[31st April, 2020]

To the Hon’ble Chairperson/Hon’ble member

Internal Committee,

Y University, Mumbai

**Subject** **– Request to initiate enquiry into allegations of sexual harassment by Mr. Thorn**

Respected Ma’am/Sir,

I am am writing this application to file a complaint regarding an incident of sexual harassment that happened with me.

Here are the details:

On 14th February, 2020, I had approached Mr. Thorn to ask some doubts regarding his class as he teaches the course – Organic Chemistry to my batch. Upon approaching him in the corridor and conveying my doubts, he stated that the answer required a lot of explanantion and it would be better if we went into his office. Upon entering his office, he cornered me and stated that “you are a good student and have a very bright future, I have a feeling you will top your class as well, why don’t we go to my house one day, and we can discuss your career prospects.” I was shocked to hear this and very taken aback.

I did not respond and left the office as soon as he was done clearing my doubt.

I have spoken about this to my close friends, Mx. Rose and Ms. Tulip, who reccomended that I file a complaint.

I have felt very apprehensive and hesitant of filing this complaint as it is my final year and Mr. Thorn has the capacity as my proffessor to affect my grades. I am applying for Masters degree abroad and this could impact the same. I could not say anything to him when he cornered me for the same reason as I was very scared of offending him. Moreover, since then I have not spoken or corresponded with him and actively avoided his classes as much as posssible. I am of the opinion that Mr. Thorn cornered me in his office as there are no cameras present there as well.

After careful thought and consideration, I have decided to pursue the matter formally. I request that my complaint be taken on record and an enquiry be initiated for this incident. For the same reasons, as an interim mechanim, I request that you transfer me to a different section and ensure that Mr. Thorn does not grade my final paper.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Sincerely,

Mx. Orchid

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