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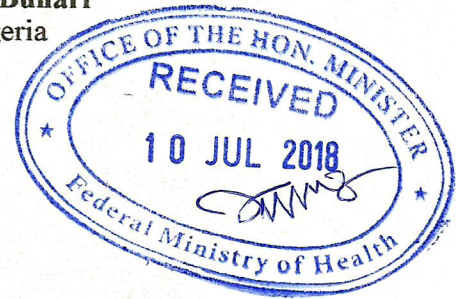
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**His Excellency President Muhammadu Buhari**  
President/C-in-C, Federal Republic of Nigeria  
Aso Rock Presidential Villa  
Abuja, Nigeria

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**Prof. Isaac Folorunso Adewole**  
Hon. Minister, Federal Ministry of Health  
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**Subject: United Nations High Level Meeting on TB:  
An Urgent Global Response to a Global Epidemic**

Dear President M. Buhari,

We hope this finds you well.

Afrihealth Optonet Association <<http://www.afrihealthcsos.org>> is a civil society network and think-tank for systems strengthening and the promotion of Health as a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being through systems strengthening in the health, community and development sectors, especially in the areas of diseases prevention and impact mitigations for HIV/AIDS, TB, Malaria, Immunization, Health Care Financing and Endemic Diseases; energy and environmental preservation, conservation and sustainability; nutrition and food security; good governance, democracy, gender and human rights; using partnerships, advocacy, research/evidence-generation, capacity development, outreaches, and monitoring and evaluation as strategies. Afrihealth has a *Consultative Status at the United Nations ECOSOC*; and has members in Nigeria, Kenya, Malawi, Haiti and Uganda.

On behalf of the global TB stakeholders and communities, I would like to convey our appreciation for your continued leadership in the global fight to end tuberculosis (TB). We look up to your continuous support even more as we now move towards a successful UN High-Level Meeting (UNHLM) on TB on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> September 2018, taking place during the UN General Assembly in New York.

We understand that member states are initiating negotiations on a Zero Draft of the UNHLM Political Declaration.

Given this background, we are pleased to share with you the "Key Asks" that have been developed through our combined extensive engagement with the