

Dear distinguished Member,

I modestly submit my candidacy for the position of member of the Board of MSF OCB.

After a brief introduction, I will discuss my proposal to contribute to building a stronger OCB, and then some of the critical issues of the moment.

Who am I? My CV, attached, illustrates what a hardworking humanitarian I am. Passionate about efficiency in the use of available resources, including the most precious of them all: human capital, to meet the immense challenges we face. I joined MSF in 2001 and have been in the humanitarian business ever since, serving the less privileged among us. Recently I have moved from the Sahel region to the Middle East and North Africa. Exposure to these different contexts offers new perspectives helping me to see and understand our different challenges, as new entities in the humanitarian community. Above all, it provides different prisms through which to approach our issues. As a firm believer in the richness of diversity, I am pushing to enable our association to seize this opportunity.

Why am I applying today? As a member of the outgoing Board of Directors, acting as one of the vice-presidents, I appreciate the successes we have achieved, thank you for your committed support. But I remain lucid about a critical work in progress. The transformation of our association into an effectively international movement, which will be in the image of its members and the people we assist. We still have other work to do, such as making our environment safe from unethical behaviour and more in line with our values or more accountable to the communities we work with. Or the impact of climate change which exacerbates humanitarian crises. I wish to contribute my humanitarian expertise and understanding of our social mission to our evolution. By embracing today's challenges and changes we will be a contemporary player.

Elected, this will be an opportunity to help stabilise a key moment in the renewal of our associative and executive leadership shortly. One point that is particularly close to my heart is that we need to put in place the necessary safeguards to ensure that our organisation is caring, especially for the most vulnerable of those we serve. I hold fast to the desire to establish a safe and inclusive institution for all.

Before concluding, I would like to invite everyone to contribute to OCB through their vote. We have a duty to remain engaged. Let us work to create the necessary local and regional synergies for the movement.

Remaining available on the different communication channels for any further solicitations; hoping for a renewal of your confidence for this mandate, I thank you for taking the time to read me.

Yours sincerely

Jean-Paul JEMMY