DECLARATION OF ALBERTO ABAD GARETA

I, Alberto Abad Gareta, declare the following to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief:

1. I am an Assistant Professor at the Department of Computer Science and Engineering of Instituto Superior Técnico (IST) in Lisbon, Portugal, and Researcher at INESC-ID Lisboa, Portugal.

2. I am not being compensated for this declaration.

3. I received a Ph.D. degree from the Universitat Politècnica De Catalunya (UPC) in Barcelona, Spain in 2007.

4. My Ph.D. Thesis was titled "A Multi-Microphone Approach to Speech Processing in a Smart-Room Environment." A copy of my Thesis is attached hereto as Appendix A, which is found in the Tesis Doctorals en Xarxa (TDX) repository via the following URL: https://www.tdx.cat/handle/10803/6906#page=1.

5. I began preparing my Thesis in 2006 and exchanged drafts of my Thesis with my advisor, Francisco Javier Hernando Pericás, until I was content with the state of my Thesis.

6. Thereafter, I submitted my Thesis to two external reviewers that provided me with additional feedback.

7. Based on this feedback, I then finalized my Thesis, as reflected in the copy attached hereto as Appendix A. I recall that there were only minor differences between the draft I submitted to the external reviewers and the final draft of my Thesis.

8. As was the normal process for Ph.D. Thesis papers at UPC, my Thesis was then deposited with the Doctoral School of the UPC so that others could access, review, and comment on my Thesis.

9. After my Thesis was deposited, I defended my Thesis on June 29, 2007, which was open to the public.

10. Shortly after I defended my Thesis, I submitted a copy of my Thesis to TDX's open-access institutional repository, where it was made available online for others to download.

11. Based on my recollection and knowledge of the thesis process at UPC, it is my belief that my Thesis was made generally available to the public no later than the end of the 2007 year.

Therefore, I declare that the foregoing is true and correct and that any statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true and correct.

Executed on January 18, 2022

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Alberto Abad Gareta

Appendix A

PhD Thesis

A MULTI-MICROPHONE APPROACH TO SPEECH PROCESSING IN A SMART-ROOM ENVIRONMENT

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