Statement

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Washington Adventist University Trustees Vote to Proceed With the Establishment of Branch Campus at Atlantic Union College

Columbia, MD—The Trustees of Washington Adventist University (WAU) today voted to proceed with a formal agreement to establish a branch campus at Atlantic Union College (AUC) in South Lancaster, Mass. They voted a business plan, new governance structure and operating plan for the branch campus.

The university will now seek approval from required state, regional and church accrediting agencies. In addition, WAU officials will present the plan to delegates at the Washington Adventist University Constituency April 15. In turn AUC officials will present the plan at the Atlantic Union College Board of Trustees meeting April 11 and constituency meeting June 13.

The expansion positions WAU to serve the educational needs of students in 15 states in the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast United States and the island of Bermuda.

WAU will provide updates as they become available via email and at www.wau.edu and www.auc.edu. Inquiries should be directed to William Jackson, vice president for Marketing and Recruiting at WAU at (301) 891-4475 or wjackson@wau.edu.

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About Washington Adventist University

Founded in 1904, Washington Adventist University, a liberal arts institution of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, is headquartered in Takoma Park, Md. The university offers eight graduate and 32 undergraduate programs for 1,300 students of all faiths. The mission is to produce graduates who bring competence and moral leadership to their communities by creating a culture of excellence designed to engage minds and transform lives.
About Atlantic Union College

Founded in 1882, Atlantic Union College in South Lancaster, Mass., is the oldest campus in the Seventh-day Adventist worldwide educational system. Spring enrollment is 444 students in bachelor’s, master’s, associate and certificate programs, and the Adult Degree Program. Its specialized mission is to produce service-centered professionals who have the skills needed to help create healthy communities.