

PRESS RELEASE

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A group of foreign medical graduates met with the Executive Member and Member Examination of the National Medical Authority. The FMGs in question consist of those who had either already appeared in the second part of the National License Exam to test skills (NLE 2) or are due to appear in the upcoming scheduled NLE 2 exam. A proposal was submitted by the FMGs to the Authority requesting that either NLE 2 be withdrawn as a pre-condition to grant of a license to the foreign graduates or the passing marks be lowered to 50%. The National Licensing Exam has been structured by the National Academic Board who are entrusted with the responsibility to frame the structure including the content and methodology of the exam. Currently, the passing marks of the NLE 1 and 2 exams is 70% as determined by the National Academic Board.

The Authority has forwarded the proposal of the FMG's to the National Academic Board for consideration being the relevant authority in respect of structuring exams. The Board consists of senior medical practitioners, faculty and vice-chancellors from both public and private medical institutions representing every Province and the Federation. The proposal has been received by the Board who will be taking it into consideration and issuing their decision at the earliest. Meanwhile, the Authority has confirmed the result so the currently scheduled NLE 2 exams shall be announced after the final decision of the Board is received and applied.