

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION FROM PROFESSOR RICHARD PETERSON

As a university committed to service in a democratic society, MSU affirms that the international work of its faculty, students, administrators and staff must respect the political, cultural, and economic autonomy of the societies in which they work. As members of a university community, they must promote the values of knowledge, open debate, and the application of rational insight to human welfare.

1. Principles of intellectual and academic freedom must be observed in projects in which MSU faculty, administrators, staff, and students are involved. MSU is committed to free inquiry and open debate and rejects restrictions on the presentation of ideas and research. Censorship of intellectual work is unacceptable.

2. Projects undertaken by MSU faculty, administrators, staff, and students must be pursued in ways that are consistent with the rule of national and international law and with the observance of human rights.

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MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Jon Sticklen, Chairperson
Executive Committee of Academic Council

SUBJECT: Consideration of Resolution from Professor Richard Peterson for Faculty Council

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As you are aware, the Executive Committee of Academic Council met on Tuesday, February 3rd and discussed the attached information regarding a possible resolution for Faculty Council from Professor Richard Peterson. It was agreed that this information should be sent to your committees for review and we are asking for response back to ECAC at our March 16, 2004 meeting.

Thank you!

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