



In reply please refer to:
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Dear Professor Ma,

I would like to thank you for the valuable contribution made by your institution during the past years of designation as a WHO collaborating centre. I am pleased to inform you that the World Health Organization has redesignated the National Institutes for Food and Drug Control (NIFDC), Institute for Control of Chinese Traditional Medicine and Ethnic Medicine (ICCTMEM), as a WHO Collaborating Centre for Herbal Medicines, under WHO's reference number CHN-139.

As previously agreed, you and Professor Nie Lixing will act as Heads for the work under this collaborating centre. Should there be any change in the future, I would be grateful if you would inform WHO without delay.

The designation of the National Institutes for Food and Drug Control, Institute for Control of Chinese Traditional Medicine and Ethnic Medicine as a WHO collaborating centre will be effective for a period of four years, as from 7 April 2021, and will automatically end on 7 April 2025, unless redesignation has been approved by WHO before that date. During the period of designation, either party may revoke the designation at any time by giving three months advance notice in writing.

The designation as a collaborating centre for the current period is to complete the agreed terms of reference and workplan as
... attached.

... ENCL.: As stated.

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cc: The Honourable Minister of National Health Commission
of the People's Republic of China, Beijing
The Embassy of the People's Republic of China, Makati
The WHO Representative in the People's Republic
of China, Beijing

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We wish to emphasize that institutions designated as WHO collaborating centres are expected to implement the agreed workplan in a timely manner and to the highest possible standard of quality. Any issue that may affect the implementation of the agreed workplan should be brought promptly to the attention of the WHO responsible officer, Dr Aditi Bana, +41 22 791 2760, banaa@who.int. For information on administrative matters, please visit the WHO website <http://www.who.int/collaboratingcentres/information/en/>.

... We wish to emphasize that institutions designated as WHO collaborating centres must comply with the attached *Terms and Conditions for WHO Collaborating Centres*. We draw your particular attention to the fact that the WHO name and emblem may only be used by a WHO collaborating centre strictly as described in those attached terms and conditions.

Finally, please note that institutions designated as WHO collaborating centres must complete a short online progress report form once each year. On the anniversary of the designation date, details will be sent to the email address of the Head of the collaborating centre as specified in the designation form.

Again, I would like to express my appreciation for your past contribution and I look forward to our continuing successful collaboration.

Yours sincerely,



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