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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mr. Mark Schlachter, Director
Office of Public Affairs and Outreach
Bureau of International Organization Affairs
State Department

Re: International Telecommunication Union Secretary-General Candidacy

5G Americas is pleased to support Doreen Bogdan-Martin's candidacy to become the next Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). 5G Americas' mission is to facilitate and advocate for the advancement and transformation of LTE, 5G and beyond throughout the Americas. Through Ms. Bogdan-Martin's nearly three decades of service, including her current role as the Director of the ITU's Bureau of Telecommunication Development (BDT), she has worked to advance telecommunications in our Region and across the world.

"5G Americas proudly supports the historic candidacy of Doreen Bogdan-Martin to become the next Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU)," said 5G Americas President Chris Pearson. "If elected, she would be the first woman to serve in that important role. Ms. Bogdan-Martin has worked tirelessly as the Director of the Development Bureau to bring more women and girls into telecommunications, highlight the role of ICT in achieving the UN's Sustainability Goals, and bridge the digital divide for people around the globe. Her election would benefit the entire membership of the ITU, and their constituencies."

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Pearson".

Chris Pearson
President, 5G Americas