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Dear Dr. Maita,

upon suggestion of Prof. R. Monti, I have the pleasure to invite you to serve as a Member of the newly established PRORA Unmanned Space Vehicles (USV) Peer Review Working Group (PRWG) with the Terms of Reference known to you and that I attach to this letter, I hope you can confirm your interest.

The Peer Review process will take advantage, in the initial phase, of e-mail iterations, coordinated by Prof. Monti with the objective to get a preliminary acquaintance of the USV programs.

A first formal meeting could take place at CIRA premises, on the occasion of the International Space Planes and Hypersonic System and Technologies Conference, 16-20 May 2005 at a TBD date; on that occasion the CIRA responsables will make a presentation of the CIRA programs that fall within the Terms of Reference of the Peer Review.

Specific meetings of the review group will then follow in order to discuss, compare and record the evaluation results.

As anticipated in the letter of Prof. R. Monti the group shall be meeting 2-3 times per year; all the travelling and per diem expenses will be covered by CIRA plus an attendance fee amounting to 1500€.

The members of the PRWG shall keep confidential all information gained during the courses of their Review activities.

Will you please sign the original of this letter for acceptance and send it back to me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely Yours.

Prof. Sergio Vetrella