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Dear Sir, Dear Madam,

Handicap International is an independent international aid and development organisation working in situations of poverty and exclusion, conflict and disaster. We are currently operating in over 60 countries and have more than 3500 employees worldwide.

Over the years, our organisation has developed considerable expertise and a wide range of activities for addressing the essential needs of people with disabilities and other vulnerable people, improving their living conditions and promoting respect for their dignity and fundamental rights.

In order to communicate more effectively on the diversity of our activities, which are not confined to support for people with disabilities, we are changing our international network's operating name from Handicap International to Humanity & Inclusion (HI) and adopting a new logo. These changes will come into effect on 24 January 2018. This global network is composed of National associations and of a Federation which implements our programmes in the field in around sixty countries, operating under the names "Humanity & Inclusion", "Handicap International" and "Atlas Logistique".



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The new name of our international network expresses one of our organisation's central values, humanity. This value is reflected in the benevolent and empathic approach we bring to our actions, the proximity we establish with the beneficiaries of our programmes and our respect for each person's individuality.

Our name also reflects an ambition that has driven our action for the last 35 years: **the inclusion of people who are otherwise overlooked, left behind** by standard humanitarian responses, especially people with disabilities.

For the first time in our organisation's history, our logo contains a symbol – the hand. For us, this powerful and universal symbol mirrors the value of humanity expressed in our name. But it also represents support, protection and care, as well as communication and exchange.

From now on, our operating name will therefore be Humanity & Inclusion. This is the name that will be used by our teams and displayed on our building and vehicles.

Our legal name, on the other hand, is not changing. It will continue to be Handicap International Federation. Consequently, our byelaws and purpose will not be affected by the change in our operating name. Nor will it in any way affect the nature of our missions and activities.

Yours faithfully,

