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Other highlights last year include the award of the Nobel Prize in Physics 2019 to A&A authors, Michel Mayor and Didier Queloz, "for the discovery of an exoplanet orbiting a solar-type star". The 'Planck 2018' special issue was published in free access and the full 50th anniversary film was released on YouTube (<http://bit.ly/2OJVV3x>). Finally, the 5th Scientific Writing for Young Astronomers workshop took place recently in Kunming, China, getting the new year off to a fantastic start.

Thanks to your efforts, *Astronomy & Astrophysics* is proud to remain one of the leading journals in the field of astronomy and astrophysics. We hope that you will display the enclosed posters in your office or department to celebrate your personal contribution to A&A. We look forward to further collaboration and success in 2020.

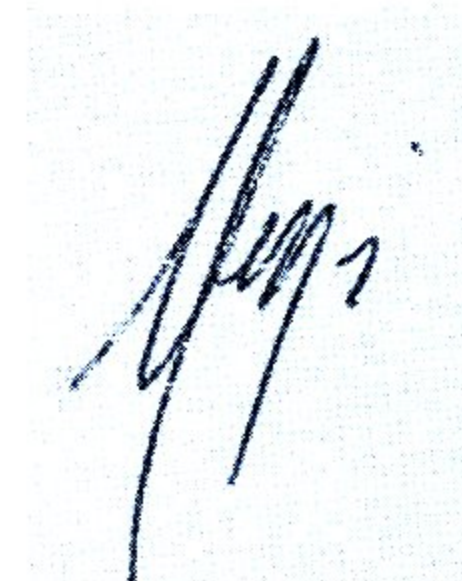
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