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Ms. Biyu Liu, PhD Associate professor Department of Logistics, School of Economics and Management, Fuzhou University 2 Xueyuan Road, Fuzhou 350116 P.R.China

Date: December 6, 2018

Dear Dr. Liu,

It is my immense pleasure to invite you (female, born on Sept. 5, 1981, associate professor of Fuzhou University) as a visiting scholar to conduct research in major of Industrial Logistics at Lulea University of Technology (LTU) for 1 year (from April 2019 to April 2020).

I am pleased to inform you that I will provide necessary resources to support your research at LTU during your visit. However, this offer of acceptance is contingent upon your successfully obtaining financial support from your country. It is my understanding that the financial support will cover your one round-trip international airfare, necessary health insurance, and a stipend.

Based on our numerous communications and coordination, I am aware of and also confident that your extensive research experience and expertise in logistics and supply chain management have enabled you to produce significant results in this research area. As a young scholar, working now at Fuzhou University, your published research papers, our regular communication and conversations in English as well as your previous research experience gained in Sweden have convinced me that you have more than sufficient skills in written and oral English in order to complete the necessary tasks of the collaborative research program at LTU, which will certainly be of mutual benefits to our two universities. I am certain that the research experience and skills to be gained at LTU will provide you with a unique opportunity to further advance your academic career in the near future.

I will collaborate with you and supervise your research at LTU. It is our mutual understanding that you will return to China after the completion of your visit according to original program contract requirements.

Should you have any questions about this invitation, please contact me by email at <u>athanasios.migdalas@ltu.se</u> or by phone at +46 (0)920 493471.

Sincerely,

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