January 9th, 2005

Dr. Milan Tichacek, President
The Czech Society for Emergency Medicine (CzSEM)

Dear Dr. Tichacek,

The European Society for Emergency Medicine (EuSEM) and the American Academy of Emergency Medicine (AAEM) are pleased to announce the Third Mediterranean Emergency Medicine Congress (MEMC3) in Nice, France, September 2nd-5th, 2005.

We invite you to review the attached files providing details of the First Congress in Stresa/Italy, in 2001, and the Second Congress in Sitges/Spain, in 2003. You can find more information on the official MEMC website (www.emcongress.org).

The MEMC features international leaders and founders of Emergency Medicine coming together to share advances in our specialty being made around the world. In Sitges, the Second MEMC had 10 separate tracks, 6 workshops, 805 abstracts presented, and more than 40 sponsoring international EM societies. The 1300 delegates from 66 nations included 600 Europeans, 400 North Americans and 300 emergency physicians from the rest of the world.

On behalf of EuSEM and AAEM, it is truly our pleasure to invite your organization or society to join us in this Congress as a “Sponsoring Society.”

As a Sponsoring Society you will not have any financial risk or liability for the Congress. Your Society is encouraged to assign one official representative to serve as a member of the Third MEMC Advisory Board to assist in the Congress planning.

You will also have a 30-minute session in an English language track dedicated to your society, during which your speaker can give an overview of the state of Emergency Medicine in your country or address issues relevant to your organization or to its mission. This track is dedicated to the 40 or more organizing and sponsoring societies who will present an overview of the status of Emergency Medicine in their nation or the objectives and activities of their organization.

Your MEMC Advisory Board representative will also be asked to provide input and suggestions for the entire program and its activities. We will also attempt to involve individuals you recommend as speakers, track directors and moderators.

As a Sponsoring Society, your organization will be acknowledged on the MEMC website and will have your logo displayed with direct links to your official society website. Your logo will also, when applicable, be featured in announcements, programs,
syllabi, proceedings, promotional materials, and brochures distributed by the Congress, the organizational secretariat and all our other sponsoring societies.

Your Organization members can register for the Congress at the same discounted rate as EuSEM and AAEM members. If you request status as a “Developing Nation,” the executive committee will review and consider granting such a status on an individual basis using objective criteria such as per-capita income. If approved, your members’ registration fee will be further reduced, and will include free registration to one of our pre-congress workshops to be designated at a later time.

Your official representative (Advisory Board member) will have his/her Congress registration fee waived. Unfortunately the challenge of a multinational Congress with several concurrent tracks and limited industry support does not allow us to cover other expenses associated with this participation, such as lodging or travel.

In order to support and encourage your participation, we will refund to your organization up to 10% of the paid registrations received from delegates from your Country or organization who attend the Congress.

In exchange for the above, the MEMC organizers ask you to publicize the meeting to your members in the following manner:

- Distribute our 1st and 2nd announcements to your members/contacts by mail.
- Forward to all your members and contacts a minimum of 5 email messages that we will provide to you. They will include the First Announcement, Call for Abstracts, Second Announcement, and 2 Updates.
- Place a prominently visible link to www.emcongress.org on the homepage of your website, along with a statement which publicizes your leadership role as a Hosting Society.
- Advertise the Third MEMC free of charge at least two times in your organization’s newsletter or journal over the next 6 months

Thank you for considering this offer and for your leadership role in promoting Emergency Medicine internationally. We are appreciative for any support you can provide to promote participation in our Congress to your members and contacts.

EuSEM, AAEM, and the two of us look forward to your response. We are eager to answer any questions that you may have before you make a decision. You can email us at nice@emcongress.org if you wish one of us or our MEMC Executive Chairs to call to further discuss this proposal or clarify any questions you may have about this offer.

Respectfully,

David Williams, MD
EuSEM President

A. Antoine Kazzi, MD, FAAEM
AAEM President

Roberta Petrino, MD
EuSEM Executive Chair

Erik Barton, MD, FAAEM
AAEM Executive Chair