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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Andi Nurrachmat, S.T., **M.T.**, **M. Eng.** has asked that I prepare this official Letter of Recommendation to support his intention to continue his study to pursue a research-based doctorate degree in engineering in your university. I do so with great enthusiasm.

I have been in acquaintance with Mr. Nurrachmat since 1995 when I just returned to the Department of Electrical Engineering, Hasanuddin University, Makassar INDONESIA - where I myself have been with since 1983 - after completing my Ph.D. Program in the United States of America. Mr. Nurrachmat was one of the Department's best students who was about to graduate at that time. He was interested in studying a SCADA system for his final undergraduate project and I was more than happy to support his project with my background in Control Engineering. Shortly after I knew him very closely, Mr. Nurrachmat graduated with a cumulative GPA of **3.08** out of **4.00**. Then I worked together with him in several projects only to find out that Mr. Nurrachmat had a great potential to be a research engineer. Naturally, he continued his study to the most prominent engineering school in our country, Bandung Institute of Technology (ITB), Bandung, INDONESIA and graduated with a Masters degree in microelectronics. Shortly after his graduation, Mr. Nurrachmat began his international career as a research engineer by taking another Masters degree in embedded system design from the University of Lugano, SWITZERLAND, in an international collaboration program called Advanced Learning and Research Institute (AlaRI).

Until recently, Mr. Nurrachmat always keeps me informed about his whereabouts, so I learned that he has been working with a wide varieties of research institutions in Indonesia, Switzerland, France and Italy. I admire his ability to work hard, his strong motivation to learn and his competence in his field. I observed that he has no difficulty what so ever to work together with his colleagues from various background and nationalities. I am very proud of this young man, and I am very happy to hear that he has planned to continue his education to pursue a doctorate degree.

Reading his academic transcripts and curriculum vitae that he sent me from Italy, I have been so thoroughly impressed by Mr. Nurrachmat's academic competence in his field, so that I wholeheartedly recommend him for any opportunity to continue his study. I strongly believe that he will complete his continuing study program without any difficulty what so ever

Should you wish to get any further information, please feel free to contact me, and I will be very happy to respond to your inquiries.

With kindest regards,

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