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Dear Dr. [REDACTED],

I am writing on behalf of [REDACTED] University to clarify your relationship with us. This letter also serves to officially address some concerns and specific questions raised by you and your institution, regarding the incorrect and misleading information of your profile listed on an old [REDACTED] website which wasn't approved by you.

Here I confirm that you have been an honorably invited guest professor since [REDACTED] but do not possess any official faculty position or employment at [REDACTED] University. For detailed information of official statement and certification of your role and relationship with [REDACTED] University, please see the officially sealed letter attached.

Regarding the incorrect and misleading information of your profile listed on an old [REDACTED] website, we take the full responsibility for any trouble that may have caused you and your institution. We sincerely apologize that this profile website was created and online without your approval.

I would like to take this opportunity to explain and clarify the issues related to that website. The website with your profile (in Chinese) that you took snapshot and sent that to us appeared to be an old out-of-date Chinese version of introduction of you to Chinese graduate students. The purpose of this Chinese website is merely and only used for a specific occasion promoting the recruitment of graduate students as you are one of our honorable visiting/guest professor who is a world renowned [REDACTED]. We apologize again that it wasn't approved by you and contained incorrect and misleading information that had caused confusion regarding your official role and relationship with us. In particular, in the talented award section, "[REDACTED] Award" is misspelled and that meant to be "[REDACTED] Award" which was issued by [REDACTED] foundation in [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] Award" for the year [REDACTED] was an honor award issued by the university on the behalf of [REDACTED] to recognize your major contribution to the [REDACTED] field. This is not the highly competitive "Chinese Thousand Talented Program" which you were not eligible to apply.

In response to your concerns regarding some Chinese phrases used in the aforementioned Chinese website, Here I would like to specifically note and clarify that some Chinese phrases for

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your title used in the website is incorrectly translated by your institute personnel. Here is our office translation, "[REDACTED]"---"Honorably Invited Guest Professor"; "[REDACTED]"---"Honorably Invited Guest Professor by both [REDACTED] [REDACTED]". The Chinese character [REDACTED]" in the phrase in this occasion should not simply translated as "double employed.." but more relevant for "honorably invited by both.". The another attached and officially sealed letter from the [REDACTED] should clarify this confused issue.

Finally, I also would like to update you what immediate action we have taken to resolve these issues raised in our previous communications. To avoid further confusion and misunderstanding, I have authorized our public communication department to remove that old Chinese website permanently. However, this may happen immediately or take a while to complete. We apologize if any delay may occur. Also, per your request, I assure you that we will not list your profile online again without your authorization.

I hope that this letter and the companion letters will adequately address your concern and the questions raised by your institution. Should you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me again.

Best Wishes,

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