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Mr. Juan Carlos Riveros Applications for the WWF Prince Bernard Scholarship for conservation FAX: (011-51-1-463-4459)

Dear Mr. Juan Carlos Riveros:

This letter is in strong support of the Application of Lucila Pautrat of Assoc. Cracidae for financial support via the WWF Prince Bernard Scholarship to go to the JEAN DELACOUR SYMPOSIUM IN BREEDING BIRDS IN CAPTIVITY, in Cincinnati in October, 2000.

I have known of Lucila Pautrat's professional work for several years through her association with Grupo de Aves de Peru, both in bird censusing and in publication, and now at Association Cracidae. She has the highest standards of professional commitment and enterprise, and in her current position trying to breed and re-introduce the endangered White-winged Guan, stands to benefit enormously from the proposed training opportunity.

I first knew of Lucilla's work when she censused the birds of the Pantanos de Villa, which she performed faithfully and meticulously for several years, publishing the results and providing them to the local authorities fro their management and conservation purposes. She now works for Assoc. Cracidae, and is addressing the conservation needs of one of Peru's most endangered species of birds. She is doing a very capable job, and could benefit tremendously from the proposed workshop.

I myself am an environmental attorney working for the Environmental Law Institute, as well as volunteer head of the World Parks Endowment, and formerly was director of the United States office of IUCN- the World Conservation Union.

Yours sincerely.,

Byron Swift, Exec Director