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**PRESS RELEASE**

**HYGEIA S.A.: The largest Private Health Care Group of Companies has been established**

The Board of Directors of the Athens Diagnostic and Treatment Centre HYGEIA S.A. and the Board of Directors of the General Maternity Gynaecology and Paediatric Clinic MITERA S.A., following deliberations and within the framework of the close collaboration that the two companies have already developed, have decided to unite their strengths with an aim of establishing the largest Private Health Care Group of Companies.

As the Board of Directors of HYGEIA S.A. decided today, this merger will be effected with an increase of the company's share capital and the exchange of the shares that shall arise therefrom with the shares of MITERA S.A. at a ratio of 2.2 shares of HYGEIA S.A. to 1 share of MITERA S.A. The shareholders of MITERA S.A. who do not wish to contribute their shares may transfer them to HYGEIA S.A. The Board of Directors of MITERA S.A. decided today to propose to the company's shareholders, during an Extraordinary General Meeting of the shareholders that shall convene in May, to accept this proposal.

MITERA S.A. shall maintain its legal and administrative independence. The physicians – shareholders of MITERA S.A. shall take part in the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of HYGEIA S.A., while the Chairman of MITERA S.A. shall also chair the Board of Directors of HYGEIA S.A.

The new Scheme that shall arise shall constitute the largest Private Health Care Group of Companies in Greece. HYGEIA S.A. is the largest private hospital in Greece with has 370 beds. It receives approximately 120,000 inpatients and outpatients and conducts approximately 870,000 examinations every year. It has 16 operating rooms, where 11,000 surgeries are carried out on an annual basis. MITERA S.A., together with its subsidiary company LITO S.A., has 535 beds. It receives 33,000 inpatients and 230,000 outpatients, and carries out approximately 16,500 births and approximately 1,000,000 examinations every year.