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Mr. Sergey Naryshkin
Speaker of Russian Parliament

Dear Mr. Naryshkin

The Russian Academy of Sciences has a very distinguished tradition.

I hope that in your plans for the future you take advice from true leaders of Russian science and Russian Academy.

I come from a country (Argentina) where excessive interference of political authorities has greatly undermined our scientific institutions stimulating the best young scientists to emigrate to other countries with better conditions for scientific research. Hope very much that the planned changes of Russian science will not affect the independence and scientific significance of Russian science and Russian Academy to the benefit of the science worldwide.

Sincerely yours,



Juan Maldacena

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