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Sam Dunning
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Date: 2 October 2024

Our ref: FOI 2024/200

Dear Sam Dunning,

Request for Information under Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

Thank you for your email which was received by the University on 4 September 2024 requesting the following information:

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

University's response

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).

A total of 3 visits by the Principal & Vice Chancellor and the Vice Principal.

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

Please see details within Appendix A.

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Yours sincerely,

Appendix A – 2024-200

October 2023

Professor Sir Jim McDonald (Principal and Vice-Chancellor)

Meetings/Itinerary:

- 1) Meeting with Shandong China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT)
- 2) Meeting with Centre for Language Education and Cooperation (CLEC)

October 2023

Professor Sir Jim McDonald (Principal and Vice-Chancellor)

Meetings/Itinerary:

- 1) Meeting with Peking University (PKU)
- 2) Meeting with Tsinghua University

October 2023

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Meetings/Itinerary:

- 1) Meeting with Ministry of Science and Technology (MoST)
- 2) Meeting with Ministry of Education (MoE)
- 3) Meeting with Scottish Government Office, China

November 2023

Professor Scott MacGregor (Vice Principal)

Meetings/Itinerary:

Beijing Forum/DI-IDEA Launch Ceremony

June 2024

Professor Scott MacGregor (Vice Principal)

Meetings/Itinerary:

- 1) 20th Anniversary Celebration of the Electrical Engineering and Automation Program with Shanghai University of Electric Power
- 2) Annual Meeting of the New Champions, World Economic Forum/DI-IDEA