

The Second Mission: 20-27 February, 2009

Heevie Organization has invited the Italian medical delegation SIA and MED CHILD on 20th of February 2009, a meeting had been arranged during their visit with the Minister of Health Dr. Abdulrahman Younis, both sides have discussed the medical situation in the region; the Italian medical delegation had clarified their intentions for next plans and projects in Kurdistan.



**Minister of Health Dr.Abdulrahman Younis,SIA & Medchiled Italian NGOs,Duhok Governor Mr.Tamar Ramadan,
Director of General Health Dr.Abdulla Saeed**

The same delegation has visited Duhok Governor Mr. Tamar Ramadan, and explained the purpose behind their visits to Kurdistan, especially to Duhok, and has shown their interest in Duhok's Governorate. The Governor highly appreciated the great efforts that all parts pay to help the health capacity in Duhok and patient children.

Finally, a meeting has been hold between Dohuk's Health General Director, Dr. Abdulla Sa'eed, and Italian delegation. Dr. Abdulla Saeed assured on the importance of these visits for their big role in increasing and enhancing the knowledge and experience of the local staff.

The Italian side expressed their readiness to offer a full support to Kurdistan, and both sides highly evaluated the good work performed by Heevie which is the organization that made this successful cooperation.

The main important thing that has been discussed during the meeting between the Italian experts Hospital Engineers Gabriele Zingaretti , Andrea Ragazzini ,Dr. Ilja Gardi and Dohuk's Health General Director Dr.Abdullah Saeed was the Health Care City Project which was under supervision of DOH of Duhok .Also an agreement has been signed between Med Child and DOH of Duhok to send Mobile hospital to rural areas for Medical Mobile Team project for 2 years and to set up a network that links this Medical Team on one side with Italian hospitals on the other side.



Director of General Health Dr.Abdulla Saeed, SIA and Medchiled Italian Organizations



For the first time a German medical team from University Medical Center in Hamburg Hospital participated in the project .In this mission (28) intervention in Azadi Hospital in Duhok have been conducted, (95) Congenital Heart Diseases patients have been examined, in addition (23) of the local medical staff received training on the job. The cases have been worked on are already chosen by the Italian physicians and by a group of local doctors who have been trained in Italy. The cases are previously chosen from statistics collected by Heevie from all Northern Governorates. Heevie built a data base that includes the necessary and required information of patient children in Northern Governorates.

The Italian and German Catheterization Team consisted of the following specialists

No.	Name	Gender	Nationality	Profession & Institution
1	Ilia Gardi	M	Italian	Physician: Health Director of Med child.
2	Iole Pinto	F	Italian	President of Solidarity Initiatives Association
3	Sardar Ali	M	Italian	Secretary of the Kurdish-Italian Cultural Association
4	Weil Joachim	M	German	Physician: Cardiovascular Surgery University Medical Center Hamburg
5	Cristina Giugni	F	Italian	Intensive Care Unit Meyer Pediatric Hospital Florence
6	Enrico Musso	M	Italian	Med child – Project Manager
7	Gabriele Zingaretti	M	Italian	Hospital Engineer
8	Andrea Ragazzini	M	Italian	Hospital Engineer
9	Lena Schaefer	F	German	Doctor



German Cardiac Team, Dr.Weil Joachim

Many of local press streams (Kurdsat, Kurdistan TV, Duhok, Gali Duhok and Nawa Radio made short interviewed with the team in order to clarify the goals of the visit and in order to show the hard humanitarian work exerted by the Italian side.

The DAI representatives Mr.Hawre visited the place on 25th February, 2009. In his short visit he made an interview with Prof. Weil Joachim and asked him about the protocols of the mission.



Selected pictures for the team in Azadi General Hospital-Duhok



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