To Whom It May Concern:

This letter of recommendation is written in support of Mona Hashemi's application as a post-doctoral research associate. I have known Mona since 2016 and have been following closely her school curriculum.

I was her referee for her M.Sc thesis at Sharif University in 2016, which she successfully completed. The following year, she became my Ph.D. student at the University of Tehran. Since then, she has been working on her thesis in the field of hardware security and trust. She has been conducting her research independently and has found many good and solid ideas for her research. She has published many very good papers. She has also helped me supervise many Master and Ph.D students who have defined their thesis in the same field. She has shown a very good leadership in guiding these students and finding challenges in their theses. I am absolutely satisfied with her performance and her students' supervision.

Mona has also been my teaching assistant in M.Sc. courses such as Verification of digital design as well as Hardware security. She has helped me define projects and exercises for these courses. Students have been happy with her performances.

Over her graduate courses, she has acquired deep knowledge in Computer Engineering. She has shown that she is capable of conducting rigorous research. Currently she is a postdoc student and spending a year at the National University of Singapore in the lab of Prof. Carlson. I think that she has made tremendous progress, since her Ph.D. degree and has obtained a very solid experience in her field.

Mona's education has been done in best universities in Iran and therefore her depth of knowledge makes her a source of information in her filed of expertise. She knows all basics and fundamentals in hardware design, coding and simulators. Besides being a nice person, Mona is serious and perseverant in her work. She sets high standards and reaches them with high confidence. She possesses critical thinking and can analyze problems she encounters in her research. She expresses herself with ease and communicates with other students without any problem.

Mona has a very strong background and will be an excellent researcher and team player in your lab. Therefore, I strongly and enthusiastically recommend her for the proposed position.

Sincerely,

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