Recommendation for Haohan Yuan's Conferenceship Application

Dear ACSAC Committee,

I am writing to strongly recommend my Ph.D. student, Haohan Yuan, for a conferenceship to attend ACSAC. I am his advisor here in the Computer Science department at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

Haohan is a dedicated and promising student. His research focuses on natural language processing, particularly with large language models. He has already shown he is a strong researcher by publishing his work at several well-known conferences, and I know he is ready to take his work in a new direction.

Lately, Haohan has developed a real interest in information security and how it connects to his NLP research. This new focus comes directly from his experience with today's AI models. He has come to me with very smart questions about how we can build AI systems that are reliable and safe for people to use. I am impressed by his initiative to look beyond his core field to tackle these important problems.

I believe that attending ACSAC would be a perfect next step for him. It's a fantastic opportunity to learn from experts in security, see the latest research, and figure out how his NLP skills can help solve security challenges. This is the kind of experience that will really shape his future research.

Haohan is a great student, and I'm confident that this conferenceship would be a valuable experience for him. As a local student from Hawaii, the award will help him attend the conference. I wholeheartedly support his application. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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