



April 24, 2014

Honorable Claire McCaskill  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting  
Oversight  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510-6250

Dear Senator McCaskill:

This letter is to provide you with up-to-date information relevant to the February 26, 2014, letter Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU) submitted regarding Dr. Paul Cole, a research participant at the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command (JPAC). A copy of that letter is provided for your reference. As you recall, our February 26, 2014, letter was in response to your request that ORAU investigate whether Dr. Cole "has violated any ORISE program guidelines during his tenure as an ORISE fellow."

We committed in our February 26, 2014 letter to you that "were JPAC to provide us with information that Dr. Cole had failed to meet expectations or engaged in misconduct, we would take appropriate responsive action." On April 15, 2014, we received a memorandum from JPAC informing us that they had decided to terminate Dr. Cole's ORISE fellowship "based on several incidents of misconduct, including failing to follow JPAC and Department of Defense (DoD) policies and directives pertaining to the release of non-public government information." On April 16, 2014, ORAU terminated Dr. Cole's ORISE fellowship.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If the Subcommittee has additional questions, please call me at 865-576-3054.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ivan A. Boatner", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Ivan A. Boatner  
Vice President and General Counsel

Enclosure: As stated