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Dear President,
Dear members of AITI,

It is with great pleasure I write to you on the Implementation Day of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) as FIT and the world welcomes Iran back into the international community.

Iran has been an international hub of translation and interpreting throughout its long and proud history. The Association of Iranian Translators and Interpreters (AITI) joined FIT back in 2003. It was with tremendous regret that world events prevented AITI from fully participating in and contributing towards FIT and the wider international translation, interpreting and terminology professions.

Nevertheless, FIT was convinced that one day AITI would be active across all aspects of the Federation. We also noted with particular encouragement AITI's expressed commitment towards contributing once sanctions are lifted. It was in such a spirit of co-operation and solidarity that FIT consistently supported AITI during these difficult times.

The world has been eagerly anticipating the renewed opportunities across diverse domains including cultural, academic and commercial ventures that Implementation Day will bring. AITI's global presence in the form of FIT membership will be a key advantage. Furthermore, members of AITI, translators, interpreters and terminologists will be key professionals of the Iranian society in ensuring the success of these new ventures.

FIT understands the particular needs at this exciting time and looks forward to supporting AITI in its professional endeavours, in particular its advocacy and visibility roles. Later this year, Havana will be the focal point of the FIT Family when I will have the tremendous honour of leading a delegation to Cuba, the first in FIT's 60+ year history. It is hoped that one day FIT will be in Tehran too.

On behalf of the entire Federation, I warmly welcome you once again and look forward to seeing AITI members playing active roles in FIT.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Henry Liu', written over a faint, light blue watermark or ghosted signature.

Dr Henry Liu
President