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RE: SPHEIR funding proposal from One Health Commission/Commonwealth Secretariat, One Health Education: Advancing the SDGs

TO: One Health Commission (OHC) and the Commonwealth Secretariat

Be advised that the One Health Initiative Autonomous pro bono team (OHI)—an Honorary OHC Advisory group, strongly endorses and supports the OHC/Commonwealth Secretariats’ One Health educational funding proposal.

Note that the OHI team serves as a strong supporting advocate for this OHC-Commonwealth funding application project and can be referred to as the The One Health Initiative Autonomous pro bono Team. It is a gratuitous, supportive, consulting, unincorporated, independent group having no financial association or fiduciary connection(s) with or to the One Health Commission and/or Commonwealth of Nations Secretariat regarding this ‘Strategic Partnerships for [One Health] Higher Education Innovation and Reform’ project or any other(s).

The OHI intends to assist with promotional measure(s) for helping to advance this project when/if appropriate by posting NEWS and Publications items on the One Health Initiative website. This represents a significant supportive public affairs methodology.

The One Health Initiative Autonomous pro bono team was originally established 2006-2007 (see history of the OHI). The One Health Initiative website, originated October 1, 2008 by the One Health Initiative team, has been called "the international clearing house for significant One Health information" and recently by some the "New York Times of One Health." Its world-wide circulation has been strengthened by its up-to-date One Health News, Publications and Upcoming Events postings relative to animal, human and environmental health. It is currently conservatively estimated to be accessed each month by roughly 30,000 individual (or more) visitors from over 160 countries.” The OHI website now is known to have had at least 119 reciprocal links with entities like CEEZAD and others, from within the U.S. and internationally. As further evidence of national and international One Health informational website status: among the recognized high profile search engines, the top ones, i.e. Google, Bing, Yahoo and others, list the One Health Initiative first or among the first when either “One Health Initiative” or “One Health” are typed in.

Sincerely,

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