Template for J-1 Exchange Visitor Extension Letter

The extension letter will need to contain the following information:

- Description of the Exchange Program activities
- Department and Division (if applicable) name
- School/Academic Division name
- Length of program
- Proposed start date of program
- Title of Exchange Visitor while at Washington University
- Funding information
- Supervisor/Mentor name, title
- Cross-cultural activities in which Exchange Visitor expected to participate

Other items to include if applicable:

- Additional costs the Exchange Visitor is required to pay as part of the program
- For MD holders, statement that there is no patient contact, or include the incidental patient contact letter

To assist with this requirement, please utilize the J-1 extension letter template that follows.
Dear <SCHOLAR NAME>,

I would like to invite you to continue your participation in an Exchange program in the <DEPT NAME> within the <School NAME> at Washington University in St. Louis. Our department is located on the Danforth campus. This program is expected to continue for # months/years beginning on <DATE>. You will continue to be appointed as <TITLE> at <salary per time period> (OR I understand that your visit to Washington University will be fully supported financially by <indicate funding source>.) As such, you will be appointed as <TITLE> in our Human Resources System. (Please indicate any additional expenses the J-1 may incur)

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We are looking forward to your continuation in this program.

Sincerely,

Supervisor Name

Title
DATE

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