

**PRESS RELEASE**

**HYGEIA – COVERAGE OF SHARE CAPITAL INCREASE**

The share capital increase of the Diagnostic and Therapeutic Centre of Athens (HYGEIA) that was completed on 18 December 2006 was fully covered and an amount of 59,920,000 Euros was raised, which constitutes the highest ever capital increase that has been completed to this day by any company of the sector.

More than 300 associate physicians of HYGEIA and of its affiliate companies, as well as executives thereof, expressed an interest in the increase.

It should be noted that in order to meet the large demand of physicians, MARFIN CAPITAL S.A., a shareholder of HYGEIA, as it had declared prior to the increase, did not exercise all of its rights.

The requirements of a large number of businessmen, investors and non-associate physicians who had expressed an interest in purchasing unsubscribed shares was not met whereas these were intended mainly for the Associate Physicians and Executives of HYGEIA and of its affiliate companies according to the decision of the Company's General Meeting.

*The Board of Directors of HYGEIA would like to express its content and gratitude for the interest that shareholders and physicians showed in the share capital increase and is apologetic that it was unable to meet all of their requirements.*