

**To:** [Metcalf, F](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Greetings from the Presidential office of Taiwan  
**Date:** 12 June 2019 17:06:34

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**From:** Wilson, Clive  
**Sent:** 12 June 2019 11:57  
**To:** O'Connor, D <D.O'Connor@lse.ac.uk>; Metcalf, F <F.Metcalf@lse.ac.uk>; Kelloway, C <C.Kelloway@lse.ac.uk>; Griffiths, CB <C.B.Griffiths@lse.ac.uk>; Graham1, N <N.Graham1@lse.ac.uk>  
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Hi All

fyi

Clive

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 12 June 2019 11:34  
**To:** Shih, F  
**Cc:** Wilson, Clive  
**Subject:** RE: Greetings from the Presidential office of Taiwan

Dear Both,

Thank you so much for your kind assistance and understanding.

We are sending the hardbound editions of the subject thesis tomorrow and I believe it will arrive by next week. As for the electronic copy, we will email it to you by Friday. Please only use it for the LSE internal check not for the public release at this stage as it is indeed likely going to invite more irrational speculations.

LSE is one of the leading academic institutions in the world, and any statement issued by LSE certainly carries weight by itself. We truly appreciate your assistance and help us defend President Tsai's academic credential.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Shih, F [<mailto:F.Shih@lse.ac.uk>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2019 6:12 PM  
**To:** Wilson,Clive <[CLIVE.Wilson@lse.ac.uk](mailto:CLIVE.Wilson@lse.ac.uk)>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Greetings from the Presidential office of Taiwan

Dear Clive,

Thank you. It is possible to get the electronic copy of the thesis today.

However, unfortunately, to make the electronic copy available at <http://etheses.lse.ac.uk/> with other LSE theses will not end the speculation but invite many more 'irrational' speculations from anti-Tsai's camp.

As such, is it OK only to mention the arrival of the hardbound copy of the thesis.

However, the Presidential Office is ok to send you the electronic copy now, but please only use it for the LSE internal check not for the public release. I hope you could understand the fragile situation under the irrational attack now.

Many thanks,  
Fang-long

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**From:** "Wilson,Clive" <[CLIVE.Wilson@lse.ac.uk](mailto:CLIVE.Wilson@lse.ac.uk)>  
**Date:** Wednesday, 12 June 2019 at 10:43  
**To:** "Shih,F" <[F.Shih@lse.ac.uk](mailto:F.Shih@lse.ac.uk)>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Greetings from the Presidential office of Taiwan

Dear Both

LSE is holding back a press statement in the hope we can get the (electronic copy) thesis today. Can you let me know if this will be possible please?

If we can make the electronic copy available at <http://etheses.lse.ac.uk/> with other LSE theses, we can link to it and hopefully end the speculation.

thanks

Clive

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**From:** Wilson,Clive  
**Sent:** 12 June 2019 09:56  
**To:** Shih,F  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Greetings from the Presidential office of Taiwan

Dear Both

if there is an electronic copy, we can almost certainly catalogue it from that and make it available if it is a decent copy.

A hardbound copy can be sent to me at

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It might not be a quick thing to retrieve President Tsai's student record and make the information available but I have asked if that is possible

Fang-long – are you still coming here at 10?

Clive

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**From:** Shih,F  
**Sent:** 12 June 2019 09:47  
**To:** Wilson,Clive  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Greetings from the Presidential office of Taiwan

Dear Clive,

As suggested, President Tsai Ing-wen has now given her consent for the school to the disclosure of personal information related to her PhD thesis, entitled "Unfair Trade Practice and Safeguard Actions." Please see below the permission message.

As such, please add these information in the school letter: (1)

the names of her supervisor and viva examiners; (2) upon request, the electronic and hardbound editions of her PhD thesis will arrive at the LSE library.

As such, please give the address and the name where and who to receive this thesis. Many thanks!

Dear [REDACTED],

When will the electronic and hardbound editions of her PhD thesis be posted?

How long will it take from Taiwan to the LSE?

Many thanks!  
Fang-long

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Date:** Wednesday, 12 June 2019 at 09:08  
**To:** "Wilson, Clive" <[CLIVE.Wilson@lse.ac.uk](mailto:CLIVE.Wilson@lse.ac.uk)>  
**Cc:** "Shih, F" <[F.Shih@lse.ac.uk](mailto:F.Shih@lse.ac.uk)>  
**Subject:** Greetings from the Presidential office of Taiwan

Dear Mr. Clive Wilson,

I extend my cordial greetings to you.

As you might already be aware of the recent argument with respect to the admission of Taiwan President Tsai, Ing-Wen's PhD degree awarded by LSE in 1983. We note that LSE

has taken actions to identify related documentation in this regard. On behalf of President Tsai, I would like to give consent to the disclosure of personal information in her PhD thesis, "Unfair Trade Practice and Safeguard Actions."

Further, we are able to provide both the electronic and hardbound editions of the subject thesis for the library collection upon your request. Please kindly let us know if this is feasible at your convenience.

Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Sincerely yours,



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