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Dear Carel,

We thank you for joining our 34th Anniversary celebration last 17 March 2016.

Your presentation on COHRED Research Fairness Initiative set the tone of the panel discussion on ensuring fairness in research collaborations. In the panel discussion as well as in the focus group discussion which ensued, we received very favorable comments and inputs from several institutions and stakeholders.

The Council commits to support COHRED's Research Fairness Initiative. As a start, we have placed RFI as a complementary agenda of the Monitoring and Evaluation Committee of the Philippine National Health Research System (PNHRS), so we can continually discuss how other institutions can subscribe to RFI.

We await the final version slated to come out by the end of this month so we can share the document to our network. The intention is to consider how the PCHRD and the key research institutions in the Philippines can begin to use and promote the use of the RFI in their own strategy and partnerships.

Thank you and best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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