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**Bio & Policy Statement from
A Nominee for Correspondent Member Governor
Board of Governors 2024-2025**



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Statement:

After two years on the board and a change of management with David taking the helm I am happy to be considered again for the role of Correspondent Member Governor. I see a bright future for the Club with some great new ideas coming into play and a new confidence in our long term commitments. I am currently co-convenor on the Wall Committee and Constitutional Committee. With a great team of people on the Wall Committee, we have managed to put up an eclectic mix of exhibitions and find ourselves with a healthy backlog of exciting projects for this year again. Joining the Constitutional committee as co-convenor I am learning more about the other side of running a press club and find it very interesting in a new environment for me. As a photographer for Agence France - Presse I feel the board will benefit from the perspective of a photographer still working on the ground in Hong Kong. It's an honor to be nominated as Correspondent Governor of the FCC Board of Governors 2024-2025 and I thank you all for this opportunity.

Bio:

I am the AFP chief photographer in the Hong Kong bureau. I first arrived in Hong Kong in 1993 and worked freelance and then for the newspapers. I joined AFP in 1996 and stayed in Hong Kong until 2004. I then spent 7 years in the Beijing AFP bureau and then 3 years in Shanghai. I covered the rise of the middle class in China and the 2008 Olympic Games, the Sichuan earthquake of the same year and the riots in Xinjiang in 2009. In 2014 I moved to the Sydney AFP bureau and after 6 years moved back to Hong Kong. I am British of Welsh and English stock, born in Bedford in the home counties, England.