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Report on the Medical Council Malta Statutory Examination for Medical Practitioners Wednesday 12th April 2017

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To the President, Medical Council

The Medical Council Malta entrusted and appointed Mr. Philip Borg, Ph.Lic., S.Th.B., Dip|Soc.Sc, and Dr. Tanya Melillo M.D., M.Sc., Ph.D., both Members of the Medical Council, to act as Examination Coordinators during the Medical Council Malta Statutory Examinations (MCMSE) for Medical Practitioners scheduled for April 2017. This was unanimously approved during Council Meeting 03/2017 held on 21st October 2015. During the meeting held on 15th February 2017 Mr Borg was reconfirmed and Dr Melillo appointed to act as Examination Coordinators for the April 2017 MCMSE session.

Mr P. Borg and Dr. T. Melillo proceeded as per the decision of the Medical Council and held several meetings with the Examiners in order to set up the examination and the respective schedules.

All the candidates who were requested to sit for and successfully pass the MCMSE in order to be granted registration in Malta, were provided with preliminary information about the MCMSE scheduled for Wednesday 12th April 2017, including the Guidelines of the MCMSE, with first email dated 6th March 2017.

Applicants were asked to confirm their attendance by Friday 3rd March 2017, to submit a detailed Curriculum Vitae (CV) and a recent Certificate of Good Standing, provided that they had not submitted application within the past three (3) months by Friday 17th March 2017; and to pay the sum of € 1,218.20 (one thousand, two hundred, eighteen Euros and twenty Euro cents) in line with the provisions of Article 170 of Act No. XIII of 2015, 'Budget Measure Implementation Act 'Budget Measure Implementation Act 2015, by Friday 17th March 2017, otherwise they would not be eligible to sit for the examination. This list of candidates included 3 applicants.

Three (3) applicants confirmed their attendance and paid by the dates stipulated. Only two (2) candidates however sat for this exam, since the other applicant was not granted a Visa on time and informed the Medical Council about this the day before the exam was to be held. The candidates were provided with the venue and respective time-table by means of email dated 10th April 2017.

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The MCMSE was held at the Medical School, Block A, Level 0, Mater Dei Hospital, Tal-Qroqq, Msida. Mr Philip Borg and Dr Tanya Melillo, checked the candidates' means of identification and the Medical Council's letter confirming their eligibility. The MCMSE commenced at 08:30.

The MCMSE was conducted in the form of an interview (Viva Voce) in English. Each candidate was examined in the following subjects with two (2) Examiners during each session. Approximately, ten (10) minutes were allotted to each Examiner, and thus the whole examination took about one and a half hours (80 minutes).

The Grouping of Examiners was as per following subjects:

- Surgery & General Medicine
- Paediatrics & Gynaecology
- Family Medicine & Psychiatry
- Public Health & Pathology

All subjects were failing, that is the candidate had to obtain a passmark of minimum fifty (50) in all subjects. The Examination Coordinators delivered the results duly signed by the examiners to the Registrar immediately after the examinations.

Table 3: Breakdown of the results obtained by the candidates

DATE	NUMBER OF APPLICANTS	RESULTS	
		PASS	FAIL
12.04.2017	2 candidates sat for whole examination	1	1

The candidates were informed about the result and were provided with a breakdown of the marks obtained by means of email dated 17th April 2017 and subsequent letter dated 17th April 2017. The applicants were reminded that he/she can resit the MCMSE only a second time.

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MCMSE Coordinator - April 2017

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