NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY

Directives for the Establishment of Raymond Soong Chair Professorships of Distinguished Research

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- Article 1 National Taiwan University (NTU or "the University") formulates the *Directives for the Establishment of Raymond Soong Chair Professorships of Distinguished Research* ("the Directives") in accordance with the "Gift Agreement of Raymond Soong Chair Professorships" (the Agreement) signed with Mr. Raymond Soong ("the Benefactor") in order to establish a system for the development and nurturing of elite talents and make NTU a world-class top university with international competitiveness and influence.
- Article 2 The funding for the Raymond Soong Chair Professorships of Distinguished Research ("the Professorships") is donated by Mr. Raymond Soong in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Agreement.
- Article 3 Candidates for the Professorship should be scholars in the fields of semiconductor and data science, sustainable and green energy, precision medicine, quantum technology, sinology, legal studies, or other related disciplines. Additionally, they must meet one of the following criteria:
 - 1. Nobel Prize laureate
 - 2. Internationally renowned heavyweight scholars

Article 4 The missions of Chair Professor appointees include:

- 1. Collaborate with the University's strategy in establishing the Asian Institute for Advanced Studies, providing academic lectures, and creating a multidisciplinary platform for top-tier exchanges to enhance NTU's academic reputation and international influence by building it as a research hub in the Asian region
- 2. Collaborate with the University's teaching and research faculty to form research teams, carry out educational or research projects, and establish connections with academic resources both domestically and internationally for facilitating cooperation and exchanges within the academic community
- 3. Engage in academic activities such as giving lectures, teaching courses, and providing guidance to graduate students in order to collectively stimulate creative research and foster a vibrant academic environment through interactive exchanges between professors and students
- 4. Effectively utilize their international academic network resources to assist the University in its internationalization efforts, promote

international exchanges and collaborations, and build a bridge to attract international academic talents to the University

Article 5 The method of nomination for Chair Professors is as follows:

Chair Professor candidates shall be nominated by the President, Executive Vice Presidents, or the academic colleges within the academic fields specified in Article 3 of the Directives, according to the submission schedule set by the University for that particular year.

During the nomination process, the nominating party shall submit a project proposal, which details the information about the candidate's curriculum vitae and academic achievements, methods for carrying out the missions mentioned in Article 4 of the Directives, budget planning, expected outcomes, and the research and administrative resources that the hosting college or unit can provide.

Article 6 The evaluation process for the Professorship is as follows:

- 1. The University shall establish a Review Committee responsible for evaluating and selecting the Chair Professor. The Review Committee shall consist of five members. The President of the University will serve as the ex officio member and act as the convener of the committee. The other four members shall be appointed as follows: one recommended by the President, the other three recommended by the Benefactor. The Benefactor may attend the committee meetings as an observer, but may not participate in the decision-making process.
- 2. Key Points for reviewing Chair Professorship candidates: The candidate's academic standing and achievements, the collaborative approach and expected outcomes in establishing a research team with faculty members, the relevance and anticipated contributions of the candidate's lectures to the development goals of the University, and relevant aspects in the planning of the project application of the Professorship.
- Deliberation Schedule: In Principle, the Review Committee shall convene at least once per quarter, but the convener may call for additional committee meetings if necessary.

Article 7 Subsidy quota and items:

- 1. Two to three Chair Professors will be awarded annually. The appointment duration and subsidy amount will be determined by the Review Committee of the Professorships.
- 2. The subsidy includes: Chair Professor's personal remuneration, firstclass airfare, accommodation during their stay in Taiwan, transportation expenses, costs related to collaborative research projects initiated or

facilitated by the Chair Professor, and expenses associated with various academic exchange activities organized by the Chair Professor during their stay in Taiwan.

- Article 8 The University or relevant departments that assist in hosting the Chair Professor shall provide appropriate research and administrative resources. Within six months after the Chair Professor's academic visit, selected items from the achieved research outcomes or related achievements suitable for public sharing shall be disclosed to domestic and foreign scholars. Upon completion of the Chair Professor's project, a final report should be prepared and submitted to the Benefactor and the Review Committee for their records.
- Article 9 Matters not addressed herein shall be subject to the applicable regulations of the University.
- Article 10 The Directives shall be passed by the Administrative Meeting and then implemented on the date of promulgation.