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The National Scholarship Program “Carlos Antonio López” – BECAL

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Dear Alejandra Bogado,

The Harris School of Public Policy at the University of Chicago (hereafter, “Harris”) deeply appreciates the Republic of Paraguay’s efforts, through the Ministry of Finance - The National Scholarship Program Carlos Antonio López (hereafter “BECAL”), to support promising students who wish to pursue their postgraduate studies at Harris.

We understand that BECAL intends to award a scholarship of up to \$90,000 to support BECAL-eligible candidates who have already been admitted into Harris’ PhD program, which will be dedicated to the first two years of the program. We also understand BECAL intends to award a scholarship in the amount of up to \$50,000 to support BECAL-eligible candidates who have already been admitted into Harris’ Master of Public Policy (MPP), Master of Arts in Public Policy (MA), the Master of Science in Computational Analysis & Public Policy (MSCAPP), the Master of Arts in Public Policy with a Certificate in Research Methods (MACRM), or the Master of Science in Climate and Energy Policy (MSCEP) programs with a financial aid package from Harris of at least 30% of tuition (hereafter, “BECAL Scholarships”). This letter is intended to provide information to facilitate your award of BECAL Scholarships to students admitted to one of these programs.

Please note that Harris considers all applicants for admission into a Harris program in accordance with its standard admissions procedures, with financial aid packages determined in accordance with

Harris' standard financial aid procedures. To the extent helpful in administering the BECAL scholarship application process, please be aware that Harris program applications open in September, and admitted applicants must notify Harris of their decision to accept the offer of admission by April 15.

Additional details regarding application requirements and deadlines are posted here:

<https://harris.uchicago.edu/admissions/requirements-and-deadlines>. BECAL Scholarship funds that are allocated to cover tuition can be paid directly to Harris by BECAL, so long as the awarded student completes the University Bursar's standard process for direct sponsor tuition billing (i.e., third party contract invoicing). BECAL will need to arrange payment for any remaining scholarship amounts directly to the student.

Again, we greatly appreciate your support of students admitted to Harris and look forward to welcoming them in the years to come. If you have any questions regarding our programs or the information provided above, please contact Shilin Liu, Associate Dean of Executive Education and Partnerships (shilin@uchicago.edu).

With warm regards and appreciation,



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