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Professor Tommy Koh,
Chairman of the Centre for International Law,
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Dear Professor Tommy Koh,

I noticed that the COVID-19 is developing quite rapidly in Singapore recently. I'm very much concerned about it and would like to, on behalf of the Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs (CPIFA) and in my own name, express our sincere sympathy and solidarity to you.

Since the outbreak of the epidemic in China, under the strong leadership of President Xi Jinping and the Chinese government, the Chinese people have stood up to fight against the epidemic. We have also received heart-felt sympathy, support and assistance from many countries and friends all over the world including Singapore, which we really appreciate and will always bear in mind. We truly feel for Singapore as you see the epidemic spreading in the country.

Under the current situation, with the rapid spread of COVID-19 globally, it is of vital importance for nations to cooperate to deal with the public health emergency. Please be assured that at this hard moment, we stand firmly with you and will work together with you to combat the difficulties. I believe that the Singaporean people will be able to overcome this great challenge and win the battle against

the COVID-19 finally, and the relations between our two countries will be further developed.

I hope the pandemic will end soon.

With my warm regards,

Handwritten signature of Wang Chao in black ink, consisting of two characters: '王' (Wang) and '超' (Chao).

Wang Chao

President

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