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To: [Redacted]
Subject: Access to safe areas for MSF on Samos
Importance: High

Dear Secretary General Dimitrios Glymis,

I hope this email finds you well. As you might know, Switzerland and Greece closely cooperate within the framework of the [Swiss-Greek Cooperation Programme](#). One of the projects under this cooperation is the operation of the Safe Areas for Unaccompanied Migrant Children on Kos, Chios, Leros, and Samos. The project is implemented by the NGO Zeuxis.

The Swiss Contribution Office conducted a monitoring visit to the Samos Closed Controlled Access Center (CCAC) in early December and carried out an assessment of the Safe Areas' current operations. During this time, we also met with representatives of Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF), who are active on the island and have access to the CCAC, but not to the Safe Area.

Based on our discussions and the findings of the assessment, it appears that providing MSF access to the Safe Area at Samos CACC could address several challenges. MSF's involvement could help fill gaps in healthcare provision by offering nursing support and medical supplies. Currently, the Safe Area benefits from the support of Hippocrates, but the supply of medicines seems to be limited. This has resulted in children, who are not fully registered, being unable to obtain prescribed medicines and resorting to purchasing them without prescriptions. This situation highlights the need for coordination to ensure adequate healthcare for these children. We suggest Zeuxis and MSF to arrange a regular schedule for medical support at the Safe Area. This collaboration could help ensure consistent medical assistance and better meet the needs of the children in the facility.

I would appreciate your feedback on this proposal and I am available to discuss any steps required to move forward. Thank you for considering this matter, and I look forward to your response.

It would be my pleasure to meet you for a courtesy visit at your earliest convenience, during which we can also discuss our current and future cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

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