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Letter

After our training in Neurology, we quickly understood the burden of epilepsy on our health system. This situation justified the orientation of our career towards the fight against epilepsy. So we took part in the various epilepsy trainings very early on.

Also, under the guidance of our mentors (Peter Wolf, Michel Baldi Moulinier, Perrine Plouin, and Gallo Amadou Giop) we have perfected our training in epilepsy. Our mentors have also enabled us to participate internationally in major meetings on epilepsy.

In our country, we are co-founder of the Malian league against epilepsy which has been admitted as a chapter of the international league against epilepsy since 2009. Our league is very active and has carried out several activities. We have also helped several African countries to set up their associations to fight epilepsy. We believe today that we have acquired a solid experience in the fight against epilepsy that we want to put at the service of patients, caregivers and decision-makers

If we are elected within the African Commission, our action will focus on:

- Training: in initial and post-doctoral training, we will participate in the harmonization of training in epilepsy in our faculties.
- Research: We intend to encourage research on the specificities of epilepsy in Africa (genetics, clinic, traditional medicine, socio-cultural aspects).
- Care: We intend to put our experience in advocacy at the service of our colleague to improve the availability and accessibility of antiepileptics.

Regards,

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