30th July 2019

To: The President of Cyprus Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education

Subject: Preliminary review regarding the programs of study ‘MBA Healthcare Leadership and Management’ and ‘MBA Education Leadership and Management’ which is going to be offered by the Alexander College, Larnaka and Pafos, via the franchise method, in collaboration with the Canterbury Christ Church University UK.

Alexander College has reviewed the letter sent by the Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education on the 23rd of July 2019 and has prepared further documentation to address the issues raised.

1. During the partnership meetings, the university explored the possibility to franchise MBA programs at Alexander College. All reports / forms completed during the collaborative partnership discussion do not specify the exact MBA programs. In Appendix 8 of our initial application the document specifies the exact MBA programs the university and the college have agreed to franchise after the various panel discussions. See Annex 3 of the relevant document.

2. The structure of the program MBA Healthcare Leadership and Management and MBA Education Leadership and Management is the same. There are two module changes in order to differentiate the specialization / pathway. For a student to earn the MBA Healthcare Leadership and Management, it is compulsory to take the two specialist modules listed as electives. The same is with the MBA Education Leadership and Management, a student will have to take the two specialist modules listed as electives to earn the degree. The module Research and Critical Inquiry Methods is a compulsory module without any ECTS. The students receive a Pass or a Fail result.

3. Annex 1 has a list of the exact teaching staff members of each program of study. We would like to bring to your attention that a module is offered across programs. On the tables provided, for shared module across programs, periods per week of relevant programs are combined. Also, in Annex 1 the exact teaching periods per week for each academic staff are presented. Furthermore, staff members have been added or removed according to the latest guidelines provided by the agency. New staff member CVs can be found in Annex 1. In Annex 2 you can find the timetables of the program for both semesters in Larnaka and Pafos.

Sincerely,

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Principal