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To: VSoE Faculty and Staff

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Date: January 13, 2010

Subject: VSoE Research Innovation Fund Awards

Dear VSoE Faculty,

I am pleased to report that the following projects, submitted in response to the fall 2009 call for proposals for the VSoE Research Innovation Fund (RIF), have been supported:

--Is the Current Dominant Aircraft Design Configuration Optimal?
Geoffrey R. Spedding

--The First Workshop on Imperfect/Approximate Digital Circuits and Systems
Melvin A. Breuer

--New Directions in Emotional Speech Production: Modeling of Co-modulation of Articulatory Gestures and Speech Prosody
Sungbok Lee

We look forward to the next round of proposals, planned for spring 2010. Congratulations to all!

Maja J Mataric
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