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Professor Joshua Jortner President International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry School of Chemistry Tel Aviv University Ramat Aviv 69978 Tel Aviv Israel

Dear Professor Jortner:

Re: Changes in Organization and Management of IUPAC's Scientific Work

Thank you for your letter of 26 October 1998, regarding the above. Further to our consultation with the Canadian community working in pure and applied chemistry, I am pleased to inform you that NRC, as Canada's adhering member to IUPAC, supports the proposed changes in the organization and management of IUPAC's scientific activities approved at the 71st meeting of the Bureau in September 1998.

I would like to congratulate IUPAC for implementing these new initiatives that are designed to make the organization less bureaucratic and more relevant and effective. In the interim, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very happy holiday season.

Yours sincerely,

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