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Reply to Attn of: CC-A

TO: Distribution

FROM: AA/Director

SUBJECT: Determination Regarding Attendance by NASA Employees at the Melbourne Air and Space Show, March 21–22, 2015

Representatives from NASA Kennedy Space Center (KSC) have been invited to attend a VIP “Chairman’s Chalet” in conjunction with the Melbourne Air and Space Show at the Melbourne International Airport on March 21–22, 2015. The National Air, Sea, and Space Foundation, a nonprofit organization under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and Northrop Grumman will sponsor this chalet. Approximately 200 guests have been invited to attend. Guests include corporate executives, representatives of state and Federal Government, and NASA and military personnel. The United States Navy Blue Angels and some of the Nation’s top aviation performers will be performing during the show. Parking, admission to the show and chalet, lunch, beverages, and a program will be provided at a cost of approximately \$258 a person.

In accordance with 5 C.F.R. § 2635.204(g)(3)(i), Widely Attended Gatherings and Other Events, I find these events meet the requirements of a *widely attended gathering*, and I further determine that there is an Agency interest in having NASA personnel attend the event. This event will allow NASA employees to honor and show support for a program celebrating the history and the future of air and space flight. This event will also provide a forum for the attendees to disseminate information on NASA’s ongoing activities and to discuss matters of interest to NASA with a diverse group of fellow attendees.

Accordingly, NASA KSC employees whose duties do not substantially affect any of the sponsors, including NASA employees in non-career positions who are required to sign the ethics pledge under Executive Order 13490, may accept an invitation for themselves and one guest for free attendance at the show and chalet. NASA employees whose duties may substantially affect the sponsors, such as by way of procurement duties or Space Act agreements, should seek an individual determination pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.204(g)(3)(i) regarding participation in the chalet from the Office of the Chief Counsel.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert D. Cabana".

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