UTR6.244 – THE C. M. TATTAM GEOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS FUND

Recitals –

A. By a letter of appeal dated 1 May 1993, ex-students and colleagues of Professor Emeritus C.M Tattam were invited to donate to an appeal to recognise his contribution to the University from 1945 to 1968.

B. Professor Emeritus Tattam was an Associate Professor in the School of Geology, and was appointed Head of the School of Geology in 1965.

C. With the approval of Professor Tattam, the purpose of the appeal was to institute a ‘C.M Tattam Scholarship’ for students progressing from B.Sc. (Hons) to M.Sc.

D. Donors to the appeal returned their donations with a Contribution Form which said-

‘If, at some future time, the Council should decide that the award of the scholarship is inappropriate, I further agree Council may, on the recommendation of the Head of the School of Geology, use the income or capital of the fund for the benefit of the geology students within the University.’

E. In about 1987, a sum of $5,000 was received from the estate of the late Professor Tattam to be added to the fund.

F. On 26 June 1989, the fund was, pursuant to the Will of Reginald Ronald Eric Jacobson, augmented by $5,000.

G. In May 2006, the capital of the fund was further augmented by-

a) a bequest of $100,000 from the Will of Florence Mary Tattam, the widow of Professor Tattam, dated 2 December 1999, who died on 5 April 2001; and
b) a donation of $20,000 from Barbara Judith Ann Tattam, the daughter of Professor Tattam

H. By a decision of Council on 4 March 1985, the departments of Geology and Meteorology became the School of Earth Sciences, the head of which recommended to Council by letter dated 19 April 2007 that the income of the fund be used to provide scholarships for postgraduate students studying in the discipline of geology.

I. At its meeting on 7 May 2007, Council decided –

a) the award of the C.M Tattam Scholarship is no longer appropriate;
b) the income and capital of the fund may therefore be used for the benefit of geology students in the University; and
c) until its further determination, the income will be used to provide scholarships for postgraduate students studying in the discipline of geology.

J. As at 31 March 2007 the capital of the fund was $261,685.88 and the accumulated income was $21,728.32.
It is provided as follows –

1. The sum of $283,414.20, and any accumulations and additions to the sum, forms a fund to be called ‘The C. M. Tattam Geology Scholarships Fund’ (‘the fund’) and the fund must be paid into an investment pool and remain there until Council directs otherwise.

2. Until the further determination of Council, the net annual income is to be used to provide scholarships for postgraduate students studying in the discipline of geology. The terms and conditions of each such scholarship are to be recommended to Council by the dean of Science, who before doing so must consult the head of the school of Earth Sciences.

In future, Council may on the recommendation of the head of the school of Earth Sciences determine that the income and capital of the fund be used for an alternative purpose which benefits geology students.

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