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Recommendation Letter

I got to know Peter Hess in 1977/78 in Frankfurt/Main, where I stayed as a Humboldt Fellow, and he completed his studies in physics and prepared his Master thesis under supervision of Professor Walter Greiner. Thus, I could observe his scientific activity from the very beginning. At that time we both were interested in the nuclear collective model and collaborated with Professor Marcos Moshinsky who visited Frankfurt.

Professor Peter Hess, native German, lives and works in Mexico for a long time having a permanent position (Full Professor since 1990) at Instituto Ciencias Nucleares, UNAM. He worked temporary also at foreign scientific institutions: Johan Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt/Main, Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies, G.S.I. Darmstadt, Justus Liebig University, Giessen and University of Cape Town.

Petr Hess' scientific activity concerns the Theory of Nuclear Structure and the Group Theory, the Quantum Chromodynamics and Cosmology. He is an outstanding specialist in the geometric, algebraic and group-theoretical models of the collective motion of nuclei. His scientific achievements include almost 200 original scientific papers published in international journals, not counting the numerous publications in proceedings, reports and books. He has been the organizer of many conferences and symposia, editor of several conference proceedings.

Petr Hess is also an experienced academic teacher. He has lectured on many standard and specialist subjects of theoretical physics.

The most important thing is that Professor Peter Otto Hess is still active scientist and teacher. He should have a possibility to continue his academic activity. Therefore, I recommend strongly to promote him to the position of Professor Emeritus at the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico.

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