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Dear Alumnus,

**Contribution to UTAR**

Greetings from UTAR!

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate all our graduands who have completed their studies and are now gainfully employed in various sectors of the industry. On behalf of UTAR, I would like to thank you all for keeping the UTARian flag flying high and contributing to the good reputation of UTARian graduates.

Just as our alumni have progressed in life, so has UTAR. As the university expands in leaps and bounds, garnering many achievements along the way from sports to academic and research, it enriches the good reputation of our graduates and thus enhancing the rate of employability of our graduates in the job market. You can say that both are synonymous, entwined in many ways.

Therefore, UTAR has always placed priority on quality and excellence in teaching and research as the way forward for the university. UTAR has transformed into a leading private university in Malaysia with nine faculties, three institutes and three centres offering more than 110 industry-relevant academic programmes to more than 26,000 students in two campuses; the UTAR Kampar Campus and the UTAR Sungai Long Campus. The consolidation of all its Klang Valley campuses to Sungai Long in June 2015 enabled UTAR to provide an improved learning environment to enhance the learning experience of our students with better library facilities, a more efficient management of resources in the building and with better security in the one-campus complex.

Our ever growing alumni strength has exceeded 40,000, and our graduates are highly sought-after as evidenced in the fact that 97% of our graduates found employment within 6 months after graduation. As UTAR gears up to be a premier university of teaching and research excellence, substantial funding and focus have been allocated to propel our research and development efforts into new heights. There are now more than 300 on-going research projects on campus providing research experience to our students and at least nine inventions being patented. Several research schemes have been allocated for current students to be involved in research, enterprise and innovation.

Since its inception, UTAR has been steadfast to be a not-for-profit private university with the ultimate goal of providing quality education affordable to all. More than 9,000 students have received financial assistance to pursue studies at UTAR. Fortunately, our noble cause is willingly
shared by thousands of individuals and organizational benefactors who have contributed generously to the university in support of our students.

Among these benefactors are those from the UTAR community including alumni like you. It is my fervent wish that you share and contribute to our noble cause for the betterment of your juniors at UTAR, the society and the country.

We welcome your support and contribution. You will find more information at www.utar.edu.my/uef/contribution.jsp.

Thank you and best regards.

Yours sincerely,

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