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Dear colleague,

I am writing to you and your CLP to be considered for nomination to Labour's National Executive Committee.

Over the past few months, Britain has changed. You can feel the change in the air as an outdated, unfair political model has been discredited. Jeremy Corbyn's Labour Party is setting the agenda while the Tories flounder, holding office but no power. This version of Labour, with an honest and straightforward left-wing leadership, is now the biggest political party in Europe, with the general election proving beyond doubt that Britain is sick of business-as-usual, and the electorate want an alternative direction for our country.

This extraordinary situation would have been impossible had it not been for our membership. The ordinary Labour Party member has been the hero of the past few years. By standing firm against disgraceful media attacks from the Murdoch, rejecting the received wisdom of the pseudo-analysts who had considered our party dead in the water, and by consistently backing Jeremy Corbyn, they have changed the future of our country. Our members knew more than anyone that Jeremy's politics resonated with the population, no matter what the chattering classes said.

If we are to take back seats in heartlands that we lost, we need to give our members far more say over Labour's direction. Democratising and modernising the Party is crucial. We need to consider how and who we recruit, to become even more reflective and popular in the communities and areas we want to change. We need much more accountability and transparency from those who work for the Party on behalf of the members. Above all, we must encourage and develop our members and to give them a real sense of ownership over the organisation.

I am a long-standing Labour activist and have a history in community activism – I serve as a Councillor in Islington, and already serve on the NEC, as well as overseeing the Democracy Review. I am determined to ensure that its outcomes fully represent the aspirations of party members. I am interested in building a viable, modern and dynamic democratic socialist party that can deliver real change to Britain in government, and to finally crush the neoliberal consensus. If you share these sentiments, I would be truly honoured if you could consider nominating me for the NEC.

In unity,

**Claudia Webbe**