Dear Students and Personnel of Hacettepe University,

A delegation of the Prof. Dr. Ömer Uğur, Hacettepe University Vice Rector; Prof. Dr. İsmet Şahin, academic personnel at the Department of Health Administration, Faculty of Economics and Administrative Science, and Director of the Directorate of Circulating Capital; Prof. Dr. Özgür Külcü, academic personnel at the Department of Information Management, Faculty of Letters and Coordinator Responsible from the Electronic Document Management System; Assoc. Prof. Dr. Burçak Bilginer, academic personnel at the Faculty of Medicine and Deputy Physician-in-Chief at the Adult Hospital; Assist. Prof. Dr. Aslan Kaplan, academic personnel at the Department of Medical Documentation and Secretariship, Vocational School of Health Services; Olcay Gündemir, Director at the Directorate of Construction and Technical Works; and Hadi Şensoy, Manager of the Hacettepe Hospitals Department of Archive and Statistic Services, visited the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) on October 26-28, 2015.

On the first day of the visit, the delegation was informed of the Hospital Information System at UAB Hospitals. On the second day of the visit, the delegation was informed of the technical hardware and processes used in the digitalization of patient files, the organization of a digital archive from paper folders, and the development of a hospital software, of quality in health services, and of medical informatics. Moreover, the delegation visited the company providing services regarding the digitalization of the archive, and met the authorized persons at the construction and technical works unit. On the third day of the visit, the delegation visited the School of Health Sciences and evaluated the present cooperation activities between the two universities and possible common fields of area and cooperation opportunities in the future.

Regards.

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