To whom it may concern,

## Re: GHHR Summer School director, Dr. Astrid Stuckelberger

As this year's Global Health and Human Rights (GHHR) Summer School cohort, we would like to extend our gratitude for your excellent programme. The course was filled with many compelling and insightful concepts and granted unprecedented access to numerous United Nations' organisations, as well as the brilliant minds working within them; with whom, astute and enlightening discussions positively enriched our experiences. For such invaluable opportunities, we cannot express enough appreciation.

We unanimously believe that our fantastic experience was made possible as a result of Dr. Astrid Stuckelberger's innate dedication, passion to share knowledge and drive to inspire young professionals. For this reason we have collectively and democratically written this letter, via Facebook and Google Docs, as a testament to Dr. Stuckelberger's outstanding work at the GHHR Summer School. Many of us have individually signed and there are others who are also in support of this letter.

Dr. Stuckelberger has attended every lecture, led discussions and sincerely critiqued all submitted group work. When guest lecturers fell through, she seamlessly made alternative arrangements to ensure that our learning experience was not hindered. Furthermore, she always made herself available to answer questions, provide encouraging words and share her leadership. She aided us in gaining clarification on controversial issues and did an excellent job integrating ideas with her own expertise. It is clear that she is incredibly accomplished and often demonstrated knowledge on par with many esteemed speakers.

In addition, Dr. Stuckelberger possesses a very high level of emotional intelligence. As an honest, genuine and thoughtful individual, she taught us to appreciate the value of differing experiences and expertise. She asserted that our contributions merited value during discussions with speakers and classmates. Recognizing the capabilities of her students and supporting their future goals, Dr. Stuckelberger encouraged us to acknowledge our potential with confidence, to the extent that experts within our group with affiliations to Médecins Sans Frontières and the Australian Register for Naturopaths and Herbalists, were encouraged to deliver lectures.

Despite being responsible for many other competing academic obligations, Dr. Stuckelberger worked tirelessly, occasionally at personal cost, to ensure that we received the best possible learning experience. Even with her abundant experience and qualifications, she consistently waived the hierarchy and worked with us as academic partners, an innovative approach, which was highly effective and empowering. Furthermore, she provided constructive criticism in an honest effort to promote our development in the field of global health and human rights. She has gone above and beyond her role to ensure the satisfaction and success of the GHHR group.

When considering our cumulative global academic experience, which encompasses a range of undergraduate and postgraduate disciplines within both healthcare and human rights, we unanimously agree that Dr. Stuckelberger has been a phenomenal director by any global standard. Her calibre is definitely on par with that of our respective professors; considering that our academic associations vary from Harvard to King's College London, this is an extraordinary feat. We therefore eagerly anticipate her progression to even greater heights, just as she has been advocating for us these past few weeks. She truly is an excellent credit to your department and the University of Geneva.

Yours sincerely, University of Geneva GH&HR Summer School participants 2015

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