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Greetings Mr. Al Eskanazy,

My name is Dr. Kideste Yusef and I serve as Department Chair of Justice and Political Studies (includes the Criminal Justice, Political Science, and International Studies academic programs) and Assistant Director of the Center for Law and Social Justice (CLSJ) at Bethune-Cookman University (B-CU). We had the opportunity to speak very briefly during the break after your heartfelt introduction at the FBI Headquarters in Miami on Monday. I wanted to take a moment to express our sincerest gratitude for the generous support you and the CPRF provided that allowed for sixteen B-CU students and ten Florida Memorial students to have such an amazing and transformative experience. Our students are still raving about all they learned from the presentations, tour, and interaction with both agents and professional staff. Meeting B-CU alumni who currently serve within the Bureau solidified for many attendees what is possible through hard work and perseverance. For this lesson, we thank you.

After reviewing the CPRF charity website and fb page, it is clear your mission and that of the B-CU Criminal Justice program and CLSJ are strongly aligned. Dr. Randy Nelson and I are deeply engaged in the work of enhancing public safety through strengthened police-community partnerships and preparing students for careers in the criminal justice system. Criminal Justice is the largest undergraduate academic program on campus, with the majority of our majors interested in pursuing careers in law enforcement. Experiential experiences such as these create invaluable connections for our students and enhanced opportunities for volunteer, internship, and employment. Thank you again for your passion and generosity; it is deeply appreciated.

Respectfully,

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