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GEMINI BOARD MEETING

19 August 2019

Resolutions Arising from the 19 August 2019 Gemini Board Meeting (Teleconference)

Maunakea Operations

2019.B.1. The Board notes the difficult situation existing on Maunakea for the last several weeks, and thanks the Gemini Observatory staff for their constructive, professional, and respectful actions in addressing it. The Board also thanks the NSF and AURA for their significant efforts in working towards an equitable solution that will permit Gemini operations to resume safely.

NCOA Program Operating Plan FY20

2019.B.2. The Board agrees that the draft NCOA Program Operating Plan for FY2020 as it pertains to Gemini, is ready for submission to the NMOC for review. The Board notes that the program activities, priorities, and budget presented in the plan are consistent with its own scientific vision and budget expectations.

FY2019 Spending and FY2020 Budget

2019.B.3.a. The Board notes the reported O&M and IDF spending expectation for the final quarter (Q3) of FY19.

2019.B.3.b. The Board approves the requested O&M and IDF budgets for FY2020 as follows:

	US\$
Operations & Maintenance (Oct 1,2019 – Sep 30, 2020)	29,840,160
Instrument Development Fund ((Oct 1,2019 – Sep 30, 2020)	9,583,323
Total (Oct 1,2019 – Sep 30, 2020)	39,423,483

2019.B.4. The Board endorses the backfilling proposal, which will use approximately \$2 million of the forecast O&M carryforward funds to hire three additional staff for a five-year period, and emphasizes the priority and urgency of hiring sufficient staff generally, given the challenging plan that the observatory has put forward in the Program Operating Plan.