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The Company Secretary Genome Research Limited 183 Euston Road London NW1 2BE Andersen Worldwide

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Dear Sirs

RESIGNATION AS AUDITORS

This letter is formal notice of our resignation as auditors of Genome Research Limited from today's date.

Yours faithfully

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Dear Sirs

In accordance with section 394 of the Companies Act 1985, we confirm that there are no circumstances connected with our ceasing to hold office that we consider should be brought to the attention of the company's members or creditors.

Yours faithfully

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