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Dear Ms. Richards and all our colleagues at the Nurses Association of Jamaica,

It is with profound sadness that we mourn the passing of Merel Hanson, a distinguished leader in nursing and a cherished member of our global community.

Merel served as a Board Member of the International Council of Nurses from 1985 to 1989, and later as Third Vice-President from 1989 to 1993. Her tenure was marked by visionary leadership, unwavering dedication, and a deep commitment to advancing the nursing profession worldwide.

As a representative of the Nurses Association of Jamaica, Merel brought a powerful voice from the Caribbean to the international stage. Her contributions helped shape policies, strengthen global collaboration, and uplift the role of nurses in delivering equitable and compassionate care.

Merel's legacy is one of service, integrity, and inspiration. She will be remembered not only for her professional achievements but also for the warmth, wisdom, and generosity she shared with all who knew her.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to her family, friends, and colleagues. May her memory continue to guide and inspire us in our shared mission to improve health and uphold the values she so passionately championed.

With deepest sympathy,



Dr José Luis Cobos Serrano
President



Howard Catton
Chief Executive Officer