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To: February 9th FSILGs and Visiting Committees <nulldev@covert.org>
Subject: AILG Accreditation Reviews: Saturday 9 Feb 2007

Dear FSILG Officers and Visiting Committee Reviewers,

I am looking forward to a successful day of collaboration, in which we not only complete a multi-dimensional evaluation of the health of each MIT FSILG for the MIT administration as well as the parents of current and future students, but also actively discuss and exchange ideas on improving the FSILG community for the common benefit and future success of all of our organizations.

The Visiting Committees will meet at the PiLam house, 450 Beacon Street, at 8:15 for a full breakfast and to discuss the plans for the day. We will then split into two teams and begin our reviews.

9:00-10:30 TEP and PLP
10:45-12:15 PKS and DKE
1:30-3:00 ZP

Our Committees will meet together again at 12:30 at W20 for lunch, after which Team1 will continue to Zeta Psi while Team 2 works on its reports. After finishing Zeta Psi, Team 1 will reconvene at a convenient location, to write their reports.

As we continue to develop this process, we find that it's important to make sure that our participating organizations are familiar with the main parameters under which the review process operates.

Our main contact is with each FSILG's alumni organization. As the AILG, the association of the alumni of FSILGs at MIT, our official dialogue is with our members: the alumni representatives. To streamline the scheduling process, we contact both alumni and undergraduate officers, and both alumni and undergraduates are encouraged to ask questions of and communicate with the Accreditation Coordinator, to participate in the preparation of response forms, and to be present at the reviews. All "official responses" are always expected to be from the alumni officers, who are required to be at the reviews and expected to provide advice to and oversight of the undergraduate participants.

We expect to be able to return reports to the interviewed FSILGs within about two weeks, and will then accept comments on the report, if any, from the FSILG's alumni officers before forwarding our recommendation to the AILG Board and, in the case of a positive recommendation, to the MIT administration. We hope there are no negative recommendations; if there are, these are to be reviewed by the AILG Board prior to being sent to MIT.

Please see <http://web.mit.edu/covert/ailgreviews/> for more information.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email.

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