Editor's Comment:

I have read the summary of the refereeing progression as well as the individual referee reports, and also made a brief inspection of the initial and final versions of the abovementioned manuscript.

After two revision rounds, the author fully satisfied 3 out of 5 referees who now recommend publication. The 4th referee (HES) stated in his first report "**Work is good but needs a revision of its English language**". The author made grammatical improvements in both revisions, as well as addressing specific issues HES raised, in a 3rd revision. In my opinion the final version still suffers from some awkward phrasing and grammatical issues, but not to the extent of creating a barrier to comprehension. Having largely met the standard set by referee 4 as well, that only leaves the 5th referee (VLA). But the objections raised in his comments on the original manuscript were somewhat superficial and non-specific, and he declined to be further involved with later revisions.

My decision therefore is to concur with the majority evaluation and accept the manuscript for publication in Physical Science International.

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