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Dr. Roger Mahr  
CEO  
One Health Commission

Dear Dr. Mahr:

On behalf of the WAVLD Board of Directors, it gives me great pleasure to write a letter of support for the activities, goals and objectives of the One Health Commission (OHC).

The teachings and precepts of One Health are an embodiment of the WAVLD mission statement which is as follows: To improve animal and human health by facilitating the availability of quality laboratory testing provided through veterinary diagnostic laboratories around the world. The WAVLD entered into an official MOU with the OIE in 2006 to work together toward the improvement of animal and human health globally utilizing the principles of One Health. Our Board believes that the mission of the WAVLD and of the OHC are synergistic in the truest sense.

That said, we want to work closely with you and the OHC to help achieve the stated mission and full scope of objectives. Further, we salute you for your leadership in helping to move the One Health movement forward toward improving the quality of life for all living things and the overall preservation of the environment.

Many thanks to you for reaching out to the WAVLD. We look forward to working with you in the future and hope to see you at our next meeting in Berlin!

Sincerely,

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