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To: Chairperson of the General Assembly of the Consortium under grant number 871072 Dr. Jürgen Eschke (J.Eschke@gsi.de)

Cc: All members of the General Assembly

Dear Dr. Eschke,

As a member of the General Assembly (GA) of the Consortium under grant number 871072 JINR received a notification on 16.02.2023 about the result of the voting process for the termination of the participation in the project of the beneficiaries JINR and ICISTE, informing that the outcome resulted on 25 members in favor and 2 against the termination. As we had already expressed in a precedent letter, we respectfully consider that no legitimate reasons were provided for the proposal of termination in the project of JINR and ICISTE, which are not under any sanctions of the European Commission and had not committed any faults as members of the project. That is why we are hereby objecting the decision taken by the GA.

According to the Consortium Agreement (CA) article 6.2.4.2 I confirm that I am exercising in the name of the JINR the right to Veto the decision taken by the General Assembly on the termination of the participation of JINR in the EU project under grant 871072.

This is based on the fact of considering our legitimate interests severely affected (CA article 6.2.4.1) for the reasons shown below:

- Since 2014 JINR has been creating expensive infrastructure (fully equipped clean rooms) and trained personal to work out and tune a technologically complicated line to perform the assembling of modules and supermodules for the CBM STS project within the project grant 871072.
- This task was accomplished by the end of 2021 and JINR is ready to start the series production of modules for the CBM. The direct financial detriment for halting this production is roughly estimated to 1,5 million Euro since the beginning of 2022.
- Due to the lack of funding that would result from the termination of the participation of JINR in the project under grant 871072 JINR would lose the means for keeping the working position of several highly trained specialists and technicians, most of them women.

I would like to courteously remind you that according to the CA article 6.2.2.8 "Decisions taken without a meeting shall be considered as accepted if, within the period set out in article 6.2.4.4, no Member has sent an objection in writing to the chairperson."

Thank you for your attention. Kind regards,

Dr. Yuri Murin member of GA for JINR