Subject: Status of implementation of the Programmatic Agreement concerning the Arecibo Observatory

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Dear Gloria,

I hope this finds you well, and I'd like to thank you and Juan Llanes-Santos for your participation in the recent Arecibo Observatory Historic Preservation Training that took place last Friday, May 1st. I am also writing to provide you with an update on the implementation of our Programmatic Agreement for Arecibo Observatory (PA), in accordance with Stipulation I.C. (for your convenience, the executed PA can be found at:

https://www.nsf.gov/mps/ast/env_impact_reviews/arecibo/arecibo_section106.jsp).

In providing the recent training, NSF has completed the requirement in Stipulation I.A.8. Many of the staff from the Observatory and the University of Central Florida participated in the training, and several of us from NSF (the Division of Astronomical Sciences and the Office of the General Counsel) also observed the training. A recording of the training (with Spanish translation) and handouts in both English and Spanish, were provided to the Observatory.

As we have conveyed in prior emails, NSF has completed an updated survey and submitted a draft nomination form to your office, per Stipulation I.A.3. Please let us know if you would like to engage with us on this documentation.

Many thanks, and I wish you well during these times of limited in-person interaction.

Warm wishes,

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