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Dear Dr. Girod,

United States Space Command (USSPACECOM) would like to welcome the University of Kansas to our Academic Engagement Enterprise (AEE). The goal of the AEE is to foster relationships and collaboration between cutting edge academic institutions and USSPACECOM.

USSPACECOM aspires to collaborate with universities on the following goals:

- Engage the Future Workforce
- Increase Space Applied Research and Innovation
- Expanding Space-Focused Analytic Partnerships
- Enrich the Strategic Dialogue on Space

We are excited to work with your faculty and institution, which has been selected for full membership in the USSPACECOM AEE, effective June 5th, 2026.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Samuel C. Keener".

SAMUEL C. KEENER

Major General, USAF

Director, Joint Forces Development and Training