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Professor David P Mellor, OBE

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Dear Sir,

Statement of Gratitude

Kailash Prasad Neupane, Advocate, (USTTI/UKTA 07-384-e-LLM Award) Student of LLM Information Technology and Telecommunications Law, 2007-2009

When I was a student of final year of LLM in Commercial Law at Tribhuvan University (T.U.) of Nepal in 1999, I decided to join Nepal Telecommunications Authority (NTA). NTA was just established as a statutory, independent and autonomous regulatory body in telecom service sector in Nepal. I used to feel uncomfortable with technical terms of the sector. Having a traditional concept and background in law I had joined a quite different field and tried to understand the technical knowledge and be familiar with the field. In order to grasp the knowledge and transfer techno-legal understanding to the law society it was quite challenging. One of the hardest job is to explain technical know-how in front of learned judges (who are not familiar with the technical terms) of the court during the course of case hearing. I was learning myself and also searching for the institutions which could provide financial assistance for further study. The dream came true when the USTTI newsletter of January 2007 declared scholarship for e-LLM on Information Technology and Telecommunications Law. Professor David P Mellor, OBE, Chairman, United Kingdom Telecommunications Academy has announced one scholarship (for tuition fee) to the applicant from the LDCs. I applied for such scholarship and was selected. If I had not been selected for such grant it was not possible to undertake IT and Telecom Law course and achieve the degree of LLM. I am deeply obligated to express my grateful thanks to Professor David, UKTA and USTTI.

I spent two years of on-line study in Glasgow Graduate School of Law, at University of Strathclyde, UK. I found excellent and helpful tutors, ample resources for study materials, and well informed staffs. There is no room of complain during the course of study.

I am graduating in November 2009 which will be my great achievement because I succeeded to complete LLM in time despite my heavy office job. I am proud to be first IT and Telecom lawyer with academic profile in Nepal. After completing the degree course in such subject I feel my duty of expansion of the knowledge which I acquire by publishing articles or sharing ideas in any ways within the legal profession in Nepal. I would feel success if I could contribute the nation on IT and communication related national legislations and policy by advising government to reform policy, legal and regulatory mechanism at par with an International standard.

So, I thank you and your academy for your kind help and a contribution even though that would be minor to you but it is great for me, my office and my country. Last but not least I again request to you for continuing such help to the deprived society for personal and country's advantage.

Sincerely yours,

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