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From: Superintendent, U.S. Naval Academy
To: National Cryptologic School, National Security Agency

Subj: CENTER FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN CYBER OPERATIONS (CAE-CO)
APPLICATION

Encl: (1) NSA Center for Academic Excellence in Cyber Operations Application

1. I am proud to present the U.S. Naval Academy (USNA) Department of Cyber Science as an applicant to the National Security Agency (NSA) Center for Academic Excellence in Cyber Operations (CAE-CO) program. Our institution is in full support of the application. The conferment of such a distinction would strengthen the existing relationship between NSA and USNA, reinforcing our mutual goals. Our Cyber Science Department is particularly well positioned to serve the purpose of the NSA CAE-CO program, and likewise the CAE-CO program stands to enhance our Cyber Science Department's mission and its Cyber Operations major.
2. Our Cyber Science Department has reviewed the CAE-CO criteria and demonstrates in the attached application materials that each program requirement is met or exceeded. Additionally, our Cyber Science Department looks forward to participating in an in-person curricula review as well as NSA program events and reports, as requested.
3. My point of contact for this matter is CAPT James Caroland, USN, Chair, Department of Cyber Science at phone: 410-293-0954 or email: caroland@usna.edu. Our team is standing by to discuss our application should the CAE-CO selection committee have any questions.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "S. S. BUCK", is positioned above the printed name.

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