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Dear Dr. Aart de Geus,

On behalf of SMIC colleagues and management team, I would like to convey our greetings and congratulate you as Synopsys celebrate its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. For past 20 years, Synopsys has grown to become a world leading IC design solutions company. SMIC is privileged to play a part in your success, and grateful that Synopsys has helped SMIC to become one of the leading foundries in the world.

SMIC has a long-standing relationship with Synopsys. Our collaboration on reference kits has enabled companies to develop a reference design flow that gives mutual customers a flexible, lower-risk environment, ensuring faster time-to-market. As one of the first movers into China's semiconductor industry, Synopsys' contribution to China's fabless design industry by providing design software, IPs and best-in-class technology, has helped the industry catch up with the rest of world in just a few years.

China's IC market demand is expected to continue its significant growth for next few years and this provides great opportunities for IC design and manufacturing companies like us. Synopsys' leading position in IC design software and SMIC's role as a leading foundry in the China will position us for long-term success. We look forward to a continuing relationship with Synopsys and I am confident our partnership on advance technologies will further elevate China's semiconductor industry to a higher level.

Once again heartiest congratulations.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Ouyang  
Vice President of Design Services  
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