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To whom it may concern

Support for the candidacy of Jerome Champagne for FIFA President

Dear Sirs,

As an associate of the West Indies Federations stationed in French Guyana, I want to express my support for the candidacy of Jerome Champagne.

As a former professional player and a 1998 World Cup champion with France, I have a keen interest and involvement in the ongoing development of Football here. I have been serving Youth football and education development programmes for the past 15 years, and am thus also an UNESCO Ambassador. In light of my credentials and experience in the football community, I wish to motivate my support. I strongly believe that Mr Champagne's determination, extent of experience and professionalism are what FIFA needs.

I had the opportunity to work with Mr. Champagne on our Football League strategy in French Guyana. I have found him to be a visionary with the ability to implement in practical ways.

Mr Champagne is fully acquainted with the West Indies and Caribbean environment -having stayed in Cuba for some years- and is aware of our particular needs as a smaller Federation. Being detailed in his programme, we know that he will tackle our local challenges.

He is able to garner support for his vision because of his great ambition for football, humility and insight of the workings of FIFA. His competency is enhanced by his sensitivity to the broader societal contexts too.

Finally, I am convinced that Mr Champagne has a diligence for ethical interaction and equity of Federations. With this philosophy I perfectly align myself, and I therefore pledge my support for Mr. Champagne's candidacy.

Yours sincerely,

