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News release

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Disciplinary Committee ordered student removed*

On 27 October 2023, the Disciplinary Committee of ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) found proved the following allegations against Mr Tianhao Chen of Hangzhou, Peoples Republic of China:

Allegations

Mr Tianhao Chen (Mr Chen), a registered ACCA student:

Allegation 1

- (a) On 27 August 2020, for the purpose of withdrawing from the Strategic Business Reporting (SBR) exam (“the Exam”), scheduled to take place on 10 September 2020, submitted or caused to be submitted to ACCA, a falsified Certificate (“the Certificate”) from University A
- (b) Mr Chen’s conduct in respect of 1(a):
 - (i) Was dishonest, in that he knew the Letter he submitted or caused to be submitted to ACCA described in Allegation 1(a) was false and was submitted for the purpose of withdrawing from the Exam

Allegation 2

By reason of his conduct in respect of any or all of the matters set out at 1(a) and/or 1(b) above, Mr Chen is guilty of misconduct pursuant to byelaw 8(a)(i).

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The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Mr Chen be removed from the student register and to pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £4000

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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We believe that accountancy is a cornerstone profession of society that supports both public and private sectors. That's why we're committed to the development of a strong global accountancy profession and the many benefits that this brings to society and individuals.

Since 1904 being a force for public good has been embedded in [our purpose](#). And because we're a not-for-profit organisation, we build a sustainable global profession by re-investing our surplus to deliver member value and develop the profession for the next generation.

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