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Subject: Consultation regarding Community action on health services - your e-mail from 27 October 2006

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Dear Mrs Michel,

Referring to your e-mail mentioned above we would like to inform you regarding question 1 as follows: The percentage of inpatients in Austrian acute care hospitals with residence in other countries than Austria was slowly increasing in the period 2001-2005 (we enclose the description of "number and percentage of hospital admissions in Austrian acute care hospitals by nation of residence 2001-2005"). Those inpatients receive basic services as well as highly specialized medical services, depending on their needs. Hospital admissions from our neighbouring countries are observed primarily from Germany and from Italy (cf. attachment). With respect to Germany we know about one pilot project trying to coordinate and integrate services from two hospitals very near the border (hospitals of Braunau in Austria and Simbach in Germany).

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Perspectives and necessities of future development in this field as well as answers to the remaining eight questions need discussion on policy level and cannot be provided by us.

Yours sincerely,

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Table 1: Number and percentage of hospital admissions in Austrian acute care hospitals by nation of residence 2001-2005

Number of hospital admissions (incl. day cases)										
Percentage of hospital admissions										
Nation of residence	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Belgien	510	578	589	559	572	0,02	0,02	0,02	0,02	0,02
Dänemark	379	379	473	367	447	0,02	0,02	0,02	0,01	0,02
Deutschland	19333	21450	21286	21797	22290	0,84	0,90	0,88	0,88	0,89
Frankreich	387	316	381	407	382	0,02	0,01	0,02	0,02	0,02
Italien	5051	5403	5317	4908	4587	0,22	0,23	0,22	0,20	0,18
Kroatien	234	268	380	573	461	0,01	0,01	0,02	0,02	0,02
Liechtenstein	810	916	946	1000	1085	0,04	0,04	0,04	0,04	0,04
Niederlande	2049	2326	2500	2304	2346	0,09	0,10	0,10	0,09	0,09
Österreich	2260240	2354287	2365356	2437286	2464826	98,39	98,31	98,32	98,33	98,29
Polen	520	502	494	572	650	0,02	0,02	0,02	0,02	0,03
Rumänien	202	347	271	355	561	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,02
Schweden	265	280	270	268	305	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01
Schweiz	876	1010	1111	1182	1219	0,04	0,04	0,05	0,05	0,05
Slowakei	270	269	319	461	576	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,02	0,02
Slowenien	293	330	419	462	445	0,01	0,01	0,02	0,02	0,02
CR	357	435	482	458	487	0,02	0,02	0,02	0,02	0,02
Ungarn	683	738	750	765	1021	0,03	0,03	0,03	0,03	0,04
(USA)	373	328	305	405	366	0,02	0,01	0,01	0,02	0,01
UK	954	1025	1103	1167	1293	0,04	0,04	0,05	0,05	0,05
Sonstige	3431	3487	3078	3456	3840	0,15	0,15	0,13	0,14	0,15
Total	2297217	2394674	2405830	2478752	2507759	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00	100,00

Percentage of hospital admissions 2001-2005 > 0,2%

"Source: Austrian Ministry of Health and Women - Hospital Admission Statistics 2001-2005; calculations by GÖG/ÖBIG"

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