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To Whom It May Concern:

This is to verify that the WASC Senior College and University Commission accredits United States International University Kenya. United States International University (USIU) Kenya was granted Initial Accreditation in 2005. USIU, including its campus in Kenya, was initially accredited by WASC in 1981. In 2001 USIU merged with Alliant University, a WASC accredited institution, to form Alliant International University, which continues to be accredited by WASC at present. USIU applied for accreditation from WASC as a separate identity, which was granted in 2005. USIU Kenya was fully accredited during the period between 2001 and 2005. United States International University Kenya continues to be accredited at present.

Accreditation is an important form of institutional accountability designed to serve the higher education community, prospective and current students, their parents, and the general public. Accreditation certifies that an institution meets established standards and is achieving its own clearly defined objectives.

Accreditation also encourages institutional development and improvement through self-study and periodic review. Federal and state governments consider accreditation a reliable indicator of institutional quality.

WASC Senior College and University Commission accredits baccalaureate and graduate degree-granting institutions in California, Hawaii and the Pacific Islands. *All programs, courses and departments are included under this accreditation, including off-campus programs.* 

WASC Senior College and University Commission is one of seven regional accrediting commissions, and is recognized by the United States Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

Sincerely,

Richard Winn

Executive Director