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Dear Professor Chandru,

I am sorry you have not heard from me until now. We have installed a new email/IT system and a number of messages were lost in the process. I just received your message upon return from China.

To write a meaningful message contributing to reflection and discussion in the field of grassroots application of science and technology as inspired by the life long work of an eminent personality like Amulya Reddy is, of course, not a simple task.

Looking back in time, I would say that Amulya Reddy's vision on development, his concerns about the destructive impact of poverty, ignorance, and hunger in people's lives, were so powerful and influential in the energy and environment nexus research orientation that I was engaged in at that time. This vision, of course, helped me to expand my analysis and scientific interest, which started during the time I had the privilege to meet him in 1980, when we both spent some time at the Center for Energy and Environmental Studies at Princeton University

At the same occasion when I meet Dr. Reddy for the first time, I also meet two other scientists, Robert Williams and Jose Goldemberg whose personalities and scientific work turned out to be remarkable. That was a propitious opportunity to initiate a collaboration that led to a life long and fruitful friendship with all of them.

For the purpose of this seminar I hope that Amulya Reddy will concur with me that his basic principle: setting good examples is the best sermon. This represents a corner stone of his extremely rich legacy. Example and commitment are great source of inspiration and wisdom; as such, his pioneering work and dedication to improve individual and collective life standards in Pura and other villages, and ASTRA, are consistent testimonies of Amulya Reddy's character.

I have often heard Amulya Reddy saying: "think globally, act locally". This he has demonstrated, and gone beyond. There is a clear line in his contributions from Pura and ASTRA expanding to the world in many ways, including through the book Energy for a Sustainable World that Amulya discusses in his recent paper, through his work in the International Energy Initiative and in the China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development, through the book Energy after Rio, and the World Energy Assessment to the agreed statement by the World Summit on Sustainable Development to "take joint actions at all levels to

improve access to reliable and affordable energy services for sustainable development that are sufficient to facilitate the achievement of the Millennium development goals". This was the first statement ever by such a Summit. The world has in a way woken up to some of the challenges as these words indicate. Although there certainly has been some progress, huge tasks remain.

I would like to conclude by paying homage to a distinguish scientist, a persistent world citizen, a dear friend, who in my mind has always advanced three R:s: Respect for oneself; Respect for others; and Responsibility for all your actions. This I think is a strong legacy for his friends and colleagues.

To the organizers and participants, I am confident that you will have a rich discussion, and, above all, a rich experience in transforming the ideas into actions, following the steps of Amulya Reddy.

Amulya's leadership in these developments over decades has been outstanding!

Thank you

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Thomas B. Johansson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Thomas" and last name "Johansson" clearly legible.

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