

Dear Ms. Wasch:

As you are aware, Professor [REDACTED], a faculty member in the School of EAS filed a grievance against Dr. Curry and Dean Schuster with the Institute Faculty Status and Grievance Committee (FSGC) in Summer. This case was assigned to a sub-committee constituting Prof. Mark Richards and Prof. Heidi Rockwood to investigate. During their investigation, Dr. Curry indicated that the reason why Prof. [REDACTED] was required to copy all her written communications including e-mails to her (Dr. Curry) was to protect students from abusive e-mails from Prof. [REDACTED]. When she was asked why the monitoring requirement was therefore not limited to just those e-mails addressed to students, Dr. Curry indicated she was advised by the Office of Legal Affairs that the monitoring of Prof. [REDACTED] Communications had to be applied to all correspondence if it was going to be applied to any correspondence. Since you were the representative of the Legal Affairs that participated in the meetings that led to this condition, the FSGC sub-committee scheduled an interview with you on October 6 to discuss this statement by Dr. Curry with you. You cancelled this scheduled meeting, citing the "secondhand and --privileged" nature of the information you have and your inability to share it with the investigating sub-committee. Further request by the sub-committee to you to reconsider meeting with them was not acknowledged.

Your refusal to meet with the sub-committee of the FSGC to clarify Dr. Curry's statement is affecting a through and complete investigation of this case. The FSGC plans to submit its final report to President Clough on October 28, 2003, and your refusal to cooperate with the FSGC is affecting the quality of our final report. The FSGC would like to know whether you were the one who gave Dr. Curry that advice, and if so why?

Sincerely,

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