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Elise Carlson Lewis
Vice President, Membership and Fellowship Affairs
Council on Foreign Relations
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Dear Ms Lewis,

I wish to nominate Paul M. Maniscalco for membership in the Council. Maniscalco is an outstanding authority on medical and other aspects of disaster response, in particular as it relates to US preparedness for possible natural or intentionally caused major emergencies. He is Past President of the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians and is an active and valued member of major national and regional advisory bodies. Trained in emergency medicine and public administration, he served 16 years in the emergency service of the city of New York, and was Deputy Chief and Commanding Officer of its Central Manhattan and Special Operations divisions. Further details of his education, publications and professional accomplishments may be found in his Nominee Information Form and its accompanying chronological resume.

My contact with Maniscalco began in 1999 with our joint participation in the Executive Session on Domestic Preparedness at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, an annual three-day intensive conference that brings together senior public officials and academic experts on technical and political aspects of domestic preparedness for possible large-scale emergencies. I regard him as one of the few most knowledgeable, concise and committed individuals in his field and potentially a valuable contributor to the Council's deliberations in this area of public policy and national security.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if further information is desired.

Sincerely yours,

Matthew Meselson