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Dear Margareta,

Thank you for your letter dated 9 October 2014 requesting UN-Habitat to propose nominees for the 2015 United Nations Sasakawa Award for Disaster Risk Reduction. It is my pleasure to nominate 'Displacement Solutions'; a not-for-profit organization dedicated to resolving the plight of thousands of families permanently displaced by events related to natural hazards, including those associated with changing climatic conditions.

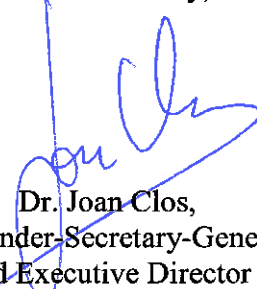
These efforts are worth the recognition the Sasakawa Award provides, especially their innovation, thought-leadership, and dedication to a cause few others are actively pursuing.

Enclosed, please find as requested nomination documentation including:

1. Nomination form and questionnaire;
2. Mandatory essay by nominee, 'Displacement Solutions';
3. Online bibliography of pertinent publications.

I trust you and the jury will agree this is a notable organization pursuing a worthy cause on behalf of the survivors of these events, their communities and governments, and others like the UN and international community that are working to reduce risk and increase resilience around the world.

Yours sincerely,



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