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Mr Denzil Jacobs, Senior Manager: Panel Management, Road Accident Fund 2 Eco Glades Office Park 420 Witch-Hazel Avenue Centurion, 0046 Pretoria, South Africa

Dear Mr. Jacobs,

I write this letter on behalf of American board of independent medical examiners (ABIME). I've been asked by SAMLA leadership including Dr. Herman Edeling to communicate with you and advise you about a preliminary dialogue we have begun for a potential high level collaboration between ABIME and SAMLA.

During the past several months a professional discussion has developed between the SAMLA and ABIME leadership to join forces in bringing high quality medical legal education to our South African colleagues that will combine ABIME's expertise in teaching AMA guides and writing high quality medical legal reports with SAMLA's faculty's unique expertise in South African law as it applies to personal injury claims. ABIME views a potential partnership with SAMLA in its educational endeavors both desirable and feasible.

In this regards, there's a mutual understanding between our organizations to begin with faculty cross exchange as the guest lecturer to each organization's educational program. At this initial stage of professional cooperation, our colleague neurosurgeon Dr. Herman Edeling has graciously accepted my invitation to lecture at the traumatic brain injury workshop that ABIME is presenting along with the AMA guides training in Johannesburg in September this year. ABIME intends to reciprocate in a similar fashion in one of the upcoming SAMLA program.

The leadership from both organizations intend to meet in person in September this year while I am in Johannesburg to consider all the possible avenues of cooperation including cross credit for each organization's training program towards its credentialing and ongoing maintenance of such credentials. I believe that such cooperation would benefit the healthcare professionals in South Africa that provide services to road accident and personal injury victims which would eventually benefit RAF in getting high quality medical legal reports that will assist your organization in adjudicating these claims based on objective scientific reports based on AMA Guides.

I look forward to hearing from you and your thoughts on how best we can serve.

Kindest regards, Prof. Ranavaya

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