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Dear Volunteers, Partners, and Colleagues,

It gives us great pleasure to extend our warmest congratulations to you all for the outstanding recognition received and remarkable work carried out on building, sustaining and promoting the WHO COVID-19 Research Database.

The “Choice” award delivered by the American Library Association is an acknowledgement of value, quality and scope that would not have been possible without your relentless hardship and determination.

The multilingual scientific findings that populate the WHO COVID-19 Research Database are now accessed in more than 200 countries by more than 7000 active researchers every day. This alone demonstrates how important your work is in fighting the COVID-19 pandemic through open, timely and rigorous evidence-based information.

Once again, we wish to congratulate you on behalf of the World Health Organization for your leadership in providing evidence and knowledge that facilitates analysis and decision-making at country, regional and global levels.

Wishing you continued energy and focus in fighting the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Encl.: - Choice award letter and certificate