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Mr. Michael A. Heaphy, Jr, Director  
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Dear Mr. Heaphy,

The Defense Acquisition University (DAU) congratulates your team for the Defense Standardization Program's (DSP) 70 years of service to the Warfighter and the Defense Acquisition community. The DSPO has consistently provided responsive support to DAU's mission of developing qualified acquisition workforce professionals who deliver effective and affordable Warfighting capabilities.

Through collaboration and shared leadership roles on various standards, committees, and councils, your team has long-provided DAU with knowledgeable, articulate guest speakers for our classes and invaluable advice in the development of six multi-disciplinary training courses on topics ranging from Diminishing Manufacturing Sources and Material Shortages (DMSMS) and Parts Management to Standards and Standardization. DSP has also made significant contributions to DAU in development of numerous workflow learning assets related to these areas, as well as numerous articles published by DAU faculty in the *DSP Journal*, and *Defense Acquisition Magazine*. We are also privileged to team with your staff in the development and implementation of three DMSMS & Parts Management Instructions and Guidebooks.

Our strategic partnership affords the Department significantly greater influence, ensuring DoD requirements are included in Industry Standards and Specifications, avoiding unique legacy standards which have proven to increase both acquisition and life cycle costs. We proudly join you in celebrating your seven decades of excellence in service to the DoD enterprise—thank you for being a valued partner!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James P. Woolsey".

James P. Woolsey  
President