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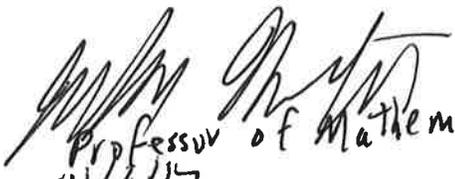
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Title: Professor of Mathematics, Brown University  
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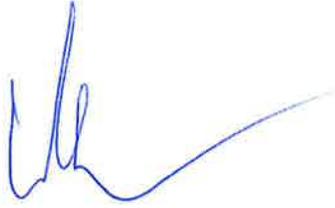
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Signed: William Whyte  
Title: CTO, Onboard Security  
Date: 2017-11-22  
Place: Wilmington, MA

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Signed: Cong Chen

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Title: Director of Cryptographic Research, Onboard Security

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