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Attn: Support

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Dear Sir or Madam:

We are writing to inform you of an exposure of data contained in the University of Notre Dame's files that may have implications for you, and we consider it important to relay to you this information in a timely manner.

On December 27, 2006, we discovered that certain historical files were inadvertently made accessible to the Internet. These files contained background information, including social security numbers, provided by you, after taking the GMAT® exam, allowing interested business schools to contact you, including the Notre Dame MBA program. As soon as this situation was discovered, University staff immediately secured the files. We have no evidence to date that this information was used inappropriately. Unfortunately, there is truly no way to ascertain the full extent of this exposure. We do believe, therefore, that it may be prudent for you to take precautions to monitor your personal information for fraudulent activity, such as by periodically checking your credit status.

You may find the following references helpful:

Major Credit Bureau numbers and sites:

- (1) Equifax 800/525-6285 or <http://www.equifax.com>
- (2) Experian 888/397-3742 or <http://www.experian.com>
- (3) Trans Union 800/680-7289 or <http://www.transunion.com>

Federal Trade Commission identity theft website: <http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft>

If you believe that fraudulent activity has occurred, you may also contact the Social Security Administration fraud line at 800/269-0271.

Moreover, we have set up a toll free number at Notre Dame to help address any immediate questions and concerns you might have. You can call 866/668-6632, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. EST. You may also visit <http://www.nd.edu/mcobsupport> or send email inquiries to [mcobsupport@nd.edu](mailto:mcobsupport@nd.edu) to obtain more information. Please provide your reference number listed above when calling or emailing.

While the loss of control of personal data has become increasingly commonplace throughout our society, the University of Notre Dame nevertheless takes this situation very seriously. The protection of confidential information continues to be a high priority at Notre Dame and we continue to look for ways to improve our systems and to prevent further incidents such as this. Please let us know if we can assist you or provide you with further information. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you.

Very truly yours,