From:Ross.LVTo:DirectorateSubject:RE: Sub.: Tsai Ing-wen''s doctoral thesisDate:19 July 2019 09:21:26

Yes, you should forward it to Clive Wilson (<u>CLIVE.Wilson@lse.ac.uk</u>) and cc Danny O'Connor and ask them to respond directly.

Thank you, Laura

From: Directorate
Sent: 19 July 2019 09:18
To: Ross,LV <L.V.Ross@lse.ac.uk>
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Hi Laura,

Any suggestions on how to approach this email from

Best, Daniel

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From: Sent: 19 July 2019 07:02 To: Directorate <<u>Directorate@lse.ac.uk</u>> Subject: Sub.: Tsai Ing-wen's doctoral thesis

Dear Ms. Director Shafik,

Excuse me for the disturbance!

I am a law professor of the Providence University, Taiwan. As you probably know, all my compatriots have been eagerly interested in your school since weeks. Or precisely formulated: in President Tsai Ing-wen's doctoral thesis at your faculty. You don't have it, as we now know:

https://richardsonreports.wordpress.com/2019/07/04/tsai-ing-wensmissing-thesis-was-not-submitted-says-university-library/

But our curiosity isn't yet satisfied. On the contrary. A doctoral thesis is, as universally known, there to be appreciated or scrutinized by the scientific community. So there must be some copies other than in your library. Or in form of microfiche at that time. But where? As regards the docral certificate, Tsai personally had never, despite of the medial pressure, shown the original awarded by the LSE to the Taiwanese public. Until several days ago, she finally gave us a glance at an ersatz issued by the University of London: https://udn.com/news/story/6656/3936717

But it raised only more questions: No supervisor, no thesis title and no notes.

The whole story is so fishy that many believe the reality must have been something aweful: Ms. Tsai hasn't written any thesis, but the LSE still awarded her a PhD! If the belief is true, than this would be the second known scandal regarding your school ever since the Saif Gaddafi Affair. The consequence would be more devastating both for the LSE and the British higher education system.

I myself have acquired my PhD in Germany where the system unfortunately isn't exempted from scandals. They are all, so far as I know, related to plagiarism. Quite a few politicians had to go due to the diligent crowd intelligence in the Internet. But the universities concerned showed also their responsibilities when the doubts were reasonable. Ms Tsai's case could be more serious, since the thesis is nowhere to be found!

This is indeed a case for Sherlock. And I would say an enquete committee on behalf of the world-class LSE would be helpful to clear its name and eventually Ms Tsai's.

Best regards,

Sincerely,