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Dear Mr. Troillet,

It was with great interest that I have learned that Mr. Pierre E. Genecand (1294 Genthod, Switzerland) has submitted his candidacy in the view of the presidential election of the *Fédération Equestre Internationale* (FEI) due to take place in Baku, Azerbaijan in December this year.

Mr. Genecand has an extensive knowledge and experience in the field of equestrian sports, gained not only from his time as a rider but also as a result of his Presidency of the CHI Geneva between 1989 and 2003.

In my capacity as the Head of the Federal Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sports, I am pleased to support Mr. Genecand in his candidacy. I am convinced that FEI would benefit a lot from a Swiss expert. Switzerland is very honoured to host the International Olympic committee and many international sports federations to which we are pleased to count the FEI as well.

In this sense I fully endorse Mr. Genecand's candidacy for the next Presidency of FEI as he fulfills the requirements and also has the personal energy and motivation needed to successfully bring forward the aims and objectives of the FEI.

I wish Mr. Genecand the best of luck for the election in Baku in December.

Yours sincerely,


Ueli Maurer
Federal Councillor