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To Mr. Mingzhou Zhang IBBY President To. Mrs. Liz Page IBBY Executive Director

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Dear Liz, Dear Mingzhou, Dear all IBBY colleagues,

We understand how difficult it must have been for the IBBY Executive Committee to defer the 37th IBBY Congress to 2021. But in the state of such global disaster, it is the only right and wise decision.

We are extremely grateful to the members of the Executive Committee for highly commending our work on arranging the Congress. We appreciate all who have registered and submitted their abstracts: by March 2020, papers and poster sessions by specialists from 56 countries worldwide had already been selected and included in the programme of the Congress. Thank you for your work, professionalism, response and the desire to cooperate.

We extend heartfelt acknowledgements to our key speakers for accepting our invitation and being open to all our Congress suggestions. Special thanks to the national sections of Australia, China, Korea, the USA, Indonesia, Iran and Slovenia for the valuable ideas about the programme of the Congress.

We can hardly overstate the input of the IBBY Secretariat, who has always been in touch, contributed both constructively and creatively.

Undoubtedly, together we will overcome all, life will go back to normal and our highly anticipated Congress in Moscow, Russia, will certainly take place in September 2021. It will be an even more professionally interesting, significant and unforgettable meeting.

We are well aware that September 2021 is a long way off, nonetheless, we continue on preparing, planning and expecting you all, our dear colleagues, in Moscow in September 2021. The exact dates will be revealed soon.

Please, follow our website and keep in touch.

May you be healthy. Take care.

Respectfully,

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