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Dr. Dave Michelson
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re: Nomination of DRAO for IEEE Milestone award

Dear Dr. Michelson,

As Director General of the NRC Herzberg Institute for Astrophysics, I am very pleased to approve the IEEE Vancouver section advancing a proposed nomination of the Dominion Radio Astrophysical Observatory of the Herzberg Institute for an IEEE Milestone for its role in the historic world's first transcontinental Very Long Baseline Interferometer experiment on 17 April 1967.

I advise that you communicate directly with Dr. Sean Dougherty, current director of DRAO on this matter.

On behalf of NRC, I wish you every success with the nomination.

Sincerely,

Gregory G. Fahlman
Director General, HIA

cc: Sean Dougherty, HIA-DRAO
Tom Landecker, HIA-DRAO