

# MEMORANDUM

FROM

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 17, 1969

To: Student-Faculty Judiciary Committee

From: John X. Jamrich

This is with reference to the deliberations of today and yesterday on the case of Mr. Charles Griffis. As you know, the Student Judiciary Committee rendered a decision of "guilty", recommending suspension. Subsequently Mr. Griffis indicated his disagreement with the decision. He was informed that he obviously had the next step in the judiciary process, namely, appealing to the Faculty-Student Judiciary.

At the same time, there was clear indication by the Black Students that the process of the hearing as conducted by the Student Judiciary had certain improprieties and irregularities. On this matter, the Human Rights Commission began work at eight o'clock this morning and worked all day, submitting a report at 6:00 P. M.

On the basis of the letter and conclusions of the Human Rights Commission, and on the basis of other facts presented to me during the day, I am requesting that your committee meet at 6:30 o'clock this evening to hear this case. I urge your committee to take careful note of the Human Rights Commission conclusions, and I urge you to begin your deliberations by listening to the entire transcript of the original hearing.

Because, in my opinion, this matter is an urgent one, I respectfully ask you to exert every possible effort to conclude this hearing and give me a decision tonight if at all possible. As I say, I see this as a very critical situation, one with which many of us have been concerned throughout the day. Your role in this is equally important, and I appreciate your willingness to undertake this deliberation on such short notice.

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