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Mr. Maxwell W. Hunter II National Aeronautics & Space Council Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hunter:

I hope that the recent death of our President has not altered your intentions of studying manned interplanetary missions using advanced trajectories.

In order to being out the value of new trajectory profiles for these missions I have studied conventional Earth-Mars, Mars-Earth and Earth-Venus, Venus-Earth profiles. In particular the minimum energy of Venus-Earth and Mars-Earth trajectory characteristics were determined. I thought that you may like to see them.

Sincerely,

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