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Dear Prime Minister

FEMS attentively had monitored the developments in the health sector in Slovakia for a long time. We have repeatedly expressed our support to LOZ and Slovak doctors in their efforts to improve the health care system and working conditions of health care workers in Slovakia.

The situation in Slovakia and the attacks against our colleagues late, last year, were unprecedented in the European Union. We believed that such a situation would not be repeated.

Surprisingly, we observed an unacceptable attack on a representative of LOZ, Dr.Peter Blaško- Vice-President of LOZ, President of LOZ in the Faculty Hospital Žilina and delegate of LOZ to FEMS.

Laws in the European Union guarantee the freedom of expression and association, including the activities of trade unions and, in fact, without penalties by the employer or other bodies.

Any procedures, that is contrary with this, conflict with the principles of European democracy.

We strongly demand responsible representatives of the Government and the Ministry of Health to determine responsibility against those who violate these principles.

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