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Dear Sirs:

I wish to inform directly to you on my position with reference to the Hans Haridas' application (pseudonym of Juan Joaquín Schulz Poquet) from Argentina, entitled "The velocity of light. Really a universal constant?".

My position can be divided into three items:

- 1) My personal point of view on Hans Haridas' amateur scientific activity related with the validity of the Second Postulate of the Theory of Relativity is good. He analyzed the problem seriously and honestly.
- 2) My scientific point of view on the same subject is diametrically opposite to the Hans Haridas' ideas. I informed and commented him the last results, as those by L. Koester (Phys. Rev. D 14, 907, 1976); D. Newman et al (Phys. Rev. Lett. 40, 1355, 1978) and A. Brillet and J.L. Hall (Phys. Rev. Lett. 42, 549, 1979). However, as Hans Haridas claims for a "positive" result of the experiment he propose and my own claim is for a "negative" one, I think it is interesting and convenient to consider seriously the application.
- 3) My administrative point of view on the achievement of the experiment proposed by Hans Haridas -to which I personally contributed by adding the idea of the use of picosecond dye laser pulses- is that our "Centro de Investigaciones Ópticas" (Optical Research Center) could be the headquarters for such activity.

Sincerely yours,

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