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MBA Department Azerbaijan State Economic University 6 Istiqlaliyyat Street Baku, Azerbaijan

Subject: Letter of Commendation in Support of MBA Program Revised Curriculum

Dear Sir:

I am pleased to write this letter of commendation in support MBA program curriculum updated and developed by Dr. Nazim U Hajiyev, head MBA department and his team. I have known Dr. Hajiyev since spring 2012 when I was teaching at Azerbaijan State Economic University (ASEU) as US Fulbright Scholar. Dr. Hajiyev is an excellent teacher and productive researcher. We have collaborated on teaching and research since 2012, presented a joint paper at the International Conference of Economic Modeling (EcoMod 2013) in Prague, Czech Republic and presented another paper in EcoMod 2014 Conference in Bali, Indonesia. We have also jointly published a journal article/manuscript in 2014.

I would like to congratulate Dr. Hajiyev and his team on the successful efforts to improve the quality of their MBA program by incorporating the appropriate subjects of study and outcome-based qualified frameworks. Revised curriculum will help to enhance their MBA program's recognition and visibility not only in Azerbaijan but also in international arena. It will also help to attract high quality international students who intend to become part of global business leaders.

I support and commend Dr. Hajiyev and his team's efforts and again congratulate them on their impressive achievement. I wish them success and look forward for their continued growth and success in the development and delivery of their high quality MBA program.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Dean Hawkins, Head, Department of Agricultural Sciences cc:

Dr. B. A. Stewart, Distinguished Professor of Agriculture

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