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Dear Ms Sõber,

Date: 22 April 2025

Ms Helen Sõber Adviser European Union Affairs and International Cooperation Department Ministry of Social Affairs Suur-Ameerika 1 10122 Tallinn Estonia

28th meeting of the Joint Convention/WHO Task Force on Health Aspects of Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution Bonn, Germany (virtual event), 20–21 May 2025

I have the honour to inform you that the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe plans to hold the above-mentioned virtual meeting.

The meeting will gather representatives of the Parties to the Convention as well as experts and stakeholders. The meeting will provide an opportunity to take stock of international policies and processes for air quality and health, discuss progress in research on health risk assessment of air pollution, including HRAPIE2 project, and the new evidence related to the good practice statements of the WHO global air quality guidelines. Examples of country experiences will be presented, as well as updates on the WHO tools (AirQ+ and CLIMAQ-H) and their application. In addition, the draft Task Force on Health workplan for 2026–2027 will be discussed.

An outline of the scope and purpose of the meeting and a copy of the provisional agenda are enclosed.

I have pleasure in inviting you to nominate one participant for the meeting, who could actively contribute to the topics on the agenda. We expect the nominated person to be an expert in assessment of the health effects of air pollution, in monitoring air pollution and/or in formulating national policies on air pollution control. Additionally, they should be able to communicate effectively in English.

As contributions under the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe's Convention on Longrange Transboundary Air Pollution are managed nationally by a designated entity (in many cases, the ministry of environment or environmental protection), we kindly request that you inform and coordinate with the designated entity and other relevant ministries on nomination of a participant to this meeting.

The working language will be English; no interpretation will be provided.

I look forward to receiving your nomination, giving the name, functional title, and postal and email addresses of the proposed participants, at your earliest convenience and **no later than 12 May 2025**.

We shall then communicate with the participant directly and provide the necessary documentation and administrative information.

As Dr Dorota Jarosinska has overall responsibility for the activities of the Task Force on Health and it would be appreciated if you would address your reply to:

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Sincerely yours,

Mr Robb Butler Director Division of Communicable Diseases, Environment and Health

Encls.: Scope and purpose Provisional agenda

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