MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
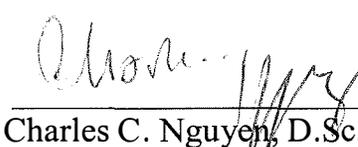### ESTABLISHING A STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP
BETWEEN
CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA
SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING
AND
DEFENSE ACQUISITION UNIVERSITY

To advance the educational opportunities of the Department of Defense Acquisition, Technology and Logistics (DoD AT&L) workforce by creating an effective synergy and leveraging capabilities, we, the undersigned, hereby agree and affirm the establishment of a strategic partnership between the Catholic University of America (CUA) School of Engineering and the Defense Acquisition University (DAU), leading to a Master of Science in Engineering Management or a Certificate of Engineering Management. This partnership will be subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. This program will enable members of the DoD AT&L workforce to use certain Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) certification courses to meet degree and certificate requirements within the CUA School of Engineering.

2. This program will be available to any member of the DoD AT&L workforce who has an engineering or physical science bachelor's degree from an accredited university, at least Level I Certification in at least one DAWIA acquisition career field, and meets the admission requirements for the Engineering Management Program.

3. The program can confer either a Master of Science in Engineering Management degree or a Certificate of Engineering Management. Classes will be held off-campus in the Northern Virginia or Washington, DC area.

4. The Master of Science in Engineering Management degree requires successful completion of 30 credit hours of applicable course work and a grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better to graduate. Students are also subject to the degree completion requirements of the CUA School of Engineering.

5. The Certificate of Engineering Management requires successful completion of 15 credit hours of core courses and a GPA of 2.0 or better to graduate. Students are also subject to the certificate completion requirements of the CUA School of Engineering.

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6. Students may transfer up to 9 semester hours for the Master's degree or 3 credits for the Certificate credits earned in DAU courses based on the recommendations of the American Council on Education's (ACE's) *The Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services* in the graduate degree category. Specific course acceptability will be determined by the CUA Dean of Engineering.

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President   Dean, School of Engineering
Defense Acquisition University   Catholic University of America

Appendix to
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COURSE TRANSFER EXAMPLES

Examples of DAU courses that may transfer to the CUA Engineering Management Program, the ACE recommended graduate semester credit hours for each, and the CUA course assignments are shown below:

IRM 303   Advanced Information Systems Acquisition - 3 credit hours as CMGT 515 Software Engineering and applicable toward certificate requirements

PMT 302   Advanced Program Management - 9 credit hours: 3 as CMGT 570 Project Management, 3 as CMGT 573 Planning and Control of Organizations, and 3 as CMGT 510 Info Systems for Managers. (PMT 302 is worth 3 credits toward the certificate requirements.)

PMT 402   Executive Program Manager's - 3 credit hours as an acceptable elective and applicable toward certificate requirements

PQM 301   Advanced Production and Quality Management - 3 credit hours as an acceptable elective

SYS 301   Advanced Systems Planning, Research, Development and Engineering - 3 credit hours as an acceptable elective and applicable toward certificate requirements - OR – with completion of SYS 201 - 3 credit hours as CMGT 580, Intro to Systems Engineering Management