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To whom it may concern,

I have had the pleasure of working with producer Simon Surowicz, on and off, for the last two and a half years. We have covered stories in far away places and Simon was not only able, to consistently pull it off, but also to make them come alive. He is very tenacious and does not easily give up. When ABC News "Day One" and "60 Minutes" failed to obtain an interview with long-time African dictator Sese Seko Mobutu, Simon was not discouraged. On the contrary, it gave him the impetus to pursue it even more vigilantly. Three months later he had the exclusive interview.

Whether working with Simon in Cairo, Brussels or Atlanta, he was always in control of the situation and well-prepared for the task at hand. Simon has a keen analytical mind and strong editorial instincts. He wants to know every detail of every story he covers. He has a broad background in all aspects of television and speaks several languages fluently, an asset in overseas work.

Count this as a ringing endorsement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Ross". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "B" and "R".

Brian Ross  
Chief Investigative Correspondent  
ABC News