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# News release

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## Disciplinary Committee ordered Removal from Student Register\*

On 25 July 2019, the Disciplinary Committee of ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) found proved the following allegations against Miss Yingxi Ai, of Wuxi, Jiangsu, People's Republic of China:

### Allegations

Particular 1:

1. During an F4 (ENG) Corporate and Business Law computer based exam (CBE) on 23 December 2017:
  - a. Miss Ai Yingxi used and/or was in possession of a device capable of taking photographs which she had at or on her desk.
  - b. Miss Ai Yingxi caused and/or permitted an image or images of exam questions to be made using the device referred to at a above and/or shared the said image or images on the following platforms:
    - (i) F4 WeChat group;
    - (ii) Taobao Marketplace
  - c. Miss Ai Yingxi's conduct in respect of any or all of the matters set out at 1(a) and/or 1(b) above was:
    - (i) Dishonest in that she intended to assist another/ other exam entrants to gain an unfair advantage;
    - (ii) Contrary to the fundamental principle of integrity

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d. By reason of her conduct Miss Ai Yingxi is:

- (i) Guilty of misconduct pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(i), in respect of 1(a) and/or 1(b) and/or 1(c) above;

#### Particular 2

2. Contrary to Paragraph 3(1) of the Complaints and Disciplinary Regulations 2014, Miss Ai Yingxi has failed to co-operate fully with the investigation of a complaint in that:

a. She failed to respond at all to any or all of ACCA's correspondence dated:

- (i) 11 September 2018;
- (ii) 08 October 2018; and
- (iii) 01 November 2018;

b. By reason of her conduct in respect of any or all of the matters set out at 2(a) above, Miss Ai Yingxi is:

- (i) Guilty of misconduct, pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(i);

The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Miss Yingxi Ai be removed from the student register and to pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £4,500.

Please note that this may be the subject of an appeal.

ACCA's regulations require ACCA to publish the Committee's findings and orders by way of a news release, as soon as practicable.

*\* An order made by the Disciplinary Committee shall take effect from the date of expiry of the Appeal Period referred to in the Appeal Regulations unless the Committee directs that the order should have immediate effect*

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