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Re: Please cooperate with the urgent measures for the outbreak of local COVID-19 infections

Dear Student,

Best wishes for your good health. My name is Gil Soo SUR, President of Yeungnam University.

First of all, I am really sorry to inform you of the urgent policy changes in student exchange program this semester again due to the unexpected regional spread of COVID-19.

As you are well aware, South Korea was regarded as a model country for preventing COVID-19 until just a few days ago. Regrettably, however, a number of confirmed patients have recently been identified in Daegu and Gyeongbuk region, where our university is located. Unfortunately, the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 infection has increased up to 18 people in just two days, which might cause serious problems in the regional defense system.

Therefore, we have made an inevitable decision this semester to ask all exchange students from our partner universities not to come. However, we promise to accept you next semester without any additional admission procedures, if you want to come.

This is an extraordinary measure taken to ensure your safety, and I am very sad not to receive you this semester. However, once again, this is inevitable policy changes that consider your safety as our top priority, and we would like to ask for your understanding.

Last but not least, on behalf of Yeungnam University, I would like to sincerely apologize to you for this policy changes caused by uncontrollable situation, and look forward to meeting you at Yeungnam University this fall.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Best regards,

Gil Soo SUR, Ph.D.

President, Yeungnam University

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