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To: Ken Sembach; STScI, Director  
John Mather; GSFC, JWST Senior Project Scientist  
Neill Reid; STScI, Science Mission Office

From: James Bullock on behalf of the JWST Users Committee (JSTUC)

RE: Cycle 1 and Supplemental Call

In response to the reported change in JWST launch date, and after meaningful discussions with our constituency and STScI and NASA representatives, the JSTUC endorses a plan for the Cycle 1 deadline to slip by about one month to April 6, 2018 and for there to be an additional Supplemental Call for Proposals due around the time of launch.

The supplemental call should be designed to maximize science impact from as early as possible in the mission, for example by ensuring that quickly evolving science can pursue their most compelling targets and that the observatory's full capabilities are exploited as much as possible in Cycle 1. The JSTUC will work with STScI to define the parameters and time allocation of the supplemental call such that it meets its designed purpose, with scheduling priority equivalent to Cycle 1 proposals and with approved supplemental observations interleaved with nominal Cycle 1 observations.

Finally, we encourage the allocation of Director's Discretionary Time to new and compelling observations that must occur in a timely manner for scientific discoveries to be realized.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James S. Bullock". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line above the first few letters.

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