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### Statement of Kenneth Young

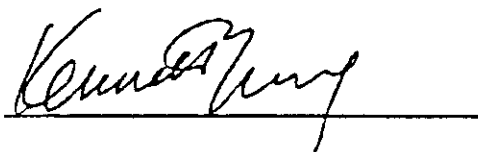
1. I, Kenneth YOUNG, a Pro-Vice-Chancellor of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, will say as follows.

#### Dinner meeting on 17 April 2006

2. I can confirm from a diary entry that there was such a dinner on that date, at the Hong Kong Club.
3. To the best of my recollection, those present included Professor Arthur Li, the Secretary for Education and Manpower, Dr Alice Lam, Mr Michael Stone, Dr Thomas Leung, Professor Paul Morris, Professor Lawrence Lau and myself.
4. I have no written record of what was discussed at the meeting, but can recollect that part of the discussion was in relation to various modes and areas of deep collaboration between The Chinese University of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Institute of Education. As the dinner occurred a year ago, I cannot be sure as to what was said and by whom.

5. I have no recollection that the question of "merger", as understood in its special meaning in Hong Kong Higher Education Integration Matters : A Report of the Institutional Integration Working Party of the University Grants Committee March 2004, was discussed. My impression is that this was not discussed.
  
6. This recollection is supported by a joint letter to the Chairman of the University Grants Committee (UGC) signed by Professor Lau and Professor Morris two days later, on 19 April 2006, which put forth the wish to explore further deep collaboration on five individual areas of deep collaboration. There was no mention of any merger proposal in that letter.
  
7. I also recall that the dinner ended cordially.

Dated the 30th day of March 2007



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