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Dr. John Beard
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Dear Mr Beard:

First of all I would like to congratulate you for the development of the Network that you are running and that undoubtedly represents a major tool to improve older people's conditions of life in the cities, as well as to promote collaboration and exchange of experiences among the different cities of the world.

The city of Zaragoza would like to take part in the Global Network Age-friendly Cities, promoted by the World Health Organisation. Not only because we believe in a new model of city for older people, capable of responding to their needs and favouring social cohesion, in one word, a friendly city for all citizens, but also, because we are convinced we can learn from the practices of other cities as well as contributing with our own knowledge and experience.

Therefore, I am pleased to request in the name of the City of Zaragoza, our incorporation to the Global Network Age-Friendly Cities, for which we accept the commitment of carrying out a diagnosis on the different areas established, allowing definition of actions for the improvement of our City, taking into consideration the available resources and the working objectives of our City. All the previous, within a participative approach, involving older people as active agents in a process of improvement.

Best wishes,

J. A. Belloch