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Subject: Freedom Institute

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to state that I was acquainted with Freedom Institute in the 1990s. I had agreed to serve as a doctoral research guide for them and received a prospectus which included all the courses, subjects and degrees which they offered through distance education. A few students on the campus of Spicer College registered for various programs listed. Paul Charles was one of them. Freedom Institute requested me to serve as examiner and I once supervised a student from our campus while he wrote an exam. The Institute included my name in their next prospectus without my permission, and removed it at my request.

They claimed affiliation and accreditation with some institution in the US as accreditation and affiliation with government universities was not possible in India. Till today even the best seminaries in the country (the Papal Seminary, Union Biblical Seminary, United Theological College, Serampur College, etc), have no recognition from the Indian government.

Freedom Institute definitely existed. I can confidently testify that Paul Charles did not produce his own certificate nor forge any signature on it.

I have written this in response to a question regarding the veracity of the existence of the institution. If there are specific questions any one has regarding this matter I will be happy to correspond.

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