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Dear Ms Lucas,

I would like to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 20th July 2009. We consulted competent department on the case that you mentioned in your letter, and we would like to inform you of the following situation:

SONG ZHE
Ambassador, Head of
the Mission of
the People's Republic
of China
to the European Union

It is understood that Mr. Liu Xiaobo was charged with inciting subversion of state power, by spreading of rumors and defaming of the government. He was engaged in subversion of state and overthrowing the socialism system in recent years. He violated the Criminal Law of the People's Republic of China. The Beijing public security authority launched investigation into the case of Liu Xiaobo according to law. Liu admitted to the charges of law violation. At present, the case is under trial..

China is a country under the rule of law and the judicial organ is independent in handling cases in accordance with the law. How to deal with the case is China's internal judicial affairs. China's judicial sovereignty should be respected.

I hope this reply will clarify the misunderstandings and I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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