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The College of International Security Affairs

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Dear Incoming Fellow:

Congratulations on your acceptance into the International Counterterrorism Fellowship program at The College of International Security Affairs (CISA), the newest and most cutting-edge war college within the National Defense University (NDU). This program combines a senior-level Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) program with a rigorous Master of Arts in Strategic Security Studies.

CISA is one of NDU's five colleges and has been designated as the Department of Defense Flagship for education and the building of partnership capacity in combating terrorism and irregular warfare at the strategic level. The College's mission is to educate and prepare civilian and military national security professionals and future leaders from the United States and partner nations for the strategic challenges of the contemporary security environment.

Your selection to attend this joint education program at NDU recognizes your potential for significant future contributions to your service or agency and the Nation. We know you will find the experience intellectually challenging, professional rewarding, and personally satisfying. In addition to the rigor of the academic program, you will also have the opportunity to interact with your global peers; over half the student body is comprised of International Counterterrorism Fellows. You will also interact with colleagues from across the U.S. government, both civilian and military. CISA alums worldwide cite these professional and personal linkages as the highlights of their unique CISA experience.

Final details will be provided to you in the summer. Should you have any questions in the meantime, please feel free to contact Ms. Sheila DeTurk, Director of Student Services, at (202) 685-7784 or sheila.deturk@ndu.edu.

On behalf of the College, I would like to extend a warm welcome and best wishes towards your academic and professional success. Congratulations and welcome aboard.

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