Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope (Roman) Science Interest Group

Terms of Reference (TOR)

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The *Roman* Science Interest Group (RSIG) will provide broad-based community input to the *Roman* project and NASA headquarters. Its primary purpose is to assist NASA in ensuring that the interests of the scientific community are served by the *Roman* project in planning for and executing *Roman* development and operations.

Members of the RSIG are appointed by the *Roman* Project Scientist (or designee) with concurrence from the *Roman* Program Scientist. There will be regular calls to the community for committee member nominations and self-nominations. Approximately a dozen members from diverse science communities and external to the project shall, along with ex officio appointees, constitute the RSIG, eventually with staggered terms of three years. A reasonable effort will be made to achieve a diverse group incorporating a variety of perspectives, including science focus and demographic, institutional, and career stage breadth present in the wider astronomical community. RSIG members are expected to represent the community's diverse views, and therefore are expected to solicit actively those views from their colleagues.

The chair is appointed from among the RSIG members by the *Roman* Project Scientist (or designee) with concurrence from the *Roman* Program Scientist. The chair will serve as an exofficio member of the *Roman* Formulation Science Working Group (FSWG), and will be the principal conduit between the RSIG and the FSWG. These TOR may be revised after the completion of the FSWG, and NASA may elect to expand the RSIG membership as the project evolves.

The RSIG will provide input to the *Roman* project and NASA HQ on the structure of future science team and investigation calls; user support functions and resources across the *Roman* project; considerations for defining and conducting the science program, including time allocation; and other science needs as requested by the project or program.

The RSIG shall report to the *Roman* Program Scientist and the *Roman* Project Scientist. The RSIG is expected to meet in person two times per year, with biweekly virtual meetings as needed. Minutes of the RSIG meetings, as well as presentations, reports and recommendations will be made public by posting on a RSIG area of the *Roman* project website. Agendas of meetings shall be posted well in advance of meetings to encourage input from the community at any time.