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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing this letter to recommend César Castro Rozo who is applying for a researcher position at the Banco Central de Colombia.

César has written the Ph.D. thesis entitled “*Three Essays on Applied Time Series Econometrics*” under my supervision at the Ph.D. program in Economics at the University of Salamanca, Spain. He defended his thesis in June 17, 2016, with the highest honors. There is no doubt that his research works are of high quality and this fact has been corroborated with the publication of two research papers in *Energy Economics* and another in *Economia Política – Journal of Analytical and Institutional Economics*.

César has not been a standard Ph.D. student since he already had a remarkable professional experience and the purpose of the thesis was to improve his professional skills. He had worked as an economic analyst for 12 years at Instituto Flores de Lemus (Carlos III University of Madrid) and for 9 months in the Division of Macroeconomic Studies at the Office of the Controller General of the Republic of Colombia. He was also project manager at the Research Center for Development at the National University of Colombia for 2 years. In addition, he was an assistant researcher and reader at the National University of Colombia when he finished his Bachelor's degree in Economics.

César is a hard-working, intelligent, perseverant, highly self-motivated and with leadership and team oriented abilities. Moreover, he has a good command of the English language. Undoubtedly, he has all the necessary skills to do any type of work of economic analysis.

Therefore, the realization of his Ph.D. thesis and his professional experience, as well as his abilities, have enabled him to be able to successfully develop new research works of high quality and with an economic policy orientation.

I recommend his to you with the highest regard, and hope you will give his application your most favorable consideration.

For further inquiries, please see my contact information below.

Sincerely,

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