## Open Letter to Board of Directors of ACRO and AAPM from Krishnan Suthanthiran Founder/ President TeamBest Global Companies



WASHINGTON, DC, USA, July 13, 2023 -- Many will soon travel to Houston, Texas, USA, for the AAPM 2023 Annual Meeting, July 23-27, 2023 where the outdoor temperature is predicted to reach as high as 120 F. In 1988, Dr. Krishnan Suthanthiran attended the World Medical Physics Congress held the second week of August in San Antonio, Texas, USA. It was a brutal Summer and hot as Hell in San Antonio with temperatures around 120 F.

He also attended the Night Out event in August 1985 in San Antonio, Texas. The event took place in a small outdoor area downtown, with lots of live-fire cookouts of Mexican Food. Unfortunately, the combination of cooking heat and crowded attendees created a horrible scenario. The heat was unbearable, so he had to leave and return to his room.

Suthanthiran has been opposed to the Night Out event and voiced his concerns several times to AAPM Board of Directors. During his career of 51 years in Oncology/Medicine/Energy/Entertainment/ Real Estate, etc. he has attended/exhibited in 1500 plus Trade Shows. Suthanthiran suggests that AAPM host the Ice Breaker Reception at the AAPM Exhibit Hall on Sunday, the Opening Day from 5:30–7:30 PM. This would be more practical than having a Night Out that involves a lot of time and money, shuttling attendees to a location where they are given limited appetizers and drinks, and then bringing them back to their hotels after 10 PM when most restaurants are closed, with everyone tired, sleepy and hungry.

Also, since AAPM is generally in July/August, they should choose a venue that will be cooler in the Summer, and not so hot. In the past, the Annual Meetings have been held in various locations such as Calgary in Alberta, Vancouver in BC, Montreal in Quebec of Canada, Anaheim in California, Minneapolis in Minnesota, New Orleans in Louisiana, Portland in Oregon, Seattle in Washington, and many more. If the AAPM Board plans to schedule the Annual Meetings in late July or August, it would be wise to choose milder climate areas.

Another option would be to combine AAPM with the ACRO (the American College of Radiation Oncology) Annual Meeting in early Spring—or late Spring/May. The American College of Medical Physics used to organize in May each year when they were independent.

Organizing in early/late Spring each year gives the AAPM many choices of locations. Once again, Suthanthiran requests that the Board of Directors of AAPM reconsider his suggestion to skip the Night Out event and restart the Ice Breaker Receptions on Sunday evening, the Opening Day. He also suggests rethinking the timing and location options for the Annual Meetings.

Many Associations do hold Opening Day Receptions at the Exhibits Area as an opportunity for attendees to meet one another at the start of the Annual Meetings. This event is especially helpful for Technical Exhibitors who contribute significantly to the cost of the Meetings.

For more information about Krishnan Suthanthiran's invitation to AAPM 2023 Annual Meeting Attendees, please visit:

http://www.teambest.com/press/EINPresswire-619547124-krishnan-suthanthiran-founder-pre-sident-of-teambest-global-companies-invitation-to-aapm-2023-annual-meeting-attendees.pdf

For more information about Krishnan Suthanthiran, please visit his bio page at <u>http://www.teambest.</u> <u>com/about\_bio.html</u>.

For more information about the BCF, please visit <u>http://www.bestcure.md</u>.

For more information about Krishnan Suthanthiran's presentation on Rethinking Medicine, please visit

http://www.teambest.com/10\_04\_2022\_Rethinking\_Medicine\_Invite\_TX-FINAL.pdf

For more information about Best Cyclotron Systems' plans to establish 100s of Cyclotrons/PET CT & Full Diagnostic Centers in India beginning 2023, please read: <u>http://www.teambest.com/press/</u> <u>EINPresswire-605153762-best-cyclotron-systems-plan-to-establish-100s-of-cyclotrons-pet-ct-full-diagnostic-centers-in-india-beginning-2023.pdf</u>

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