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IAA Commission IV
Space System Operation and Utilization
Dr. Leon Alkalai, Chair
Dr. Filippo Graziani, Co-Chair

Report on the Commission IV Meeting IAC 2012, Naples, Italy September 30th, 2012

1. Attendance:

Filippo Graziani – member, Co-chair Tibor Balint – member, Secretary Rene Laufer - member Arnoldo Valenzuela - member Michael Ovchinnikov – member Rhoda Hornstein – guest Larry Paxton – guest Sergey Lysyy - guest Rainer Sandau – guest Olga Ovchinnikova – guest Ajax Melo - guest David Kusnierkiewicz – guest

2. Approval of the Report on Last Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting in Paris, March 2012 were approved as distributed.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda for the meeting was approved without objection.

4.1 Reports of On-Going Study Groups

- 4.1 Knowledge Management, Jeanne Holm.
 - I. Study Completed. Briefing to Commission IV on key results completed.
 - II. Action: Compile key messages to be transmitted to the SAC in Paris 2013.
- 4.5 Hitch-hiking to the Moon, Leon Alkalai.
 - I. Proposed to close study group. Proposal accepted.
 - II. Leon proposes to close the study group due to lack of progress. This is in part due to the change of focus following the US Planetary Decadal Survey, away from the Moon. Consequently, in the near term opportunities for lunar exploration stepped back to a formulation and planning phase. However, in recent year there has been a renewed interest in lunar exploration, so this topic may become more relevant in the near future.
- 4.8 Space-Systems Cross-Compatibility, Esper & D'Errico.
 - i. Study Completed.
 - ii. Final report has been submitted to the Commission IV for review and is planned to be published at the IAA Symposium on Small Satellites in Berlin, April 2013.
 - iii. Marco will give an overview to Commission IV and any key messages to the SAC.
- 4.9 International Aerospace System for Monitoring ..., Menshikov
 - i. Study Completed.
 - ii. Final report has been submitted to the Commission IV for review.
 - iii. Study Lead to discuss overview of study report with Commission IV.
- 4.10 Distributed Space Missions for Earth System Monitoring, D'Errico & Wertz
 - i. Study Completed, Reviewed and Published! Congratulations!
 - ii. Marco to brief Commission IV and any message to be carried to the SAC.
- 4.11 Coordination and Cooperation for Global Environmental ..., Gu, Xingfa
 - i. No word from this study group!

4.2 Commission IV New Study Group proposals

Commission IV is considering two new study groups as follows:

- 1. International Standardization on University Small Satellites, Nakasuka et. al.
- 2. Use of small satellites to solve world's problems, Larry Paxton et. al.

4.3 Discussion of Study Groups from other commissions

Discussion of 3 new proposed study groups from Commission III that have Commission IV relevance? Does Commission IV support these new study groups?

- 1. Public/Private Human Access to Space Vol. 2: Earth Orbit and Beyond, proposed by John Makins and G. Reibaldi
- 2. Long Term Space Propellant Depot, Proposed by Lu Yu
- 3. Global Human Mars System Missions Exploration: Goals, Requirements and Technologies, proposed by G. Reibaldi and C. Bonnal

Whereas Commission IV supports these three proposed new commission studies, the Commission decided not to collaborate with the Commission III studies at present, because they were found not to be directly related to current Commission IV activities.

5- IAA Commission Conferences

5.1 Future Conferences

- 1. Small Satellite conference in Rome, February 2-9, 2013, Specifically for cube satellites
- **2.** Berlin conference in March 8-12, 2013, Deadline for abstracts is October 15; also submission for student competition

5.2 Status of Sessions for IAC Congress

- 6- Acta Astronautica
- 7-Future Activities
- **8- AOB**

Appendix 1

Attendees

Name e-mail fax

Filippo Graziani – member, Co-chair Tibor Balint – member, Secretary Rene Laufer - member Arnoldo Valenzuela - member Michael Ovchinnikov – member Rhoda Hornstein – guest Larry Paxton – guest Sergey Lysyy - guest Rainer Sandau – guest Olga Ovchinnikova – guest Ajax Melo - guest David Kusnierkiewicz – guest

Appendix 2

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Commission on

Agenda

- 1. Approval of Minutes
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Reports of Study Groups
- 4. Status of Stand Alone Conferences and Sessions for IAC
- 5. Future Activities
- 6. Any Other Business