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Subject: Master of Engineering Thesis of Eric Lubin

Dear Prof. Meyer:

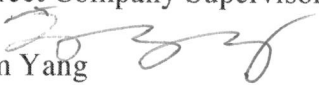
The attached Thesis Proposal Form entitled "Automating the Conversion from Virtual Machine to Docker Container" describes a research study that Eric Lubin will carry out as an MIT VI-A student using, at least in part, the facilities of VMware. Eric Lubin intends to prepare a thesis based on this VI-A assignment to be submitted as one of the requirements for the Masters of Engineering degree. We understand that, if such a report is to be acceptable to MIT, faculty regulations require that:

1. The written presentation of the work must be approved by a member of the MIT staff who can have full access (during the course of study and in confidence) to the pertinent background, methods of investigation and results.
2. Research studies and thesis topics involving subject matter (including data, results, or methods) subject to restriction for reasons of either proprietary interest or national security are unacceptable as the basis for a thesis.
3. The actual thesis document becomes the permanent property of MIT, and will be placed in the MIT Library within one month of the date of submission.
4. For the thesis to be accepted, Eric Lubin, as copyright owner must give MIT the right to reproduce and to distribute publicly the thesis. If the student has assigned the copyright to VMware, VMware agrees that MIT shall have the nonexclusive right to reproduce, publish and distribute the thesis.

We believe the proposed research can be carried out and an acceptable thesis prepared under these conditions. We understand that the thesis will not be accepted by MIT unless accompanied by a letter from an authorized official of VMware confirming that the thesis is within the approved scope, and does not contain details objectionable to VMware. A copy of the thesis will be submitted by Eric Lubin to VMware sufficiently in advance of the date of submission to permit review.

We also understand that except as noted above, and provided that Eric Lubin is not associated with any government or other sponsored project at M.I.T. in the field of the research study and does not make significant use of M.I.T. funds or facilities, all rights in the results of the research including any inventions or software developed by Eric Lubin in the course of this research study and thesis preparation, belong either to Eric Lubin or VMware as his or her assignee.

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