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Excelentísima Sra. Doña Dolores Montserrat Monserrat
Ministra de Sanidad, Servicios Sociales e Igualdad
Paseo del Prado, 18
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Dear Excelentísima Sra. Doña Dolores Montserrat Monserrat,

AAEM is one of the largest EM specialty organizations in the world with over 8,000 members from the USA and around the world. AAEM has over 20 years of experience cooperating with international EM societies around the world, and actively supports and participates in local, national and international emergency medicine development projects, conferences and initiatives.

Our Mission Statement includes an important clause reflecting our commitment to international emergency medicine. It states "the Academy supports the establishment and recognition of emergency medicine internationally as an independent specialty and is committed to its role in the advancement of emergency medicine worldwide." Emergency physicians around the world face many of the same problems we continue to face in the United States. I believe our rapidly growing relationships with emergency physicians in other countries will accelerate the development of emergency medicine and vastly strengthen our specialty. We have much to learn from our international colleagues

Thus AAEM would like to offer its enthusiastic and unconditional support of the recognition of emergency medicine as a full medical specialty in Spain.

Please let us know how AAEM can assist you with this endeavor.

Sincerely,

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