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To Whom it May Concern,

This letter serves as a recommendation from the South African Science Journalists Association, SASJA, of our President, Mandi Smallhorne for the vacant Executive Board position at the World Federation of Science Journalists. She is also President of the African Federation of Science Journalists.

Ms. Smallhorne is a freelance journalist in South Africa where for the past 23 years she has been writing primarily about health, climate change, food security and social issues.

As President of SASJA she has been instrumental in managing several science communication projects in South Africa and has cooperated closely with members of the African Federation. She is also a key figure in planning for a SASJA bid to host the WFSJ conference in South Africa in the medium term future.

As a Board member of SASJA I can confirm that Ms Smallhorne has the full support of the entire Board as she was recently elected unanimously for a second term of office. She has excellent contacts with the national Department of Science and Technology as well as within the private sector.

She has many years of experience in training and doing presentations on science, health and environmental issues.

She has a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Psychology from the University of Cape Town.

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