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Dear Mr. Zimmerman,

I would like to refer to the 12th International Radiation Protection Association (IRPA), IRPA12, which will take place in Buenos Aires, Argentina, on 19-24 October, 2008. You can find all detailed information about the Congress in www.irpa12.com.ar.

I am writing this letter on behalf of the IRPA12 International Congress Organizing Committee (ICOC) with the purpose of inviting Dr. Cynthia G. Jones from your Office to deliver a Refresher Course at IRPA 12 and of assuring your concurrence with this invitation. Dr. Jones' contribution to IRPA12 would increase the scientific contents and quality of the Congress. In addition to the course itself, she may wish to provide the participants with a written text, which will be made more widely available after the Congress through the IRPA web page. In this way, the impact of each lecture will go far beyond the attendees to reach all members of the IRPA Associate Societies, students and young professionals, not able to participate in IRPA12. (The deadline for the submission of her manuscript by electronic means is August 1st, 2008.)

In September this year, in connection with the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency, I meet Mr. Luis A. Reyes, NRC Executive

Director for Operations, and conveyed to him detailed information on IRPA12 and, on behalf of the Argentine Government, requested him to encourage NRC support to the Congress.

The Congress programme includes twenty Refresher Courses that will serve as an introduction to the different Sessions. Dr Jones' high scientific reputation in the field of radiological security, the Members of the IRPA 12 International Congress Programme Committee, have proposed her to lecture the Refresher Course, RC-13 "Consequence Management of Malevolent use of Radioactive Material".

The IRPA Executive Council, the ICOC has adopted a policy to restrict the financial support to lecturers in order to have a direct positive impact on the possibilities of helping young scientists and professionals from developing countries to cover part of their expenses. Taking into account the limited budget, we would be very grateful if your organization would absorb the cost of Dr. Cynthia G. Jones participation.

I thank you very much, in advance, for your understanding and look forward to your positive reply to the participation of Dr. Jones, and hope to have the opportunity to convey personally our gratitude for your collaboration.



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