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Subject: Permission to Place IEEE Milestone Plaque on "The Abacus" on ICT Property

To whom it may concern:

This letter, which is submitted as part of the nomination material for the IEEE Milestone "The Abacus", gives permission to place the proposed IEEE milestone plaque on the site of the Institute of Computing Technology of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (hereafter ICT), 6 Kexueyuan Nan Road, Haidian District, Beijing, China 100190. It is understood that the plaque will be cast bronze, approximate 24 inches by 20 inches, and will include and engraved citation describing the milestone achievement. It is also understood that the plaque needs to be mounted in a place which is accessible to the public. Therefore, it is expected that the plaque location will be the square outside front door of the ICT building.

ICT was founded in 1956. It is the first academic establishment to specialize in comprehensive research on computer science and technology in China. The ICT has successfully built China's first general-purpose digital computer and now has turned itself into an R&D base for high-performance computer technology. It is also the place where China's first general-purpose CPU chip was born. With the development of science and technology, the ICT successively spun off many academic institutions, such as the Institute of Microelectronics, the Computing Center, the Institute of Software, the Network Information Center, etc. all affiliated to the Chinese Academy of Sciences, as well as high-tech companies, such as Lenovo and Dawning. Over the past 50 odd years, the ICT has scored a remarkable success in scientific research and in creating scientific and technological achievements. For example, of the 7,000+ remarkable achievements in the Chinese history that lasts thousands of years, four achievements are done by ICT.

Sincerely

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