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Sam Dunning

2 October 2024

By email only to: info@ukctransparency.org

Dear Sam,

I write further to your request for information, below, made on 4 September 2024 under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, and to my colleague Ms Nicola Young's acknowledgement of 6 September 2024.

Having consulted my colleagues, I am now able to provide the following response to your request.

Please provide:

1. The number of visits to China in the last 18 months by the Vice-Chancellor (or equivalent), any pro-VC (or equivalent), dean international (or equivalent), or any other executive-level staff (not academic or research staff).

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2. Please, for each visit, state the role of the staff member(s) who went, and a list of meetings/itinerary.

Visit 1 travel itinerary:

Date: 27th May – 1st June 2023

Role: Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Global Engagement and Student Life)

Purpose: Partnership Visit

Saturday 27th May 2023: Depart – London Heathrow Airport

Sunday 28th May 2023: Arrive - Guangzhou Baiyun Int Airport

Monday 29th May 2023: Meeting with South China Business College Guangdong University of Foreign Studies

Monday 29th May 2023: Meeting with Guangdong University of Foreign Studies

Tuesday 30th May 2023: Meeting with, Jinan University (JNU):

Wednesday 31st May 2023: Meeting with Jilin International Studies University (JISU)

Thursday 1st June 2023: Depart - Guangzhou Baiyun Int Airport

Friday 2nd June 2023: Arrive – London Heathrow Airport

Visit 2 travel itinerary:

Date: 21st October – 29th October 2023

Role: Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education)

Purpose: Partnership Visit and China Partner Event

Saturday 21st October 2023: Depart – London Heathrow Airport

Sunday 22nd October 2023: Arrive - Beijing Daxing Int Airport
China Partner Event Rehearsal
University Team Dinner

Monday 23rd October 2023: Meeting with Ministry of Education
Meeting with British Council
University of Portsmouth 2023 China Partner Event

Tuesday 24th October 2023: Meeting with Shandong Youth University of Political Science

Wednesday 25th October 2023: Meeting with Shanghai Lixin University
Meeting with Shanghai Maritime University
Alumni dinner

Thursday 26th October 2023: Meeting with East China University of Science and Technology

Friday 27th October 2023: Meeting with Guangdong University of Foreign Studies
Meeting with South China Business College

Saturday 28th October 2023: Travel to Beijing

Sunday 29th October 2023: Depart Beijing Daxing Int Airport
Arrive London Heathrow Airport

I trust that this is the information that you require, however, if you have any queries, please feel free to contact me either by replying to the email which sends this letter, or directly by telephone on 02392 843110.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Derrick', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Nathalie Derrick
Assistant Complaints and Information Disclosure Officer