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Comité **P**ermanent des Médecins Européens Standing Committee of European Doctors

<u>Subject</u>

Position statement/Resolution by the CP on the proposed amendments to the European Working Time Directive Proposed by the United Kingdom Delegation

<u>Sujet</u>

Position/résolution du CP sur les amendement proposés sur la directive européenne sur le temps de travail Proposé par la délégation du Royaume-Uni

Concerning / Concerne

Board Conseil

Purpose / Objet

For approval Pour approbation

Key word / Mot clé

Working time Temps de travail

18/09/99

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Proposed by the United Kingdom delegation

The CP restates its concern regarding excessive working hours for doctors in training and in particular the effect this has on health and safety for both those doctors and their patients.

We continue to support the inclusion of this group within the provisions of the European Directive on Working Time within the shortest possible timescale.

We consider the Council of Ministers Common Position proposal that implementation be staged over a 13 year period amounts to an inappropriate and unnecessary delay.

We therefore urge the European Parliament to continue its strong stand on this important health and safety issue during its second reading of the directive.