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From: Chief of Naval Research

To: Mr. Theo Gemelas, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Science and Technology,

Office of University Programs

Subj: LETTER OF APPOINTMENT TO INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE

ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR POLAR RESEARCH SITUATIONAL

AWARENESS WORKING GROUP

1. Retired Major General Randy 'Church' Kee is an outstanding selection to lead the United States' effort for the International Cooperative Engagement Program for Polar Research (ICE PPR) Situational Awareness Working Group.

- 2. His past experiences as a General Officer and as the current Executive Director of the Department of Homeland Security Arctic Domain Awareness Center position him perfectly to organize, lead and oversee the United States team for this extremely important working group.
- 3. Your 'pro bono' support leveraging contributions from your home institution and agencies to this all Department of Defense and United States Government Agencies collaborative memorandum of understanding is greatly appreciated. It is through this joint partnerships that we are able to generate the game-changing level of effort needed to maintain positive momentum.

4. Please direct any questions to my ICE PPR Executive Officer John Woods at the following address: john.e.woods@navy.mil.

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