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> International Ozone Commission

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IAMAS Resolution on Earth Observation

To whom it may concern,

The International Association of Meteorology and Atmospheric Sciences (IAMAS) is a nongovernmental body that is one of the eight associations of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics. IAMAS provides the scientific community with platforms to present, discuss and promote the newest achievements in meteorology, atmospheric science and related fields. It also facilitates and coordinates research that requires international cooperation, especially through its ten commissions that cover many aspects of the atmospheric sciences.

At its biennial assemblies the members of the Executive Committee of IAMAS can formulate and approve resolutions on topics relevant to the objectives of the association. At the IAMAS Scientific Assembly in Cape Town, South Africa during August 2017 the IAMAS Executive Committee approved the attached resolution regarding the need for continuation and enhancement of Earth Observation systems to monitor the atmosphere, ocean and other elements of the Earth system.

I would be grateful if you could forward this resolution to relevant organizations and individuals concerned with Earth observation and related activities.

Yours faithfully,

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