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To the School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS) Alumni, Students, and Faculty:

Congratulations to each one of you on this Silver Anniversary.

The past 25 years of graduate-level, professional military education has had a substantial impact on our Army, the Joint force, our Allies, and Inter-Agency organizations.

The next 25 years will undoubtedly be characterized by an uncertain operational environment in which our Nation and military will be required to produce viable solutions for future complex, adaptive challenges. I am confident the SAMS will continue to meet both the opportunities and challenges of the future. Building on a legacy of 25 years, SAMS will continue to play a major role in educating the future leaders of our Armed Forces, Allies, and the Inter-Agency. Its future graduates will continue to be recognized as critical and creative thinkers who can operate and lead in this uncertain operational environment.

This is a proud moment in our history. We ask for your continued support to ensure SAMS' continued success.

Sincerely,

Edward C. Cardon
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