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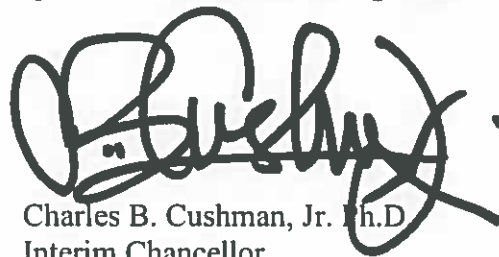
Dear Incoming Student:

Congratulations on your acceptance into the College of International Security Affairs (CISA) at the National Defense University. This program focuses on the strategic challenges of the contemporary security environment, and combines senior-level Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) program with the academically rigorous Master of Arts degree in Strategic Security Studies.

CISA is one of NDU's five war colleges and is 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 agency and the nation. We know you will find the experience intellectually challenging, professionally rewarding, and personally satisfying. In addition to the rigor of the academic program, you will also have the opportunity to interact and learn from 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 alumni cite these professional and personal linkages as one of the highlights of their unique CISA experience.

Final details will be provided to you over the course of the summer. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Sheila DeTurk, Director of Student Services at 202-685-7784 or [Sheila.deturk@ndu.edu](mailto: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!

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Cushman", is written over the typed name and title of the signatory.

Charles B. Cushman, Jr. Ph.D.  
Interim Chancellor