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**Professor Eric Bouffet  
President  
SIOP Board**

**Re: Nomination for the position of Treasurer of SIOP**

Dear Professor Bouffet

I hereby accept the nomination to stand for the post of secretary of the SIOP Board.

I am an experienced paediatric oncologist working in a low and middle income setting. I administer a paediatric oncology unit, participate in a wide range of educational and outreach activities including the PODC committee. I can reflect on a long personal history of leadership and governance within both organisations and national and international meetings of professional societies, all of it in the arenas of paediatrics and paediatric oncology. I would argue that this leaves me well-placed to offer that skill-set to SIOP.

Committed as I am to the motto of the International Society of Paediatric Oncology, I will strive to build the organisation in the pursuit of that vision in all nations of the world and on every front. I believe that central focus of our work must be one of relationship-building, since good relationships lie at the heart of each and every successful collaboration. If elected to the board I would consider that my mandate while focusing, of course, on fiscal governance.

Yours sincerely

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