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Prof. Philipp Gibbard
Secretary General, International Commission on Stratigraphy

Dear Prof. Gibbard,

I am pleased to inform you that the IUGS Executive Committee has voted unanimously to ratify the GSSP proposal for the base of the Coniacian Stage of the Upper Cretaceous Series and Cretaceous System as approved by the International Commission on Stratigraphy and forward to the IUGS EC on 2 April 2021.

Congratulations to the International Commission on Stratigraphy. Also please send congratulations from the IUGS EC to Prof. Maria Rose Petrizzo, Chair of the International Subcommittee on Cretaceous Stratigraphy, and to Dr. Ireneusz Walaszczyk, the lead author of the ratified GSSP proposal.

Sincerely,

Stan Finney
Secretary General, International Union of Geological Sciences