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RETRACTED PAPER:

HOPF ALGEBRAS OF WORDS AND OVERLAPPING SHUFFLE ALGEBRA

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It has come to the attention of the Editor in Chief and the Editors of Kragujevac Journal of Mathematics, by the Executive Editor of the American Mathematical Society's Mathematical Reviews, by the Editor in Chief of Glasgow Mathematical Journal and by the Deputy Editor in Chief of Zentralblatt MATH, that the paper "Hopf algebras of words and overlapping shuffle algebra" by Olivera Marković, which appeared in Kragujevac J. Math. Vol. 30 (2007), 315–326, is plagiarism from two papers:

[1] M. D. Crossley, "Some Hopf algebras of words", Glasgow Math. J. Vol. 48 (2006), 575–582, and

[2] M. Hazewinkel, "Generalized overlapping shuffle algebras", J. Math. Sciences, 106 (2001), 3168–3186.

Large parts of papers [1] and [2] have been copied verbatim by O. Marković. More precisely, pages 317–322 of O. Marković's paper are almost word by word identical

with pages 575–578 of the paper [1], and pages 322–325 of O. Marković’s paper are almost word by word identical with pages 3168–3172 of the paper [2].

None of the references [1], [2] are referred to in that paper. The reference [2] is not even written in the list of references of O. Marković’s paper. As such this article by O. Marković is a severe violation of the scientific publishing practice.

Therefore, Editorial Board of Kragujevac Journal of Mathematics retracted the paper of O. Marković. The paper is also retracted from the electronic records of Kragujevac Journal of Mathematics, on the Journal’s web site <http://kjm.pmf.kg.ac.rs>, and on the web page <http://elib.mi.sanu.ac.rs/journals/kjm> of the Mathematical Institute SANU, Belgrade, Serbia.

According to the General Policy of Kragujevac J. Math., this paper has been reviewed, as always, by an expert in that field. However we are not always able to verify the originality for every paper submitted and this rests with the responsibility of the author.

The author of plagiarism wrote an letter of apology and suggested this paper to be withdrawn from our Journal.

The Editor and the Editorial Board of the Kragujevac J. Math. condemn this plagiarism of Olivera Marković, and sincerely apologise for our negligence. We apologise to the authors, M. D. Crossley and M. Hazewinkel, to the Editors and Editorial Boards of Glasgow Math. J. and of J. Math. Science, to our readership and to the broad mathematical community, for this situation.

We express our gratitude to Prof. Dr Graeme Fairweather, the Executive Editor of the AMS’s Mathematical Reviews, to Prof. Dr Ian Strachan, the Editor in Chief of the Glasgow Math. Journal and to Prof. Dr Dirk Werner, Deputy Editor in Chief of Zentralblatt MATH, who identified this plagiarism and informed us on this matter.

Despite this inconvenience, we are ensuring readers of Kragujevac J. Math. and the broad mathematical community, that Kragujevac J. Math. Editorial Board will continue to maintain quality and reliability of our Journal.

The Editors