Dear Jeff,

I am happy to provide an update on the Association of Aviation Medical Examiners (UK). We currently have 180 members, of which the majority are AMEs. Despite the name of the Association, membership is open to any doctor with an interest in Aviation Medicine. We are a registered charity, and exist to support the specialty of aviation medicine by promoting research, training and education. We hold an annual scientific meeting, and in 2012 hosted the 3rd European Conference of Aerospace Medicine with ESAM, which was a great success. We are grateful for the support from AsMA with this meeting. The Association’s main activities at present are providing an appraisal service for our members, so that they may fulfil the requirements of the General Medical Council with regard to revalidation. We are also exploring support mechanisms for AMEs who have now acquired significant extra responsibilities for aeromedical decision making as a result of the UK CAA implementation of the new EASA rules in September this year.

Committee: Kevin Herbert (Chairman) Eleanor Ivory (Hon. Secretary) Andy Coulson (Hon. Treasurer) Huw Thomas (Chair Scientific Committee) Jenny Herbert (Membership Secretary) and Adrian Baker.

I will also provide a report for the European Society of Aerospace Medicine. ESAM continues to grow from strength to strength. It now embraces 46 member organisations, including virtually every society from the continent of Europe, from Spain in the West to the Russian Federation in the East. The membership of our constituent organisations numbers over 3000. ESAM is represented at significant committees at the European Aviation Safety Agency. It recently held the third European Conference of Aerospace Medicine in London, in conjunction with the Association of Aviation Medical Examiners. We are planning to hold an ESAM session during the AsMA conference in Chicago, as we have done for the past few years. The topic is likely to be the new EASA rules which should have been implemented by each member state by the time of the meeting. ESAM is a young organisation which continues to establish its place in the global aerospace family.

Executive Committee. Kevin Herbert (President) Anthony Wagstaff (Vice President) Vincent Feuillie (Vice President) Declan Maher (Secretary General) Carla Ledderhos (Treasurer) Patricia Jung (Director of Communication) Cristian Panait (Director without Portfolio).

Both organisations wish to remain an Affiliated Organisation of AsMA.

Best Regards and a Happy Christmas and New Year

Kevin
To: Undersea & Hyperbaric Medicine Society (Peter Bennett); Aerospace Medical Association of the Philippines (Joseph M. Acosta, Colonel); Aerospace Medical Student & Resident Organization (Natacha G. Chough, MD); Alliance of Air National Guard Flight Surgeons (Col Buck Dodson); Australasian Society of Aerospace Medicine (Greg Chaffey, MD); Aviation Medical Association, Republic of China (Hsin Chu); Aviation Medical Society of New Zealand (David Powell); Brazilian Aerospace Medical Society (J. C. Castro, MD); Canadian Aerospace Medicine and Aeromedical Transport Association (Penny Triggs); Civil Aviation Medical Association (Hugh O’Neill, MD); Commission Internationale Medico-Physiologique (Geff McCarthy, MD); Corporate & Sustaining Membership Affiliate (Dick Leland); Danish Society of Aviation and Naval Medical Association (Mads Klokker, MD); Dutch Society of Aviation Medicine (Eric Onnouw, MD); European Society of Aerospace Medicine (Kevin Herbert, MD); Flying Physicians Association (Alice Henderson); French Aerospace Medical Association (Patrick Rodriguez-Redington, MD); German Society of Aviation and Space Medicine (Claudia Stern, MD); Greek Aerospace Medical Association and Space Research (Chryssoula Kourtidou-Papadeli, MD); hasms@hasms.gr; Hungarian Association of Aeromedical Examiners (Gabor Hardicsay); Iberoamerican Association of Aerospace Medicine (Estrella.Forster@faa.gov); Israel Society of Aerospace Medicine (Jossy Faktor, MD); Italian Aerospace Medical Association (Paola Verde, MD); Japanese Society of Aerospace and Environmental Medicine (Hideo Gomi, MD); Korean Aerospace Medical Association (Young H Kwon, MD); Middle Eastern Society of Aerospace Medicine (Khalil M. Khalil, MD); Reserve Flight Surgeons Society (Fred Yost, Col); Romanian Society of Aeronautical Medicine (Marian Macri, MD); SAFE (Jean Benton); Slovenian Aerospace Medical Association (Tomaz Kozelj, MD); Society of NASA Flight Surgeons (Richard Scheuring, MD); South African Aerospace Medical Society (Philip Buys, MD); Swedish Aeronautical & Naval Medical Association (J. R. Soderberg, MD); membership@aame.org.uk
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Subject: AsMA Affiliated Organizations - Request for Information

Dear Affiliated Organizations of the Aerospace Medical Association,

Thank you for your continued affiliation with the Aerospace Medical Association. We value your affiliation and support of our common goals. As you may recall when your organization applied for Affiliated status with AsMA, that we would like to communicate at least once each year with your organization and get a short report about your organization and how AsMA may assist you in your efforts.

The Aerospace Medical Association Bylaws (Article VIII, Section 1) states:

D. Affiliated Organizations:
(1) Each Affiliated Organization shall furnish the Executive Director with a current demographic description of its membership with its application for Affiliated status.
(2) Each Affiliated Organization shall communicate with the Association at least once per year to indicate its desire to remain an Affiliated Organization of the Association.

Please note the highlighted sentence above. Could you please take a few moments to provide us a short report on your organization’s current membership and activities? Could you also mention in your short report your desire to remain an Affiliated Organization of the Aerospace Medical Association?

Please send me your report via e-mail during the month of January 2013.

Thank you very much for your support of aerospace medicine and your affiliation with our
Happy Holidays to all of you!

Jeff

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