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“It gives me a great pleasure to welcome you all to the “5<sup>th</sup> Regional Conference on Medical Journals in the Eastern Mediterranean Region” and would like to congratulate members of Pakistan Association of Medical Editors (PAME) to make it a reality to hold the 5<sup>th</sup> Regional conference on medical journals in Pakistan. I regret that I was not able to attend the conference due to my recent health problems and I hope to recover from it soon.

This is our 5<sup>th</sup> conference since the inception of Eastern Mediterranean Association of Medical Editors (EMAME) in 2003 and I am proud to be a founder member in establishing this association and suggesting the name EMAME which is now an excellent well known international organization. Over the years we have seen a lot of progress we have expanded the network of editors and researchers in the region. We have brought together regional institutions and journals to share knowledge. Since the last conference 2008 (held in Bahrain) till date we have increased EMAME membership by over 100 new applicants. This is an excellent pool of Editors which will help us to move a step forward to improve the quality and standard of biomedical journals from the region, exchange the ideas, sharing the knowledge and experience. I request all EMAME members to actively participate in all EMAME activities.

I congratulate Dr. Maqbool Jafary along with his organizing team for his excellent organization to hold this conference. I also congratulate him for being elected as President of EMAME and wish him all the success assuring him of my contribution and support always. I wish you all a successful conference.”