.H.V., I have now stopped my work for the Dutch association.

Unfortunately that inevitably leads to an end being a Dutch delegate to UEMO. I always enjoyed the UEMO-meetings and took my share in the, sometimes difficult discussions, with enthusiasm.

Needless to say that I really do regret not meeting all of you at the next UEMO-conference in Stockholm.

As the chairman of the working group "Medical Informatics" I regret not being able to continue the positive line of development we just had started in our group.

I hope, Liam, that you, and Gordana, and the other members of the W.G. will go on, because I sincerely feel that ICT/Medical Informatics are a very important issue for European G.P.'s and UEMO and deserve full attention.

Please, do feel free to contact me if you like to discuss or seek some information which you think I can give you.

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My dear Christina, as the president of UEMO, you have a difficult task to fulfill, especially in conducting UEMO to an strong, effective and clearly identified position in European healthcare politics. The political circumstances are difficult and the position of G.P.'s in most of the membercountries is in jeopardy. I wish you success!

To all of you, I like to say: best wishes in your personal and professional life.

I hope we will meet again, some time some place.

Yours,

Joop

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