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Hilary Smyth
Clerk of the Standing Committee on Science and Research
House of Commons
131 Queen Street, 6th Floor
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Dear Ms. Smyth,

The University of Calgary (UCalgary) appreciated the March 21, 2023, opportunity to appear before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Science and Research (SRSR) under the Committee's study on Support for the Commercialization of Intellectual Property. On April 28, 2023, UCalgary also provided written responses to questions posed by Mr. Dan Mazier, MP for Dauphin-Swan River-Neepawa. I write today to clarify some of the information provided during my testimony and subsequent response.

The University of Calgary has now adopted a position of declining new projects with Huawei Canada. This is in response to the new federal government guidelines with respect to research security, the recent NSERC Alliance decisions on research partnerships, and provincial government instructions. When asked by Mr. Mazier -- Does UCalgary continue to work with Huawei at this time -- my response was no, because we are not at present embarking on any new projects. What I overlooked in providing that answer was that there are three existing projects with Huawei established in prior years. Those three projects will not be interrupted by the university, but they are coming to completion soon -- in late 2023 and early 2024.

I understand the importance of providing accurate information, and therefore felt it essential to submit this letter of clarification. I would be pleased to provide any further information as desired by the Committee.

Sincerely,

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