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Ms Maneo M. Ntene Principal Secretary Ministry of Health Maseru, Lesotho P.O. Box 514 Maseru, Lesotho

Dear Ms Ntene,

Re: Invitation to Participate in an Event-Based Surveillance (ESB) Learning Mission in Nairobi, Kenya, from 14<sup>th</sup> November to 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2022

The East, Central and Southern Africa Health Community (ECSA-HC) presents its compliments to the Kingdom of Lesotho and wish to notify you of the EBS Learning mission in Kenya to be held from 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022

ECSA-HC is implementing the Southern Africa TB and Health System Support (SATBHSS) Project and one of its core objectives is to support countries to roll-out EBS and adopt the use of technology in areas where its applicable. Technology has proven to have a tremendous amount of power in terms of propelling the health sector forward in terms of sustainability, effectiveness, and efficiency. The technical ability to design and implement the required health information systems is a component of the support ECSA-HC provides to countries in relation to the implementation of EBS under the SPP project.

ECSA-HC plans to learn from Kenya, which has a well-established EBS national program as well as functional ICT capacity in the same field with mobile application to facilitate data capture from mobile phones by community health workers. A learning mission to Kenya has been planned by ECSA-HC. The mission's goal is to appreciate several key factors for future implementation under the project to facilitate paperless capture and transmission signals to the existing health information systems by community health workers and formal health workers involved in EBS at various levels. The learning mission will last three days, and we would appreciate it if we could receive a nominee who is a **focal national EBS technical person** to attend the learning mission by November 7th, 2022, to help us plan. The participants' travel expenses will be covered by ECSA-HC.

Additional information regarding this activity may be obtained from the office of the Director General, email <a href="mailto:regsec@ecsahc.org">regsec@ecsahc.org</a> and SATBHSS & ECSASPP Project's Coordinator, Dr Martin Matu, email: <a href="mailto:mmatu@ecsahc.org">mmatu@ecsahc.org</a> or cellphone +254 721 374 830

Please accept, the assurances of our highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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