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Mr. Chan Shi Shi, Supervisor  
Chung Hwa High School  
Muar.

Dear Sir,

I am surprised to learn that my application for extension of my Visit Pass can not be granted because the Immigration Office has not received support of the Ministry of Education.

I have thought day and night over the matter and tried to find out the reason. I am a Christian of good character and a competent teacher of English, history and geography. I have done my duty to the best of my ability for the past two years. But I can not find out the reason that the Ministry of Education does not support me.

I wonder if I have offended Mr. Chan Yu-chuan, inspector of the Education Office, Johore Bahru. Last year when the inter-school examination took place at this school he saw me dressed in pyjamas reading newspapers upstairs near the examination hall. It seemed impolite that that a teacher was dressed in that way before a government officer. Mr. Chan might also be displeased when he saw me reading newspapers without helping to disperse the students that crowded in front of the examination hall.

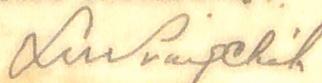
To make you understand the fact I had better say a few words in the way of explanation.

On the day the examination took place it was holiday. I was staying in my house with pyjamas on. First I did some reading, then I felt tired and went out for a walk. I happened to come to the school building. Suddenly I thought of reading newspapers, so I went upstairs. I thought I was quite far away from the examination hall and I would not cause any inconvenience to the examination. Meanwhile I never thought that there were many students crowding there. But I knew that several teachers were appointed to maintain order though I was not one of them and they would not allow them to remain there. Suddenly I heard Mr. Chan speak angrily and the students dispersed. Since the students had been ordered to clear out and began running away I thought everything was in order, so I remained reading the newspaper. I am afraid that Mr. Chan might think me to be a man with the hands in the sleeves to look on. As a matter of fact, I had not the least idea of leaving the thing unnoticed. However, I admit it was my negligence and I am prepared to apologize to Mr. Chan at any time he may appoint. You may know that I have a family to support and it will be very hard for a refugee like me. I sincerely hope that Mr. Chan will be generous enough to forgive me.

The above-mentioned is only what I guess. Maybe there other reasons which up to now I have not been able to find out. I have worked here for two years and have never committed any error. I hope you will be kind enough to say a few good words for me.

Thanking you for the trouble you are taking for me, I am

Yours faithfully,



Liu Ping Chih.