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TO: Jose Wudka, Chair of Academic Senate
FROM: Iryna Ethell, Chair of Faculty Executive Committee, School of Medicine
RE: Length of Statements/Responses

(1) Overall, the School of Medicine Executive Committee supports the proposal from VPAP to increase the length of personal statement to 3 pages for merits above Professor, Step VI level (7-1-1).

(2) Although the committee also agrees that 3 pages should be more than enough to respond to the departmental letter, several members of the committee feel that it is not necessary to set a limit. Recommendations can be included that no more than 3 pages are required in fact more may be seen as excessive. However in some circumstances there may be a lot to talk about and we don't want to put restraints on the defense and instead clear guidelines should be sufficient.

