



Homeland Security

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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter introduces representatives engaged in research activities at the Stevens Institute of Technology, one of the lead institutions for the Department of Homeland Security's National Center of Excellence for Maritime, Island and Port Security. Stevens and its partners conduct research and education activities in Maritime Domain Awareness and Port Security & Resiliency.

In order to support DHS Science and Technology Directorate, Stevens has prepared some materials to explain the nature and importance of its projects for which it seeks your cooperation. We respectfully request your cooperation to the extent feasible to support this mission-critical research.

Please feel free to contact me at 202-254-6108 with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Theophilos Gemelas".

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cc: Dr. Michael Bruno, Director
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