

# MEMORANDUM

FROM

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 17, 1969

To: Mr. Patrick T. Williams

From: John X. Jamrich

This is a brief summary of our conference this morning regarding the case which involves Mr. Charles Griffis.

Our meeting this morning included you and members of the Black Students Association as well as members of the Dean of Students staff and Dr. Rombouts. It seemed to me that we clarified several important points.

First of all, it is clear that the Student Judiciary has heard the case and will have rendered its decision some time this morning, and the decision will be communicated to Charles Griffis.

Second, you and members of the BSA have submitted a formal, as I understand it, allegation to the Human Rights Commission that the Student Judiciary is not properly representative and that the procedure utilized was not appropriate or proper.

Third, it was made clear that as far as the Student Judiciary decision is concerned, not only do you have the right to make the appeal to the Human Rights Commission on allegations of bias and improper procedure, but Charles Griffis has the right in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct to appeal the actual decision of the Student Judiciary to the properly constituted Faculty-Student Judiciary which is the next level of hearing a case of this kind.

You will remember that I emphasized the point that we have spent this year and a half in developing, with intense consultation on the part of faculty and students, a Student Code of Conduct and a set of procedures which are designed to assure equitable and just treatment to all students with reference to their personal concerns and with reference to alleged infractions of regulations. I emphasized at our meeting this morning that I am committed to the procedures which have been developed and which are considered to be proper and just and that we shall follow the necessary steps to go through the procedures as they are outlined in the approved documents.

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The purpose of this memorandum is to summarize briefly our discussion this morning and to again emphasize and assure all concerned that the proper procedures which are established and have been approved will be utilized and that every possible action and concern will be extended to assure equitable and just treatment in all cases concerning possible infraction of regulations by students.

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