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Dear (10)(2e),

Thank you very much for the swift and clear, if not positive, response. We understand that the Turkish government is prioritizing the supply of personal protective equipment to Turkish hospitals at this time.

It is helpful for us which suppliers need not be contacted, considering such trade restrictions, so that we can prioritise our efforts.

Kind regards and stay safe,

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Onderwerp: FW: Priority request: inquiry for producers of (surgical) gowns in your country

Dear (10)(2e) and (10)(2e),

I am replying on behalf of the Economic Network in Turkey (both Ankara and Istanbul). Our colleague in Istanbul was able to come up with a very quick – but not a positive – answer below. All the protective gear and garments in Turkey are subject to an export license. At the moment, such a license is impossible to obtain for the Turkish exporter (see also the last sentence).

Unfortunately, we are not able to be of assistance.

Best regards,

(10)(2e)

Ankara, Turkey

Please note that exports of

27- "protective masks (gas, dust and radioactive dust filter masks)" / supplied within the scope of Personal Protective Equipment Regulation

28- "overalls (protective clothing)" / supplied within the scope of Personal Protective Equipment Regulation

29- "liquid-proof aprons (protective aprons used against chemicals)" / supplied within the scope of Personal Protective Equipment Regulation

30- "goggles (protective glasses)" / supplied within the scope of Personal Protective Equipment Regulation

31- "medical and surgical masks" / supplied within the scope of Medical Device Regulation

32- "medical sterile / non-sterile gloves" / supplied within the scope of Medical Device Regulation

are restricted by the attached communique on Amending the Regulation on Export Prohibited and Permission Obligatory Goods (Export: 96/31).

While in theory this regulation requires an export permission to be obtained from Turkish Institute of Pharmaceuticals and Medical Equipment (<https://www.titck.gov.tr/>), a part of Turkish Ministry of Health; local medical institutions in Turkey are also facing severe shortages of protective gear and other medical supplies and therefore, no company can obtain an export permission under current circumstances.

Best regards

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Subject: Priority request: inquiry for producers of (surgical) gowns in your country

Importance: High

Dear (Head of) Economic Department of the Dutch Embassy,

--- URGENT ---

In the context of the rapidly growing group of coronavirus patients in the Netherlands, and the pressure this puts on our care system, I would like to request your support – with utmost priority – for the following request.

Our colleagues at the Ministries of Health Care and Economic Affairs are looking for alternative **supplies of (medical and surgical) gowns** that can be used by medical staff treating patients in Dutch hospitals and care facilities. They have requested that we assist them by identifying producers of medical-grade gowns that could be used to alleviate the pressure on hospital supplies.

Could I ask you to investigate whether there are **producers and/or production facilities of these gowns located in your country**? Once identified, the colleagues at EZK will contact these producers to assess whether they can produce additional gowns to support Dutch medical staff.

Please note, several millions of these gowns are used in the Netherlands weekly, therefore we are looking for experienced producers that have quality certifications according to ISO and CE standards and preferably have experience producing for the EU market.

The table and further information below contain the specifications of the gowns Dutch hospitals normally use. We are therefore looking for these products, or equivalent ones.

Requested product	Currently used product or comparable	Requirements
Protective gowns	3027102	SMS or comparable, long sleeve, tricot cuff, covering the back, water repellant (does not need to be waterproof)
Aprons	84760 or 84773	PE, about 80 x 125 cm. Halter aprons
Surgical gowns	Surgical gown HP	L, LL, XXL, XXLL. Note: sizes are not standardised worldwide.

All gowns are required to have a CE-marking according to the European Guideline for personal protective equipment (89/686/EEC (2)) (<https://osha.europa.eu/nl/legislation/directives/34>) and according to the Directive on Medical Devices (93/42/EEG (10)) (<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG:1993L0042:20071011:en:PDF>).

If you identify producers and production locations in your country, we request that you identify a contact at management level and send the available information to our colleagues at EZK:

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Kindly include in CC our colleagues at BZ/DIO:
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Of course, you can also contact them with questions for clarification about this request.

Many thanks on behalf of EZK and myself for your efforts in helping to provide a sufficient supply to Dutch hospitals!

Kind regards,

(10)(2e) (10)(2e)
Director DIO, BZ

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