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Signed: Title:

Ward Beullens March 6, 2023 Ruschlikon

Date: Place:

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Signed: \\Title: Postdoc

Date: April, 17, 2023 Place: Taipei, Taiwan

2.D.3 Statement by Reference/Optimized Implementations' Owner(s)

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Date: April, 17, 2023

Place: Taipei, Taiwan

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Signed: Interior

Title: Professor

Date: May 28, 2023

Place: Beijing

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Signed:

Boru Gong

Title: Dr.

Date: May 24, 2023
Place: Shanghai, China

I, _Matthias Julius Kannwischer_, of _Institute of Information Science, Academia Sinica, No. 128, Section 2, Academia Rd, Nangang District, Taipei City, 11529, Taiwan_, do hereby declare that the cryptosystem, reference implementation, or optimized implementations that I have submitted, known as _UOV_, is my own original work, or if submitted jointly with others, is the original work of the joint submitters.

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Signed: M. Kanmisch

Title: Matthias Julius Kannwischer

Date: 01 March 2023 Place: Taipei, Taiwan

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Signed: M. Kanmish

Title: Matthias Julius Kannwischer

Date: 01 March 2023 Place: Taipei, Taiwan

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Signed: Jacques Patarin Title: University Professor

Date: May 11, 2023

Place: Saint-Rémy-lès-Chevreuse

I, <u>Bo-Yuan Peng</u>, of <u>Institue of Information Science</u>, <u>Academia Sinica</u>, <u>No. 128</u>, <u>Academia Road Sec. 2</u>, <u>Nankang</u>, <u>Taipei</u>, <u>Taiwan</u>, do hereby declare that the cryptosystem, reference implementation, or optimized implementations that I have submitted, known as <u>UOV</u>, is my own original work, or if submitted jointly with others, is the original work of the joint submitters.

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Signed: El & Bo-Yuan Peng

Title: Research Assistent

Date: May 24. 2023

Place: Institue of Information Science, Academia Sinica, No.128, Academia Road

Sec. 2, Nankang, Taipei, Taiwan

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Signed: El Story Borguen Peng.

Title: Research Assistant

Date: May 24. 2023

Place: Institute of Information Science, Academia Sinica, No.128,

Academia Road Sec. 2, Nankang, Taipei, Taiwan

I, Dieter Schmidt, of Department of Computer Science, University of Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, do hereby declare that the cryptosystem, reference implementation, or optimized implementations that I have submitted, known as <u>UOV</u>, is my own original work, or if submitted jointly with others, is the original work of the joint submitters.

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Signed: Dieter Schmidt

Title: Propessor Emeritus

Date: 5/18/2023

Place: Springboro, Ohio

I, Cheng-Jhih Shih, of <u>Academia Sinica</u>, No. 128, <u>Section 2</u>, <u>Academia Rd Taipei 11529</u>, <u>Taiwan</u>, do hereby declare that the cryptosystem, reference implementation, or optimized implementations that I have submitted, known as <u>UOV</u>, is my own original work, or if submitted jointly with others, is the original work of the joint submitters.

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Signed: Cheng-Jhih Shih Title: Mr.

Date: 2023/05/26

Place:

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Signed: Chengihih Shih Title: Mr. Date: 2023/65/36 Place: Academia Sinica

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Signed: Chengclong Tao

Title: Pr.

Date: May 26, 2023

Piace: No. 544, Hogang Kou, Beijing W1408

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Signed:

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Date: 2023.05.22

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