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Engr. Jodie Rey Fernandez

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Department of Computer Engineering

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Dear Engr. Fernandez,

Good day!

We, the undersigned researchers of the study entitled "*Automated Black Pod (Phytophthora Palmivora) Disease Detection in Cacao Pods using UAV*", respectfully submit our Pre-Survey Interview Questionnaire for your review and validation.

The purpose of this questionnaire is to gather the necessary preliminary information that will serve as a basis for our main survey and strengthen the reliability of our study. We humbly request your evaluation regarding the clarity, relevance, and appropriateness of the questions to ensure that they align with the objectives of our research.

Your expertise and guidance will greatly help us refine our instrument and guarantee that it is valid for use in data collection.

Thank you very much for your time and support. We look forward to your feedback and recommendations.

Respectfully yours,


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Noted by:


Engr. Jodie Rey Fernandez

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INFORMED CONSENT

I _____, hereby consent to participate/ be a respondent in this research titled:
“Automated Black Pod (*Phytophthora Palmivora*) Disease Detection in Cacao Pods using UAV”

I am aware that I should keep a copy of the Letter of Introduction and Consent Form for future reference

I understand that:

I am free to withdraw from the participation in this research at any time and I am free to refuse to answer particular questions

While the information gained in this study will be published as explained, I will not be identified, and individual information will remain confidential.


Data from this research will be kept under lock and key and reported only as a collective combined total. No one other than the researchers will know my individual answers to their questionnaire.

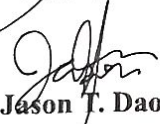
Participant's Name/Signature: _____


Date: _____


I certify that I have explained the purpose of the research to the participant and consider that he/she/they understands what is involved and liberally consents to participate.

Very truly yours,


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