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Dear President Ma Huaide,

On behalf of the entire Chuo University community, I would like to congratulate all of you on the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of China University of Political Science and Law.

It is our great honor to share a partnership with your outstanding and prestigious University, and I am grateful that our academic collaboration and exchange have been progressing well.

The exchange between our Universities started when Professor Zhang Jinfan (张晋藩先生) came to Chuo University as a guest professor in 1982, just 4 years after the Treaty of the Peace and Friendship between our two countries came into effect. When Sanada Yoshiaki (眞田芳憲) – Professor of the Faculty of Law and then Director of the Institute of Comparative Law in Japan at Chuo University – visited China in 1992, he had a conversation with Professor Zhang Jinfan, the Vice President of your University at that time about an exchange agreement between the Institutes of Comparative Law at each University. In 1993, an academic exchange agreement was signed by the two Institutes of Comparative Law, and then in 1996 an agreement was signed by the two Universities as well.

This cooperative relationship has brought many results, such as joint research projects and the publication of books. In particular, "中国法制史" translated into Japanese and published by our University (written by Zhang Jinfan, supervised by Sanada Yoshiaki, 1993 and 1995), and "21世纪日本法的展望" published in Chinese by your University (edited by Nakanishi Yuzo (中西又三) and Hua Xia (华夏), 2012), are major contributions to the legal societies of both countries, resulting from the exchange between our two Institutes. Based on such research exchange, your University has sent many excellent students to Chuo. It is our great pleasure to accept them, and we believe that these exchanges are contributing to the future of both countries.

In closing, and acknowledging your great contributions to the advancement of academic research and education, let me convey the very best wishes of the Chuo University Community to China University of Political Science and Law. We send you our most sincere hopes for continued cooperation, success and prosperity.

Sincerely yours,

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