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Dear Marcus  
Can you try to find out from the Law Department?  
Many thanks  
Rita

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Oy vey! Thanks for keeping me in the loop.

Does the PhD supervisor have a copy somewhere?

Best,  
Simon

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Dear Simon  
Just for information at this point. It's the issue I mentioned briefly earlier on  
Best  
Rita

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For information re: the thesis of the President of the Republic of China.

Dear Rita and Max,

Not sure if you feel this should be flagged up to Pro-Directors from our end but I am working on the assumption that Fiona would do this if she feels there is a reputational concern.

Thanks,  
Marcus

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Dear Fiona,

Could you or a member of your team advise on this? I would expect that there may have been queries in other parts of the School following Tsai's election as President of Republic of China and we may get more queries on this.

I am unable to answer as to why the thesis is unavailable and if the thesis is not held in either Senate House or LSE Libraries I cannot see any chance of there being any other version of it elsewhere.

The email trail between the Library and the enquirer is attached.

Thanks,  
Marcus

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Hello,

I have been looking for a PhD thesis by Ing-Wen Tsai, a alumna of LSE. Her thesis is titled "Unfair Trade Practices and Safeguard Actions" (1984), as cited in the following link.

<https://ethos.bl.uk/OrderDetails.do?uin=uk.bl.ethos.652034>

I checked with the LSE library, but I was told that the library has never carried the above-cited thesis. This confused me.

So, if possible, could you please kindly check your thesis-deposit record and let me know whether or not Tsai's PhD thesis was submitted in 1984 as a final copy as required, and whether LSE did award a PhD degree to Ing-Wen Tsai in 1984 according to your record.

Looking forward to your kind reply and thank you very much for your valuable time.

Best regards,

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