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Dr Ramasamy Uthurusamy
Secretary-Treasurer,
International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI-07)

Dear Dr Uthurusamy

I write to confirm that Ryan Francis Kelly is currently a PhD student in the Department of Computer Science and Software Engineering at the University of Melbourne. Ryan is a very strong and active graduate candidate within the Department and he is very successful in his research into artificial intelligence and distributed computing.

Thesis Topic: A Programming Language for Multi-Agent Teams

Date Enrolled: April 2005

Expected Completion Date: April 2008

I am delighted that Ryan has the opportunity to present his promising work at IJCAI-07. Attendance at IJCAI-07 would be a tremendous opportunity for Ryan to engage with AI work of the highest calibre.

Ryan is not presently eligible for funding from Departmental sources for this International conference, since his present travel funding grants have been expended.

I would therefore like to add my personal support to his application for an IJCAI-07 Travel Grant funding to help him in attending the conference.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Rao Kotagiri, Head of Department