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THE EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF NURSES (EFN) CALLS FOR IMMEDIATE DIALOGUE TO ADDRESS ALL ISSUES OF CONCERN TO POLISH NURSES

The European Federation of Nurses Associations (EFN), which has a membership of more than one million nurses across Europe, has called for immediate round table discussions for the purposes of positively addressing all of the issues which are a cause of concern to our Polish nursing colleagues.

EFN also wishes to express its concern at recent events, in Poland, which arose following protest action by Polish nurses and doctors who are pursuing improvements in their pay and conditions.

EFN notes that all members of the European Union agree that every member country needs to develop and/or maintain a high quality health service for its citizens. In this context EFN believes that an integral part of a high quality health service is the proper recognition, in terms of pay and conditions, of the nurses, doctors and all health professionals who work within that individual health system.

Against this background the EFN now calls for immediate dialogue, involving the Polish government and representatives of Polish nurses and doctors, for the purposes of resolving all of the issues which are the cause of such deep and sincere concern amongst our Polish nursing colleagues.

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