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Mr. Liu acquired his Bachelor of Art and Bachelor of Law degrees during 1987 to 1994 from Beijing Foreign Affairs College, the sole higher learning in China for training of diplomats. In 1998, he conducted research on IPR in Japan under a six-month WIPO fellowship. In 2002, he got his Master of Law diploma from China Politics and Law University in Civil and Commercial Law. Then he continued his law study in Edinburgh University, Scotland and won his LLM degree in Science, Technology & Law in 2003.

Mr. Liu has been working since 1994 for SIPO, dealing with matters related to international cooperation. Up to 2000, he had worked successively as an administrator and principal administrator in the international cooperation department, responsible for implementing cooperative activities between SIPO and European countries and the European Patent Office (EPO). In 2000, he was appointed as the deputy division director for European affairs and then promoted in 2002 as the director, mainly responsible for managing and supervising implementation of cooperation with SIPO's European partners, making proposals to his management on policies and legal issues on international cooperation, and organizing other major international IPR activities.

Mr. Liu has been active in international IPR arena. He has involved himself over years heavily in some major international IPR conferences and symposia, either as organizer, participant or speaker. In 2005, he worked for three months in the Industrial Property Unit, Internal Market DG of the European Commission, under the SIPO and Internal Market DG cooperation on exchange of officials. During 2006 and 2007, he headed the Chinese governmental delegation to attend the first and fourth WIPO PCDA (development agenda) sessions. He also participated in a series of negotiations and dialogues between the Chinese and foreign governments on IPR issues. Besides, he has been involved in SIPO's research on IPR policies and strategies.