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GS0.14 and MAT.3 forms were delivered to Julie Sheppard in the department office on time. She has offered to route the forms around for me as necessary to gather signatures. Dr Martin and I went through the narrative part of the COS application in a meeting Monday. He approved the application and we talked about written work. I contacted Julie to ask about deadlines; she assured me that (1) my timetable for submitting written work to the assessors later in the spring and summer for confirmation was OK, and (2) I would not miss any deadlines. She did advise to slightly move up the 5th September date (being the latest date for submission of written work) to early August so as to give the assessors enough time, but otherwise the application looked fine. She reminded me that the whole process must be completed before the end of Trinity term.

In the application for confirmation of status, I described the argument of my dissertation thusly: in each case study, certain specific things went wrong, and on the surface, those things appear unrelated. But there are fundamental similarities that are not apparent at first. If we look more deeply, we can see how the similarities emerge, and that allows us to make predictions about the next security accreditation effort. Once we begin to make predictions, we can try to affect the future in a controlled manner. It is a first step towards questioning the way we are doing security accreditation.

I promised to send Dr Martin a completed Chapter 1 by Easter. He asked to see the rest of the outline at the same time. I obtained some schedule relief from the Air Force project manager last week so I could concentrate on school work, which helped. Dr Martin asked for another meeting immediately after Easter to discuss the chapter and further progress.

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## References