In the past several weeks, maybe years, some of the renowned scientists all over the globe have received emails from one *Mr. Balasubramaniam K. M.*, giving the impression that these are emails on behalf of the INO project. The subject lines may mention "INO Outreach", "Black hole", etc.

INO has nothing to do with these emails. Mr. Balasubramaniam does not represent INO in any capacity, not now, not in the past. The views in his emails are not the views of INO. Mr. Balasubramaniam has been advised many times to refrain from any such activities.

INO Collaboration expresses regret that eminent scientists were subjected to these emails and for the incovenience caused to them. INO seeks their continued support.

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