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Re: Final Determination of Legal Authorization For Purposes of Federal Student Aid  
OPE ID: 03329300

Dear Dr. Pavoncello,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Foreign Schools Team of the U.S. Department of Education (Department) has completed its review of John Cabot University's documents pertaining to its legal status to provide educational programs and award degrees in the country in which the institution is located. The Department's review resulted in your institution being approved as noted below and therefore, your eligibility continues.

On November 1, 2010 the Department published final regulations that amend the regulations for Institutional Eligibility under the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), to implement provisions related to the eligibility of foreign institutions for participation in the Federal Student Aid programs. Except where specifically noted, these new regulations are effective July 1, 2011.

Among the final regulations published on November 1, 2010, is a new definition of a foreign institution. The new regulation at 34 C.F.R. § 600.52(1)(iii) and (iv) states that a foreign institution:

*(iii) Is legally authorized by the education ministry, council, or equivalent agency of the country in which the institution is located to provide an educational program beyond the secondary education level; and*

*(iv) Awards degrees, certificates, or other recognized educational credentials in accordance with § 600.54(e) that are officially recognized by the country in which the institution is located.*

After review of the legal authorization and recognition documents from Italy's Ministry of Education, University, and Research, Ministry of Internal Affairs and the Italian embassy in Washington, D.C (copies enclosed), the Department has determined that John Cabot University satisfies the new definition of a foreign institution, and is therefore, permitted to continue its

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participation as an eligible institution under Title IV of the HEA, and specifically, for the William D. Ford Federal Direct Student Loan Program.

The Department's records indicate that John Cabot University has submitted an application for recertification in the Title IV, HEA programs, and the application is currently under review. The Department's decision to confirm John Cabot University's legal authorization status according to 34 C.F.R. 600.52(1)(iii) and (iv), does not complete the process of recertification for John Cabot University. Please continue to work with Joe Peterson to complete John Cabot University's recertification.

Please contact Joe Peterson at 202-377-3531 or [Joe.Peterson@ed.gov](mailto:Joe.Peterson@ed.gov) if you have any questions regarding the content of this notice.

Sincerely,



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