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Request for observer status

Letter dated 15 October 1992 to the Chairman of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space from the Executive Director of the Association of Space Explorers

The International Executive Committee of the Association of Space Explorers (ASE), meeting at the Association's 8th Planetary Congress in Washington, D.C. this past August, has instructed me to seek, on its behalf, accordance of observer status for ASE with the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space. We therefore hereby request that the Committee undertake consideration of according observer status to ASE at its earliest convenience, and that it make a positive recommendation in this regard to the General Assembly at the next appropriate opportunity. I have enclosed with this letter a copy of ASE's international charter.*

ASE is an international professional association of astronauts from all 26 nations who have sent citizens into space. The Association unites the efforts of individuals who have flown in space to enhance education, strengthen environmental stewardship, encourage international cooperation and promote space exploration for the benefit of all peoples and nations.

We hope you will agree that both ASE and the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space stand to benefit from the establishment of a working relationship on questions of common interest. Please let me know if you require additional information about ASE at any time.

^{*} A copy of the charter of the Association of Space Explorers is available for reference in the Office for Outer Space Affairs.