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To: Director,  
City Unity College

**SUBJECT: Request to review the programme of study “*Masters in Criminology (MSc)*”, which is going to be offered by the City Unity College Nicosia, via the franchise method, in collaboration with the London Metropolitan University, UK**

I have instructions to refer to the above subject in response to your letter, dated on December 11th, 2023.

The final review/assessment of the programme of study **Masters in Criminology (MSc) - (1 year, 90 ECTS, Masters)**, which will be offered by your Institution, in collaboration with the London Metropolitan University, UK via the franchise method, has been completed in compliance with CYQAA’s Law Based on the Law [N. 136 (I) / 2015 to 35 (I) 2021], article 11].

According to CYQAA’s final review, there is full compliance on your behalf in relation to the conditions set out on the relevant article of the Law.

Therefore, the London Metropolitan University UK is permitted to offer the above mentioned higher education qualification/study programme, in the English language of instruction, at the City Unity College Nicosia, via the franchise method, **with the following recommendations:**

**No later than the beginning of the Spring semester 2024-2025, the Institute should:**

- **Provide to the Agency, the nominal list of the academic/teaching staff that will be hired by City Unity College Nicosia (as suggested in the application), and the relevant documentation of their ERGANI and social insurance payments.**
- **Hire at least one person among the teaching staff at the rank of Professor or Associate Professor, and at least 70% of the Full Time staff should be qualified with a Doctorate degree, according to the Council’s decision during its 96<sup>th</sup> summit.**



Furthermore, you are informed that, on the basis of the Article 17(3)(g), in case of no compliance with the Agency's recommendations, permission to run the above franchise programme will be terminated, and your students will be asked to move to another institution.

The current review commences in the Fall semester of the academic year 2024-2025 and ceases to be in effect at the end of the Spring semester of the academic year 2028-2029.

(Droso Lavithi)  
On Behalf of the President of  
The Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance  
and Accreditation in Higher Education