Arrangement between

the State Secretariat for Migration of the Federal Department of Justice and Police of the Swiss Confederation

and the

Exit and Entry Administration of the Ministry of Public Security of the People's Republic of China

on

the identification of alleged Chinese citizens with irregular stay in Switzerland

In order to strengthen the bilateral cooperation against irregular migration, the State Secretariat for Migration acting on behalf of the Federal Department of Justice and Police of the Swiss Confederation (hereafter referred to as the Swiss side) and the Exit and Entry Administration of the Ministry of Public Security of the People's Republic of China (hereafter referred to as the Chinese side), have agreed as follows:

- 1. The Swiss side will invite Chinese experts to assist the Swiss side in the identification of alleged Chinese citizens with irregular stay in Switzerland.
- 2. To this end, the Swiss side will send an invitation to the Chinese side for two Chinese experts to travel to Switzerland temporarily to assist the Swiss side in identifying the nationality and identity of the persons mentioned in paragraph 1. The Chinese side will select two experienced experts from the Ministry of the Public Security Administration management according to the requirements of the Swiss side. Their respective time for each mission in Switzerland shall not exceed two weeks.
- 3. The Chinese experts will be invited as experts without official status. According to the arrangements made by the Swiss side, the experts will interview the alleged Chinese citizens with irregular stay, evaluate the likelihood of them being Chinese citizens, and submit a report on the result of each individual interview to the Swiss side at the end of their mission in Switzerland. The Swiss side will submit to the Chinese Embassy in Switzerland the verification requests regarding the

nationality and identity of the persons to be returned to China together with the report of the Chinese experts.

- 4. At the end of each expert group's mission, the two sides may jointly assess the mission's results. The two sides may also agree to increase their exchanges in the fields of migration and exit and entry control and develop further cooperation.
- 5. Information and documents obtained from one party that are internal or not convenient to disclose shall be kept confidential by the other party, particularly data related to the identity of the Chinese experts and the content of the report obtained by the Chinese experts. During the entire aforementioned process, personal data may only be used for the purpose intended in this Arrangement. At his or her request, any person shall be informed by the Swiss side about all data relating to himself or herself as well as about its intended use. The disclosure of personal data to third parties is prohibited without the authorization of the party providing the information.
- 6. The specific modalities for implementing this Arrangement are set out in the attachment.
- 7. This Arrangement takes effect from the date of its signature and is valid for 5 years. Modifications and additions can be accepted based on mutual written agreement by both sides. Disputes relating to the implementation and interpretation of this Arrangement will be resolved through mutual consultations. Both the Swiss and the Chinese side may terminate this Arrangement by written notification within a six months' notice.

8. This Arrangement and the attachment are signed in duplicate, in the German, Chinese and English languages, each version being equally authentic. In case of differences in interpretation, the English text shall be used.

For the State Secretariat for Migration of the Federal Department of Justice and Police of the Swiss Confederation For the Exit and Entry
Administration of the
Ministry of Public Security of the
People's Republic of China

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Attachment

- 1. The exact duration of the mission for identification purposes of every group of Chinese experts will be determined by both sides through mutual consultation. The Swiss side is expected to send the invitation to the experts at least two months in advance. The Chinese side will respond to the Swiss invitation no later than six weeks after receiving the invitation.
- 2. The Swiss side will arrange a mission for identification purposes lasting no longer than 5 days per week, and present on each day up to 6 alleged Chinese citizens with irregular stay to be interviewed by the Chinese experts.
- 3. The Swiss side provides the Chinese experts with the following services:
- a) 200 CHF per mission day as per diem for each expert. The days of travel and the days without a mandate for identification purposes do not count as mission day.
- b) Direct flight tickets to Switzerland in economy class and mission-related travel expenses on Swiss territory.
- c) Appropriate accommodation close to the mission site, and appropriate office space and facilities, including computers with internet access, printers and telephones with the possibility to make international calls.
- d) Cost coverage for the personal medical insurance and accident insurance during the mission in Switzerland.
- e) Protection of the personal safety during the mission in Switzerland. If the safety is being threatened due to mission-related

reasons outside the hours of the assigned mandate, both sides will consult on adequate protective measures.

- f) Facilitation for the application for a Swiss visa and cost coverage for the visa fees.
- 4. The Chinese experts are allowed to contact the Chinese Embassy in Switzerland and Chinese domestic public security organs in accordance with their needs related to the mission.