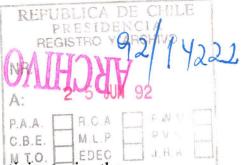
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Dear Mr. Prime Minister:



I would like to invite your government to participate in the establishment of a new Pacific Asia Science and Space Organization (PASSO).

Many nations in the region are now pursuing science-technology development and space-earth exploration to different extents. For the most part, however, they approach it separately, or in cooperation but on a limited basis. It will certainly be more cost effective and mutually beneficial if many of the activities can be coordinated and, perhaps, even pursued collectively. Another advantage of cooperation in science and space is the potential of avoiding future conflicts.

The proposed organization would be jointly financed and managed in much the same manner as the European Space Agency (ESA) with representation from each participating nation. As an individual scientist of Asian origin, I would like to help establish this organization.

If your government is interested, please respond in writing as soon as possible. It is hoped that the first coordination meeting can take place this year, assuming enough interests are shown.

This letter has been sent to the following governments (in the alphabetical order): Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, India, Iran, Indonesia, Japan, Korea (N. & S.), Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, New Zealand, Singapore, Thailand and Taiwan.

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