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Re: Candidacy of Dr László Gábor Lovászy to the CRPD Committee in September 2012

The World Federation of the Deaf is pleased to learn that Dr László Gábor Lovászy, a hard of hearing candidate from Hungary, is standing for election to the United Nations Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) in September 2012.

WFD is pleased to note that Dr. Lovászy has a wide experience and knowledge in disability and human rights law and a proven record of consulting with the signing deaf community on all matters related to sign language and deaf people. The WFD looks forward to working with Dr. Lovászy and other new members of the Committee to ensure the full implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities articles dealing with sign language and deaf culture.

World Federation of the Deaf is an international non-governmental organisation representing and promoting approximately 70 million Deaf people's human rights worldwide. The WFD is a federation of 133 nations; its mission is to promote the human rights of deaf people and full, quality and equal access to all spheres of life, including self-determination, sign language, education, employment and community life. WFD has a consultative status in the United Nations and is a member of International Disability Alliance (IDA).

Warm regards,

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World Federation of the Deaf

