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Dear Members of the Executive Committee of the Aerospace Medical Association,

On behalf of the Canadian Society of Aerospace Medicine, we are pleased to report on last year's activities for our society.

The Canadian Society of Aerospace Medicine was founded in 2019 to provide a national collegial body for matters of aerospace medicine in Canada. Through education, outreach, and collaboration, the society seeks to cultivate and promote the discipline of aerospace medicine and related sciences. As an affiliate organization of the Aerospace Medical Association, our international network and collaboration facilitates the society to act as a central point of reference for Canadian aerospace medicine across industry, government, and academic sectors.

Our first general meeting was held in 2020 and attended by approximately 60 new members of the society. We discussed the goals and operation of the organization and established a quarterly timeframe for aerospace medicine presentations which will continue to be presented via Zoom to our members across North America and Internationally. Our inaugural speaker was Dr. Marvin Lange who spoke about aerospace psychiatry and the history of aerospace medicine in Canada.

COVID has affected our planned operations and in-person meetings which would have been coordinated with the annual scientific sessions of the Aerospace Medical Association. We have leveraged conferencing technology to continue to have formal and informal sessions of our members to enhance the networking of our society.

We look forward to the challenges and opportunities of 2021 and further developing our opportunities for the society.

Sincerely,

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On behalf of the board of directors
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