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Dr. Fan Liming  
President  
Shandong University  
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Dear President Fan Liming,

I would like to express my heartfelt congratulations to you and all the Shandong University community everyone at Shandong University on the 120th anniversary of the university's founding.

In Hebrew, it is well-coined phrase and blessing- "May you live until 120", (in Hebrew: עד "מאה ועשרים שנה")

In the Old Testament, Book of Deuteronomy 34:7, the age of Moses upon his death is given as 120, but most importantly, the text states: "his eye had not dimmed, and his vigor had not diminished."

To have one's mental and physical faculties — this is the reason that Jews wish someone to live until 120.

In accordance with the Jewish blessing, Shandong University is far from slowing down as usual in old age, and "his eye has not dimmed, and his vigor has not diminished."

Moreover, Shandong University is 120 years young, and, from all we see yesterday and today, Shandong is on a continuous upwards trajectory, striving for an even brighter future, energetically progressing, whilst building on its celebrated, solid foundations of academic and institutional achievements.

I am delighted to say that the Hebrew University and Shandong have been working together to expand avenues for significant and important joint academic activity, including student exchanges between our two universities.

It is my sincere hope that we will work together even more closely in the years ahead for the benefit of not only our two universities, but for the good of the global community.

I express my very best wishes for an additional 120 years of continued success of the Shandong.

Prof. Asher Cohen

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