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Addis Abeba, March 19, 1999

Ms. Marjorie Roman Salas
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Re: Amendment of AfriSpace, Inc.'s Application for Authority to Launch and Operate a Subregional Africa and Middle Eastern Satellite Sound Broadcasting Transmission System, File No. CSS-90-017 (IBFS File No. SAT-LOA—19900723-00002); Amendment File No. SAT-AMD-19990125-00016 (Call Sign 52367)

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Dear Ms Salas:

As an environmental development organization, we wish to express our support for the AfriSpace Inc. application that is currently pending before the FCC. Our organization is concerned with the sustainable development of environmental resources through mass education at the grassroots level.

We are indeed interested in utilizing a service such as the AfriSpace project in order to provide direct audio broadcasting transmission capabilities throughout Africa. We are convinced that only an enhanced communication technology, such as the one provided by AfriSpace, can be of value to our intensive search for mass communications.

Hence, we strongly urge the FCC to approve the Amendment of AfriSpace, Inc.'s application.

Sincerely your

Costantinos Berhe Tesfu, PhD
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