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To the Alumni, current students, past and present faculty, and friends of the School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS),

My sincere congratulations to SAMS for reaching the Silver Anniversary! The professional military education provided by SAMS has played a key role in the development of influential men and women who have gone on to be confident and competent leaders serving in critical roles for an untold number of organizations involved in numerous operations.

25 years of delivering a premier graduate level education to over 1700 graduates is an outstanding accomplishment. The graduates of SAMS truly provide a joint, multi-national and inter-agency representation. The School's quality reputation is justly earned based on the results the graduates from the first 25 years of the program's existence produced.

Am confident the School will continue over the next 25 years and beyond to provide a great education and experience for the future leaders of our Armed Forces, our Allies, and the Inter-Agency. Ultimately, the results these future leaders produce will continue to shape the School's standing.

All associated with SAMS should be filled with pride at this quarter century milestone. Trust each of you will continue your efforts to sustain the School's well deserved reputation.

Sincerely,

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Lieutenant General, US Army  
Commanding