October 31, 2016

To: Dylan Rodriguez, Chair  
   Riverside Division

From: Richard Arnott, Chair  
       Committee on Research

RE:      Systemwide Senate Review: Draft New Presidential Policy on  
         International Activities

The Committee on Research discussed the draft Presidential policy on International Activities and has two suggestions. The first is in regards to section F/3/iii where it states permission is required to attend meetings, set up collaborations, etc. but in FAQ 1 it states that permission is not required for these activities. The second is in regards to FAQ 5 and the suggestion to strongly consider the use of “should” in the following sentence: “UC Employees and students should comply with the stricter laws of the non-US country in which they are conducting the activity”. The Committee felt that “should” is to ambiguous and that more definitive language should be used when it comes to obeying the laws of other sovereign countries.