

INSTRUCTIONS TO AUTHORS FOR THE PREPARATION OF PAPERS FOR THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE 3RD INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON “FORMATION FLYING, MISSIONS AND TECHNOLOGIES”

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ABSTRACT

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Sample References

- [1] Johnson N. L. and McKnight D. S., *Artificial Space Debris*, Orbit Book Company, Malabar, Florida, USA, 1991.
- [2] Grün E., et al. Collisional Balance of the Meteoritic Complex, *ICARUS*, Vol. 62, 244 – 272, 1985.

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