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PRESS RELEASE

<u>«HYGEIA S.A.»: Increases its stake in "Achillion" Hospital in</u> <u>Cuprys.</u>

The company «DIAGNOSTIC & THERAPEUTIC CENTER OF ATHENS HYGEIA S.A.» announces the increase of its stake by 9.06% to 65.75% in the share capital of the company «Chryssafiliotissa Public Ltd» which owns the private hospital «ACHILLION» in Limassol Cyprus, for a consideration of EUR 1.92 m.

"ACHILLION" Hospital is a modern, private hospital built in 2004, with a building of 7,000 square meters, consisting of 86 inpatient beds, 8 operating theatres, 5 delivery rooms, an Intensive Care Unit, a Step-Down Unit, and significant diagnostic capability to include clinical laboratories, CT-Scan, MRI, etc. The hospital offers a wide range of medical specialties, including maternity and gynecology, and over 120 cooperating physicians.

«HYGEIA Group» attains a leading position in the sector of healthcare services in Cyprus, as it controls «ACHILLION» in Limassol and «EVANGELISMOS» in Paphos. The abovementioned acquisitions are part of «HYGEIA S.A» strategy to create the largest integrated healthcare services group in the region of the Mediterranean basin and Southeastern Europe.

«HYGEIA Group» already holds a leading position in the healthcare sector in the region of South-Eastern Europe since it operates 5 hospitals in Greece and Cyprus with 1,078 licensed beds, while with the conclusion of the acquisition of SAFAK Group in Turkey will have 9 hospitals in the South-Eastern Europe region with total capacity of 1,548 beds.

HYGEIA Group is the investment arm in the healthcare services sector of MARFIN INVESTMENT GROUP (MIG), which is the major shareholder of HYGEIA S.A.