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Dear Mr Bernt Nielsen,

Extension of Phase VII (2019-2025)

I am pleased to inform you of the extension of Phase VII of the WHO European Healthy Cities Network for an additional year, to 2025.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, WHO Europe along with cities and national networks have seen their priorities change dramatically with the necessity to realign to new challenges. Many cities had to put the application process on hold while they adapted to new ways of working and coping during this difficult time. This now gives us a unique opportunity to extend Phase VII for one year, to allow cities ample time to properly fulfil their commitments to implement Phase VII. It will also give the network an opportunity to align with the European Programme of Work (EPW) 2020-2025 and its core priorities.

In line with this decision we appreciate that your city/national network may need to amend the Council resolution to consider the political, technical, administrative and financial arrangements to continue your local healthy city programme of action and membership of the WHO Network.

If your city has any queries regarding this extension please contact the WHO Europe Healthy City Secretariat (eurohealthycities@who.int) before **Monday, 31 May 2021**. If we do not hear from you by then we will understand that your city has accepted this extension.

If you would like this letter to be sent directly to your politician, please forward the contact details of the person to whom the letter should be addressed as soon as possible. (eurohealthycities@who.int)

Sincerely,

Dr Nino Berdzuli
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