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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF: College of International Security Affairs
Office of the Chancellor

22 March 2023

Dear Member of CISA Class of 2024,

It is an honor and a pleasure to welcome you to the College of International Security Affairs (CISA) at the National Defense University. CISA is one of NDU's five senior-level colleges and is the Department of Defense flagship for education and 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 military education program at NDU recognizes your potential for significant future contributions to your service, agency, and nation. You will be taught by an extraordinary group of civilian and military scholars and practitioners. Our faculty is comprised of civilian academics from the top universities in the world, senior officers from all the U.S. military services, and senior officials from the Department of State, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Energy, and the National Counterterrorism Center. I encourage you to visit <http://cisa.ndu.edu> to learn more about our academic programs and faculty.

In addition to the rigor of the academic program, you will also have the opportunity to interact and learn from your peers from all over the globe. CISA has the highest percentage of International Fellows of any of the U.S. Professional Military Institutions. This is by design. You will find that your interaction with your fellow students will significantly enhance your educational experience, expand your professional network, and earn you lifelong friendships. CISA alumni cite these professional and personal linkages as one of the highlights of their time at NDU.

As you prepare to join us, if you have any questions ahead of your arrival, please feel free to contact the registrar's office at by email at University-Registrar@ndu.edu. On behalf of the CISA faculty and staff, I would like to extend a warm welcome and best wish towards your academic success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gretta", followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Ambassador (ret) Greta C. Holtz
Chancellor
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National Defense University