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Dear Ms. González,

United Nations/Airbus
on the Accessing Space with the ISS Bartolomeo Platform

I would like to thank you for your application to the first Announcement of Opportunity inviting experiments on the Bartolomeo platform under the United Nations/Airbus opportunity on Accessing Space with the ISS Bartolomeo Platform, being implemented by the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) and Airbus Defence and Space.

Over the past few months, an in-depth evaluation of all received applications were carefully conducted by the Selection Board in line with the criteria in terms of team composition and experience, institution endorsement, completeness, scientific/technical and programmatic value of the payload, mission definition, relevance to the Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, technical capabilities of the applying entity(ies), feasibility for implementation, schedule, financial outlook, shipping capacity, outreach plan, and safety. Based on the results of the in-depth review, a comprehensive selection process was held to make final decision.

The evaluation and selection exercise for this first cycle have been highly competitive. As a result, I am happy to inform you that your project, “SPES: Synthesis of Bio-nano polymers for Enhanced Surface Barrier Properties in Space” has been pre-selected as one of the three projects for this first cycle. The pre-selection is done in recognition of the value of the proposal, however, it does not entail any guarantee that your project will be finally selected. You will be notified of the final selection in due course. You might be directly contacted by Airbus to obtain additional information concerning your proposal. In such case, failure to provide the requested information in a timely manner will be understood as withdrawal of your application.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you again for your interest and effort and look forward to collaborating with you in this opportunity, if you are finally selected, or other future opportunities.

Yours sincerely,



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