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To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Mr Emmanouil Zacharakis son of Stavros, DOB: 22/03/1972

CONSULTANT IN GENERAL & HEPATO-PANCREATO-BILIARY SURGERY

(1<sup>st</sup> December 2008 to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2009) (1<sup>st</sup> May 2012 to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2013)

Mr Emmanouil Zacharakis MD PhD FRCS, was employed as a Consultant in General & Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary (HPB) Surgery at the Academic HPB Unit, Hammersmith Hospital, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust, from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2008 to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2009 and then from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2012 to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2013.

These appointments are subject to the Terms and Conditions of Service of Hospital Medical and Dental Staff of England and Wales and General Medical Council conditions of service and they are pensionable in accordance with the NHS Pension regulations 1995. The posts are full time and attract a salary that is in accordance with the current NHS scale. They also involve on-call commitment for General surgery and at a Consultant level in a 1:4 rota. The above-mentioned appointments were made in accordance with the National Health Service (Appointment of Consultants) Regulations 1996.

Mr Emmanouil Zacharakis has been a member of the Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary (HPB) Surgery Team of the Academic HPB Unit that comprises 4 Consultant Surgeons. As part of the West London Cancer Network, the HPB unit provides centralised HPB Cancer Surgery as a tertiary-referral Specialist Centre. The referring hospitals to the Unit are Charing Cross, St Marys, Ealing, Hillingdon, and North West London Hospitals.

Mr Zacharakis covered General Surgery with major interest in HPB Cancer and Laparoscopic Surgery. This entailed in-patient ward care, one outpatient clinic, and 2 theatre sessions per week. His duties also included participation in the Hammersmith and Ealing Hospitals multidisciplinary (MDT) weekly meetings as well as co-ordination with other colleagues in West London cancer network.

Mr Zacharakis has worked as an important member our team with excellent communication skills, flexibility and also demonstrated natural leadership qualities.



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He also took active part in the administrative responsibilities of the Academic HPB Unit and supervised the training of junior medical staff. Auditing the outcome of Unit's performance has been an important part of his clinical activities, as well.

Mr Zacharakis also participated as a Consultant in General Surgery in the Emergency General Surgery and HPB cover in a 1:4 rota.

In addition, these posts have allowed Mr Zacharakis the opportunity to establish significant academic work. This entailed research supervision and submitting a significant amount of articles to peer review journals. Mr Zacharakis has shown significant skills regarding the delivery of academic projects and vast experience in research methodology.

In terms of teaching, he taught medical students from Imperial College London where he has performed teaching ward rounds, clinics and lectures. He was clinical supervisor for junior surgeons in training directly attached to him and was responsible for their surgical training and direction for clinical matters and pastoral care.

Mr Zacharakis has always considered his teaching commitments as a high priority and the feedback from the medical students and trainee surgeons has always been excellent.

Mr Zacharakis has been involved and personally performed in a significant number and the full range of HPB operations, including complex hepatic and biliary procedures (e.g. left and right hepatectomies, right posterior sectionectomies, and segmental hepatectomies) for primary and secondary liver tumors. He has also been involved and personally performed in a significant number of major pancreatic resections such as whipple's and distal pancreatectomies, both open and laparoscopic. Working in the Unit which pioneered Radiofrequency (RF) assisted liver resection and RF ablation of liver tumors, Mr Zacharakis has also gained considerable experience in both these techniques.

He has a vast experience in laparoscopic procedures such as laparoscopic cholecystectomies, laparoscopic inguinal and incisional hernia repairs, and laparoscopic appendicectomies. He has also performed a significant number of open gastro-intestinal resections as a part of his emergency work.

Overall, Mr Zacharakis is an excellent surgeon and clinician, competent in both General/Laparoscopic and Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Surgery. He is a meticulous surgeon and has excellent results.

He is well able to run an HPB Firm with excellent communication, leadership and personal attributes.

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