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To Whom It May Concern:

Recommendation for Roland Kubler

I am the founding Director of Modern Tibetan Studies within the Weatherhead East Asian Institute at Columbia University. I also hold visiting positions at Pembroke College, Cambridge and at King's College, London. I have previously taught as a visiting professor at Princeton University in the United States, at the Institut national des langues et civilisations orientales in Paris, and at Tibet University in Lhasa, Tibet.

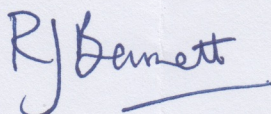
I am writing to recommend Roland Kubler as a highly capable and reliable editor and proof-reader for English-language materials. I have arranged for him to work for me on numerous occasions over recent years as an editor and proof-reader, checking drafts that I have prepared of academic papers, articles and book chapters. All these materials were in English, a language in which he is clearly extremely proficient, both with regard to the written and spoken language. He is exceptionally thorough and attentive to detail, with a sharp analytic mind, always willing to work at short notice and at great speed, and extremely reliable. I have often had to thank him for noticing details that I had overlooked in my writing and for helping to clarify complex or unclear arguments.

I notice also that Mr Kubler is comfortable with the theoretical and technical issues that come up in my work, even when they are outside his own field of knowledge. Most recently, for example, I asked him to read through and correct an extended powerpoint presentation on the relocation of nomads in Tibet. He found numerous errors in typography, punctuation, consistency of design, and clarity of expression, all of which I had missed. He communicated these to me diplomatically and efficiently, and did so at very short notice and without any delay.

I have also had the pleasure of discussing many of the issues in my papers with Mr Kubler and have found him knowledgeable, astute and balanced in all these matters.

I recommend him very highly as a person who has strong professional standards, who is unusually precise and reliable in his work, and has a very high level of knowledge of professional and academic English as well as being very knowledgeable and agreeable to work with..

Yours sincerely,



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