Santiago, 30 October 2014

To: Jaime Forero

Ref: Support to the Andean Node of the OAD

Dear Jaime,

On behalf of a group of astronomers and professionals working for various international astronomical observatories operating in Chile, we would like to express our strong support to the creation of an Andean Node of the OAD, that will be represented in Chile by the Sociedad Chilena de Astronomia (SOCHIAS).

Furthermore, we will like to express our intention to create a National OAD in Chile, with an emphasis in collaborating with the Chilean Industry and government, building a complementary effort to the Andean Node.

Sincerely yours,

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