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Dear President Bhooplapur,

In response to your inquiry, I am writing to confirm that, in June 2005, the Foundation for the Advancement of International Education and Research (FAIMER[®]) received confirmation from Dr. C.A.S.D. Wever, Minister for Public Health and Environment, Aruba, that Xavier University School of Medicine, Aruba, was recognized by the government of Aruba for award of the Doctor of Medicine degree. Based on this information, Xavier University School of Medicine was listed in the International Medical Education Directory (IMED).

The graduation years for Xavier University School of Medicine, Aruba in IMED began in 2004. These graduation years represented the calendar years during which the medical school had been recognized by the government agency in the country where the school is located.

Based on the IMED listing, ECFMG accepted applications for the USMLE from students currently enrolled in Xavier University School of Medicine and graduates who received their medical degrees in 2004 or later, subject to meeting all eligibility requirements.

In 2014, the International Medical Education Directory (IMED) and the Avicenna Directory, managed by the World Federation for Medical Education (WFME), merged to form the World Directory of Medical Schools. ECFMG now uses the World Directory of Medical Schools in determining the eligibility of its applicants. To be eligible for the United States Medical Licensing Examination[®] (USMLE[®]) and for ECFMG Certification, an applicant's medical school must be listed in the World Directory and the listing must include the ECFMG Sponsor Note.

Xavier University School of Medicine, Aruba, is listed in the World Directory of Medical Schools, and the listing includes the ECFMG Sponsor Note with approved graduation years from 2004.

I hope this is helpful. If you have any questions, please let me know.



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