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Academician of NASU Vyacheslav L. Bogdanov Chief Scientific Secretary of NAS of Ukraine National Academy of Science of Ukraine Volodymyrska St, 54,

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Subject: Letter of Appreciation

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Dear Academician Bogdanov,

I hope this communication finds you well in these unsettled times. I wanted to reach out to express our appreciation for the research partnerships between NASU and IIASA, and particularly for the strong relationship that has been developed over the years through the dedicated effort and enthusiasm of Academician Anatoly G. Zagorodny, IIASA Council Member representing the Ukraine.

This relationship has resulted in the development of strong research ties, and significant research collaboration between IIASA and the Ukrainian research community. It has also resulted in the development of a significant additional international collaborative network in systems analysis, in which IIASA researchers and collaborators from numerous Ukrainian research institutions have played important roles. In recent years, this work has focused on systems perspectives and policy impacts in sustainable agriculture and food security; integrated management of food, energy, and water security; a sustainable energy future for Ukraine; and financial and natural disaster risk management.

Bearing in mind the upcoming NASU elections, we at IIASA wanted to highlight the pivotal role that Academician Zagorodny, has played in developing the Ukraine's relationship with IIASA – through his enthusiastic participation as IIASA Council Member representing the Ukraine research community, as well as through his many academic collaborations with researchers here at IIASA. We know Academician Zagorodny as a strong supporter of systems analysis and systems research and their importance to engaging with sustainable development challenges.

We at IIASA value the participation and engagement of the Ukrainian systems analysis research community, and the leadership role that Academician Zagorodny has played over the years. We look forward to continuing to work with Ukrainian systems analysis colleagues and Academician Zagorodny to further strengthen, build and develop the global systems analysis research community for years to come in pursuit of a sustainable future for all of humanity.

Yours sincerely,

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