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Dear Committee,

With this letter of recommendation, I am pleased to wholeheartedly endorse the application of Yousef Emami.

I am a Senior Lecturer at the University of Portsmouth since 2021. I met Yousef Emami in the fall of 2013 when I joined Shiraz University of Technology as a Master student. Yousef is a highly motivated individual with an exceptional level of attention to detail, Yousef successfully completed his PhD at the University of Porto, where he worked as a researcher at CISTER Research Center. CISTER is one of the leading European research units in its area and is also one of the pillars of the PDEEC Joint Doctoral Program in Electrical and Computer Engineering at FEUP, where the applicant was enrolled.

As a researcher, he has a deep understanding of the responsibilities that come with his role and is constantly striving to expand his knowledge. His tireless commitment to achieving high-quality results is commendable. In addition, Yousef has made important contributions on several articles, which demonstrate his ability to quickly identify interesting and relevant open research problems.

Having had the opportunity to observe Yousef's performance in various stage of our friendship, I can confidently affirm his strong grasp of the foundational concepts essential for research in the field of deep reinforcement learning techniques for embedded and real-time computing systems. His topic is very relevant, given the increasing adoption of UAVs-assisted sensor networks.

For all these reasons, I firmly believe that granting Yousef a position would be a well-deserved acknowledgment of his accomplishments. I wholeheartedly endorse his application and am available to provide any additional information that may be requested.

Sincerely,

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