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EXECUTIVE VICE CHANCELLOR WARTELLA

Re: The Public Policy Environment for Academic and Scholarly Communication

Dear Ellen:

Thank you for sending the above White Paper and resulting SLASIAC recommendations.

I accept both of the following recommendations:

- merging SLASIAC and the Standing Committee on Copyright and accepting the revised charge for SLASIAC;
- committing to the establishment within the Division of Academic Affairs, under the supervision of the Associate Vice Provost for Scholarly Information, Dan Greenstein, the staffed capacity necessary to respond to and help shape the policy environment that will determine how and what terms and conditions, UC faculty, staff and students:
 - o will access the information upon which research, teaching, and learning depends; and
 - o disseminate the results of their own creative efforts in whatever form they may take.

Please extend my appreciation to members of the committee for their important work in this area and my best wishes for their continued success.

Sincerely,

Wyatt R. Hume

Provost and Senior Vice President

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cc: Associate Vice Provost Greenstein Director Lawrence