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Professor Qiu Yong President Tsinghua University

By email: zhangli22@tsinghua.edu.cn

Dear President Qiu Yong

Thank you very much for your kind invitation for King's College London to participate in the Global Forum of University Presidents 2021 at Tsinghua's anniversary celebrations. Regrettably I am unable to participate due to prior commitments, but I wish you every success with the Global Forum.

It is my great pleasure, on behalf of King's College London, to send Tsinghua University our very best wishes on this joyful occasion of your 110th anniversary. Tsinghua University is a widely respected higher education institution in China and in the world. During your long history, Tsinghua has significantly contributed to education and research and as you celebrate this important anniversary, you have every reason to be proud of the university's past and exciting future.

Tsinghua University is a much-valued partner of King's College London. In the past few years, the two universities have been establishing promising collaborations in many areas, collaborating in joint research, joint education programmes, as well as student and staff mobility. In 2016 our Faculty of Arts & Humanities was honoured to be invited by Tsinghua to be one of the founding members of the China-UK Humanities Alliance.

As universities committed to addressing global problems, Tsinghua University and King's College London have much in common. Our researchers have been contributing to advancing knowledge in many areas, and we have also been innovating in education. Tsinghua adapted very quickly to online delivery of teaching and we admire your ambition to launch the first national integrated online platform for a global audience.

Please accept our heartfelt congratulations for the 110th anniversary of Tsinghua. We wish every success in your journey to the future and look forward to fruitful collaborations between our two universities.

Yours sincerely

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