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Dr. John G. Veres, III
Chancellor
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Dear Dr. Veres:

Thank you for your letter of April 13, 2010, transmitting a prospectus for the Master of Science in Cybersystems and Information Security degree program to be offered through the School of Sciences, effective January 2011.

The target audience for this program will be Air Force uniformed and civilian personnel, related defense industry personnel, and associated information technology contractors. Approximately 60% of the courses will be taught in traditional in-class lecture and approximately 40% will be taught through distance learning formats. Specialized training will be provided in computer network and information security, secure software engineering, operating system security, secure network engineering, and applied cryptology.

Evidence of assessment of need for the program was documented as was involvement of AU faculty and other groups in developing the program. The program has been included in the University's ongoing planning and evaluation processes which were described.

Outcomes for the program were included along with program completion requirements. Thesis and non-thesis degree requirements were listed. Appropriate learning resources for the program were described. Course descriptions were included. Physical resources and financial support were documented.

Faculty rosters provided evidence of appropriate qualifications of faculty members scheduled to teach in the program.

We approve the Master of Science in Cybersystems and Information Security to be offered, effective January 2011, and request no further information.

Enclosed is an invoice for \$300 to help defray the cost of reviewing the prospectus.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Belle S. Wheelan".

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.
President

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Enclosure

cc: Dr. Jeff Barksdale, Accreditation Liaison and Director of Academic Affairs
Dr. Michael S. Johnson