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Dear Mr Kirch,

As part of our ongoing monitoring of Tempus activities in Serbia, a field monitoring visit took place on 17 December 2007 at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Belgrade. Stefan Dukiandjiev and Marija Filipovic-Ozegovic from the National Tempus Office Serbia met and discussed the progress of activities with the local representatives of the project, represented by: dean, Prof Djuricic, vice rector, Prof Sedmak and project coordinator, Prof Jankovic. Also other university staff involved in other Tempus projects, joined the discussions: Prof Bumbasirevic, vice dean and coordinator of CD JEP 41131, Prof Petrovic, vice dean, Prof Seferovic, coordinator of CD JEP 19046, Prof Bjegovic, head of Centre - School of Public Health and Dr Stevanovic coordinator of CD JEP 41171.

We would like to thank the representatives for the time they devoted to the discussions and for having provided updated information on the progress that is being made towards the achievement of the project objectives. We have concluded from the discussions that the project is well on track towards the successful implementation of its ambitious programme.

In particular we are pleased to note that the project is very effectively addressing the reform of medical education and teaching at structural level. The project team has sought the support from the dean and his team at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Belgrade and at the Ministry of Health from the start of the project.

One result of this institutional support for the newly developed curriculum for Master of Health Policy and Management Course (MHPM) is the accreditation at University level, thus ensuring sustainability of the project. The presence of the coordinators of three other Tempus projects being implemented at the University of Belgrade (CD JEP 41131, CD JEP 19046, CD JEP 19046) underlines the importance and the influence of the Tempus projects on the ongoing modernisation processes.

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Furthermore, the exchange with the EU partners is highly valued and the teaching staff at the School of Public Health, not only the ones involved in the project, benefit from the newly aquired experience and implement new ideas at their university. The academic staff involved promotes the programme in the relevant institutions and addresses students. We were pleased to hear about the considerable interest of students in this programme.

Once again, we wish you to thank the consortium and in particular the team at the University of Belgrade and we wish you a successful continuation of the activities.

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Yours sincerely,

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