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ACADEMIC EQUIVALENCY EVALUATION

Date: September 18, 2017

Name: **MARATHE, Raghunandan Jayprakash**
Country: India

Degree: Bachelor of Engineering
Institution: University of Mumbai
Date of Award: December 19, 2003

Educational Equivalent in the United States:

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

The following is an analysis and advisory evaluation of the academic credentials of Mr. Raghunandan Jayprakash Marathe. As discussed herein, Mr. Marathe completed a four-year bachelor's-level program in Computer Engineering at the University of Mumbai, in India. Based on the foregoing academic credentials, I find that Mr. Marathe attained the foreign equivalent of a four-year Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Engineering from an accredited US college or university based on the single source of the Bachelor of Engineering program completed by the candidate at the University of Mumbai.

Mr. Marathe completed post-secondary studies in a four-year bachelor's-level program in Computer Engineering at the University of Mumbai, in India. The University of Mumbai is an institution of higher education in India recognized by the University Grants Commission (UGC). Admission to the bachelors' degree programs offered by the University of Mumbai is based on the completion of secondary-level studies and competitive entrance examinations.

Mr. Marathe completed the general studies and specialized studies which lead to a Bachelor of Engineering Degree. The general studies included entry-level courses which are a requisite component of a bachelor's degree from an institution of higher education in the United States. Based on the subject matter and credit hours of these courses, most such courses would qualify as equivalent to courses in US colleges and universities.

Additionally, Mr. Marathe completed four years of advanced bachelor's-level coursework in Computer Engineering. The curriculum of the program in Computer Engineering at the

University typically includes classes and examinations in Computer Programming, Logic Design, Digital Electronics, Computer Organization, Web Technology, Data Communication, Object Oriented Programming, Data Structures, Discrete Structures, Computer Networks, Control Systems, Microprocessors and Interfacing, Systems Software, Graph Theory, Distributed Computing, Data Warehousing and Mining, Design and Analysis of Algorithms, Digital Signal Processing, Discrete Mathematics, Operating Systems, Compiler Design, Systems Programming, Mobile Computing, Computer Architecture, Software Engineering, and related subjects. Following his completion of the required classes and examinations, on December 19, 2003, Mr. Marathe was awarded a four-year Bachelor of Engineering Degree by the University of Mumbai. The nature of the courses and the credit hours involved indicate that he attained the foreign equivalent of a four-year Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Engineering from an accredited US college or university.

I note that this finding has been confirmed by the Electronic Database for Global Education (EDGE) of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admission Officers (AACRAO). According to EDGE, a Bachelor of Engineering Degree awarded by an Indian university "represents attainment of a level of education comparable to a bachelor's degree in the United States."

Accordingly, based on the reputation of the academic programs offered by the University of Mumbai, the number of years of coursework, the nature of the coursework, the grades attained in the courses, and the hours of academic coursework, it is the judgment of The Trustforte Corporation that Mr. Raghunandan Jayprakash Marathe attained the foreign equivalent of a four-year Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Engineering from an accredited college or university in the United States based on the single source of the four-year Bachelor of Engineering program completed by the candidate at the University of Mumbai.

This evaluation is based on copies of the original documents provided by Mr. Marathe and represented to be authentic and true copies of the original documents. We have no reason to doubt the authenticity and accuracy of these documents. This is a true and correct evaluation to the best of our knowledge and belief, pursuant to requirements of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services of the United States Department of Homeland Security ("USCIS"). The Trustforte Corporation is a credentials evaluation service and academic advisory firm specializing in the evaluation of foreign educational credentials. Past academic equivalency evaluations of The Trustforte Corporation have been accepted regularly by the USCIS and various US educational institutions.

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For detailed statement of qualifications and experience of evaluator, see attached resume.

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Credential Description
Awarded upon completion of four years of tertiary study beyond the Higher Secondary Certificate (or equivalent).

Credential Advice
The Bachelor of Engineering/Technology represents attainment of a level of education comparable to a bachelor's degree in the United States.

Credential Author Notes
No author notes available.
Entrance requirement: Completion of Higher Secondary Certificate or equivalent
Leads to: Further tertiary education

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EXPERIENCE

2008 -	**The Trustforte Corporation** *Evaluator and Vice President, Evaluation Services* Perform evaluations of foreign educational credentials; assess foreign academic credentials and educational systems; provide expert opinions on comparative educational credentials; direct research on foreign universities and educational systems.
2004-2008	**Trustforte Corporation** *Junior Evaluator and Manager of Credentials Research* Conduct research on foreign educational credentials equivalencies; establish recommended equivalencies for foreign degrees; provide analyses with respect to evaluation and education issues; assist clients with equivalency issues.
2004	**Brainfuse Online Instruction** *Tutor Coordinator* Recruitment and training of online tutors for private educational company
2001-2003	**The New York City Law Department** *Paralegal* Document organization and trial preparation assistance
2000-2001	**Philips Electronics North America** *Expatriate Programs Assistant* Administration of L visa and Taxpayer Identification Number applications
1998-2000	**Malaby & Carlisle LLC** *Paralegal* Assisted with defense administration in mass tort litigation

EDUCATION

University of Connecticut
Bachelor of Arts, May 1998
Major: Economics

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Working knowledge of French, Latin and Spanish