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Seeking nomination for the National Policy Forum elections 2018

Dear Colleagues,

In the summer we will be voting to decide who will represent our members in our region on the National Policy Forum

I am writing to ask for your constituency's nomination as one of the representative for the North West.

The closing date for CLP nominations is Friday 22nd June 2018, details of the process and nomination forms have been sent to your CLP secretary with the annual conference pack. The nominations period will then be followed by a one-member-one-vote ballot.

A British Kashmiri, I am a member of Unite the Union, CLPD and Momentum, and have been active in the Trade Union and Labour Movements for over 3 decades. I have had the honour, and privilege, of representing our members on many platforms.

I served as a Councillor on Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council, I was on the Labour Party National Executive Committee (NEC), and a shop Stewart and a convenor for ACTSS branch. I am a proud trade unionist, who does a regular job which keeps me rooted in the community. I have helped to set up and run many voluntary sector projects to help the working class people and those in great need.

I was the co-ordinator of a successful campaign to stop the BNP and have been an active anti racist and anti fascist activist all my life. I have real life experience of many of the issues and concerns of our members.

I believe I can play an important role on the National Policy Forum by campaigning for policies that will help the many not the few. The Corbyn Democracy Review is a great opportunity to democratise our party, and the NPF will have a key role in ensuring what emerges is formed into change that works for our party. I want to give a North West perspective to those discussions and will visit branches and constituencies to create a genuine two way conversation

I am in contact with many different groups and communities and have insight into the difficulties they are facing. Their views must be heard at the decision making tables. I will use our Labour Movement and Community structures to promote what the Labour Party is building for. But this needs to be a two way process where ideas and suggestions from our members are listened to, properly debated and acted upon.

We now have a mass party thanks to the huge surge in membership inspired by Jeremy Corbyn and the hope he has given that we can create a better society Our greatest strength is always our members, and we must use this historic opportunity to bring about the changes that will strengthen our communities and get Jeremy Corbyn into no 10. Please consider supporting me for this important role.

Please let me know if you need any further information.

Yours in solidarity,

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