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Her Excellency
Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar
Minister of Education and Family Policy
Government of Aruba
Oranjestad, Aruba

Your Excellency:

Florida State University (FSU) is a public institution of the State of Florida, with main campus in Tallahassee, the state capital. FSU has been in the Republic of Panama since 1957 when we were invited by the U.S. Government to serve the educational needs of American citizens living in the Canal Zone. Today our campus is located in the City of Knowledge, an international hub for research, education and international institutions (ciudadelsaber.org).

We offer one graduate and 5 undergraduate and degree programs that can be completed in Panama, plus over 80 undergraduate majors that can be started in our campus in Panama and completed in our main campus. Students from the Caribbean that complete 60 credit hours at our campus in Panama with a minimum GPA of 3.0/4.0 are eligible for a "2+2 Scholarship" which allows them to transfer to our main campus paying in-state tuition.

I hereby request an appointment with your office to present our programs to the Government of Aruba, if possible to take place during the week of February the 16th.

Thank you in advance for your kind attention to this request.

Respectfully,

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY – PANAMA

Alonso de la Guardia

Vice Rector for University Relations