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TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

I have had the opportunity to study, interact with and observe the organization SightLife U.S.A since 2008. In the year 2009-2010 the organization has played an important role in scaling up eye banking services in India in collaboration with the Eye Bank Association of India.

The National Eye Bank at Dr R P Centre for Ophthalmic Sciences is working on developing a collaborative project to increase the eye donation, cornea collection and transplantation services by a joint effort of Public Sector Private- Sector Partnership involving the National Eye Bank, Dr RPC, AIIMS; Dr Shroff's Charitable Eye Hospital and SightLife, USA. This pilot project has the approval of the Ethics Committee, AIIMS and is under consideration for Health Ministry Screening Committee (HMSC) clearance by ICMR. It is anticipated that the benefits of this Pilot project with SightLife will be felt in the community in general and by the needy population waiting for corneal transplantation in particular.

The contributions made by SightLife U.S.A in India as on date are considerable and noteworthy and will be facilitated by their having an official presence in India. The organization should have a 'not for profit' perspective and play a philanthropic role. We support SightLife U.S.A having its presence in India provided they continue to work for the benefit of the Indian people following National norms and guidelines in this field in the best interest of patient care services with no commercial interests.

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