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**Enclosed Challenge for the 33<sup>rd</sup> America's Cup**

Dear Commodore,

Attached is a *bona fide* challenge from Circolo di Vela Gargnano (CVG) made under similar terms as the Notice of Challenge submitted by Golden Gate Yacht Club (GGYC) on July 11, 2007. CVG respectfully requires to be accepted as a legitimate Challenger for the 33<sup>rd</sup> America's Cup. CVG submits its challenge in the hope that, as contemplated by the Deed of Gift, the Challenger of Record will organize Challenger Selection Series and will open its challenge to other Challengers to preserve this competition as a friendly competition between nations.

CVG is fully prepared to meet all the obligations of the Challenger, as provided by the letter and spirit of the Deed of Gift, in accordance with the history and tradition of the oldest trophy in international sport.

Sincerely,

Lorenzo Rizzardi  
President  
Circolo di Vela Gargnano



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### **Notice of Challenge for the 33<sup>rd</sup> America's Cup**

Dear Commodore,

It is with much pleasure that the Circolo di Vela Gargnano (CVG) hereby formally challenges Société Nautique de Genève (SNG) to a match for the America's Cup.

This Notice of Challenge is given in accordance with the America's Cup Deed of Gift dated 24 October 1887 between George L Schuyler and the New York Yacht Club as amended by Orders of the Supreme Court of the State of New York dated 17 December 1956 and 5 April 1985.

We are pleased to confirm that CVG:

- (a) is incorporated in Gargnano, Italy ;
- (b) maintains a membership of more than 250 members;
- (c) operates as a yacht club and has objectives consistent with the furtherance of yachting activities;
- (d) is a member of our national sailing authority, the Italian Sailing Federation; and

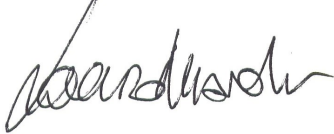
(e) has an annual regatta, the Cento Cup that, among other CVG regattas, is and has been held annually on a arm of the sea, namely Mediterranean Sea in Trapani, Italy.

We shall of course accept the race dates and venue set by the Challenger of Record and the Defender under the Deed of Gift or by mutual consent provided that we would favour a match in the Northern Hemisphere (the Hemisphere where the Challenger of Record, the Defender and ourselves are based).

We acknowledge that the Deed of Gift contemplated negotiations between the Challenger and the Defender and nothing in this Challenge is intended to circumvent consensual negotiations in the spirit of the Deed of Gift toward a Protocol.

Also in accordance with the requirement of the Deed of Gift, attached is the Certificate as to the name, rig and specified dimensions of the challenging vessel. The “Custom House” registry of the challenging vessel will be sent as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lorenzo Rizzardi', written in a cursive style.

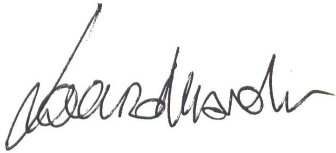
Lorenzo Rizzardi  
President  
Circolo di Vela Gargnano

**CERTIFICATE  
OF NAME, RIG AND SPECIFIED DIMENSIONS OF  
CHALLENGING VESSEL**

I, President Lorenzo Rizzardi, certify the details set out below as to the name, rig and specified dimensions of the challenging vessel to represent Circolo di Vela Gargnano in a match for the America's Cup to be sailed in accordance with the Notice of Challenge herewith:

1.     **Name:** Green Comm Challenge
2.     **Owner:** Green Comm Challenge
3.     **Rig:** Single-masted, sloop-rigged
4.     **Dimensions:**
  - (a)    Length on Load Waterline – 90 feet
  - (b)    Beam at Load Waterline – 90 feet
  - (c)    Extreme Beam – 90 feet
  - (d)    Draught of water (hull draft) – 3 feet
  - (e)    Draught of water (boards down) – 20 feet

For the **Circolo di Vela Gargnano**



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**Lorenzo Rizzardi, President**