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- Michelle BERGADAÀ, Professor, Director of the Research Centre on Plagiarism, University of Geneva
- G. H., Chair of xx Department, xxx University
- I.J., C.D.'s doctoral dissertation Supervisor
- K. L., President of the xxx University of xxx

President,

I hereby inform you that I am victim of serious plagiarism. C. D.'s doctoral dissertation presented in 200x at xxx University, Department of xxx, plagiarized my book published in 200x. The doctoral dissertation in question is entitled xxxx (ProQuest ccc, UMI Number : cccc)

Here is information about my book, published in french:

A. B., xxxxx, 2005, Presses Universitaires de xxx (ISBN : xxxxx).

I made a paragraph-by-paragraph comparison of C.D.'s dissertation against my book. The table enclosed (attachment 1) provides several paragraphs compared, shows commonalities and proves that my book has been plagiarized. C.D.' doctoral dissertation copies several paragraphs of my book, by translating in English word-for-word my text published in French, often in the same order. Many references are similar. He therefore appropriated my data, scheme, ideas, my work.

For your information, on xx September 201x, I obtained satisfaction from the publisher of C. D.'s book entitled xxxx, drawn from his doctoral dissertation, and published in 201x. This book has since been removed from publisher website (attachment 2).

Pursuant to article XI.165 §2 of the Belgian Code of Economic Law, the author of a literary work - I, in the present case -, has an inalienable right on his work.

This plagiarism caused harms below:

- a) I am deprived of the result of many years of research;
- b) I cannot write on this topic without the need to cite C.D.'s doctoral dissertation (200x);

- c) Readers, who don't know that I am the author of the text plagiarized, cannot address me their research questions.
- d) It damages the reputation and the image of your institution which is the guarantor of his Ph.D. diploma validity.

Therefore, to repair harms caused, C. D. doctoral dissertation should be rescinded.

I am also asking the C. D.'s doctoral dissertation Supervisor or doctoral school, a letter of apology for not doing enough to control C.D.'s writing work.

A copy of the letter is provided to professor Michelle BERGADAÀ, international expert and Director of the Research Centre on Plagiarism ; professor G. H., Chair of xx Department, xxx University of the xxx University where C.D. received his Ph.D; and to I. J., the doctoral dissertation Supervisor. A copy is also provided to K. L., President of the xxx University of xxx, my institution, for legal support if it ever became necessary to go to trial.

I remain at your disposal. I am looking forward to your decision about these serious facts I have explained.

Please accept, Mr President, the expression of my highest consideration.

A. B.

Teacher, xxx University of xxx

Attachment 1 : plagiarism samples table

Attachment 2 : C.D. book editor response