

## **Pedro Manonelles**

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Re Spain Sports Medicine Specialty elimination

20.2.2011,

Dear Dr Manonelles,

It is with great regret that I have heard of your Ministry of Health's decision to eliminate the Sports Medicine specialty. We at the European Federation of Sports Medicine Associations are very supportive in opposing that decision.

It is ironic that a decision of this type should be made by the Spanish Ministry of Health, when within 18 months of the European Union Medical Specialties, Multiple Joint Commission is about to recognize Sports Medicine throughout Europe. May I share with you the reasons we think Sports medicine is so important as a specialty (see attached from the desk of the president of EFSMA).

There is already an agreement for each country to have a National Anti-doping Organisation. The best people to run these organizations are doctors trained in Sports Medicine. Are we to see the closing down of the Spanish anti-doping organization?

You may use this information as you see fit.

With warm regards,



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President European Federation Sports Medicine Associations

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**Subject:** Eliminating the Sports Medicine specialty

Prof. Joseph Cummiskey  
President  
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Dear Joseph:

I am writing to you on behalf of Ministry of Health's decision of eliminating the Sports Medicine specialty.

We, specialists in Sports Medicine, are firmly opposed to this decision.

We would like to receive a letter in support of defense of the specialty by your institution.

Yours faithfully.

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