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Presently working on Chapter 6, validation of SCAP compliance for cross domain systems. It is expected to be done by 11th January. I met with Dr Martin about the effort on Wednesday. In writing it, I discovered a new recommendation that solves one of the existing problems with the way ST&E accreditation is continuously monitored after Beta 2. I need to update my thesis outline in light of the revised schedule, but haven't had time. We discussed using Google+ for multi-way video conferencing, and I said I would get a suggestion out tomorrow to the Reading Group mailing list for a paper for next week. I need to meet with Dr Martin briefly again next week, and thereafter with Dr Flchais for a few weeks when working on the analysis of CS-1.

I contacted the person in charge of accredited laboratory validation of SCAP compliance testing at DIA. I am waiting for answers to some questions I wrote to them regarding deadlines. I spoke with the R'' developer's systems engineering manager one more time about the upcoming re-certification event, which is forced by the sunset listing on the UCDMO baseline in 2015. The developer's main concern at this point is having a certifiable security policy for the new OS, and the potential conflict of interest between NSA's evaluation process and a subcontractor who specialises in writing security policies for developers. The government programme office remains critically short of funding; the developer's staffing level has been cut, and other departments in the facility are similarly or worse affected.

DGS should be signing my University card renewal any day; my current accesses expire at the end of next week. I fixed some web site problems for the Oxford University Scientific Society caused by the new year rollover; today I met with Human Resources and the Engineering manager at Lockheed and formally received notice.

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## References