College of Medicine and Health Sciences,
Sultan Qaboos University
Dean, Professor Omar Awadh Al-Rawas

This is to inform you that the Association for Medical Education in the Eastern Mediterranean Region (AMEEMR) in cooperation with the World Federation for Medical Education (WFME), acting upon the request of 15 December 2012 from the Minister of Higher Education, Sultanate of Oman, has completed the accreditation procedure of the programme in basic/undergraduate medical education at the College of Medicine and Health Sciences.

AMEEMR and WFME appointed the following accreditation team: Professor Zein E Karrar, Khartoum, Sudan; Professor Mohi E Magzoub, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia; Professor Scott Obenshain, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia; Professor Jørgen Nystrup, Copenhagen, Denmark & Professor Leif Christensen, Copenhagen, Denmark

Copies of the self study report “MD Programme Self Study 2012/2013” was sent for review to AMEEMR and WFME 24 April 2013 and the site visit took place 15 – 17 June 2013. The report by the accreditation team was finalised November 2013 after having been sent to COMHS SQU for correction of possible factual errors and misunderstanding.

We the undersigned Presidents of AMEEMR and WFME considered and decided upon the Accreditation Report prepared by the Accreditation Team dated November 15, 2013 (enclosed).

We concur in the findings of the accreditation team regarding fulfilment of the standards, the strengths of the programme etc. We endorse the conclusions and recommendations. Consequently, the AMEEMR and WFME decided unanimously to grant the programme in basic/undergraduate medical education at the College of Medicine and Health Sciences accreditation for a ten year term with no follow-up actions required. However, during this period the COMHS SQU must inform AMEEMR and WFME of any substantive changes in the programme in basic/undergraduate medical education.

Accreditation by AMEEMR in cooperation with WFME confers the understanding that the programme has been thoroughly assessed, found to be credible and to satisfactory fulfil WFME Standards for Basic Medical Education, hereby assuring the quality of the medical programme.
The accreditation decision will be made public on the WFME website within 30 days after the final decision. Furthermore, the AMEEMR and the WFME Secretariat will notify the Minister of Higher Education, Sultanate of Oman and the Secretariat of the World Directory of Medical Schools of the decisions taken by AMEEMR in cooperation with WFME.

This Decision Letter and the final Accreditation Report by the Accreditation Team are held confidential by WFME but may be disclosed by the College of Medicine and Health Sciences at its discretion.

If COMHS SQU makes a public disclosure of its accreditation status the College must disclose that status accurately and provide the name, address and telephone number of the AMEEMR and the WFME Secretariat.

Riyadh, November 2013

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President, Association for Medical Education in The Eastern Mediterranean Region

Copenhagen, November 2013

Stefan Lindgren
President, World Federation for Medical Education