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The Norwegian Nobel Committee
Henrik Ibsens gate 51
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LETTER OF NOMINATION FOR 2015 NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

To whom it may concern,

It is my honor to nominate BENJAMIN FERENCZ as a candidate for the 2015 Nobel Peace Prize.

2015 marks the 70th anniversary of the opening of the Nuremberg Trials in 1945. Benjamin Ferencz was a young lawyer who participated in this revolutionary moment in international law. Since that time, he has devoted his life to both establishing the world's first permanent International Criminal Court (which came into existence in 1998), and to developing the legal framework which identifies waging aggressive war as an international crime. These efforts have undoubtedly promoted cooperation and fraternity among nations.

With his son Don, and through the Ferencz family's Planethood Foundation, Benjamin Ferencz is responsible for numerous initiatives - including conferences, congresses and workshops - all aimed at promoting 'Peace through Law'. By working with states (such as Liechtenstein), and by working with universities and practitioners, Benjamin Ferencz and his Planethood Foundation have provided unparalleled support for the education and advocacy necessary to create a world in which the 'Law of Force' is replaced with the 'Force of Law.'

For the above reasons, I nominate BENJAMIN FERENCZ for the 2015 Nobel Peace Prize.

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