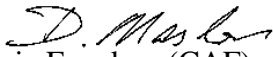


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**COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM**

May 4, 2020

To: Dylan Rodriguez, Chair  
Riverside Division of the Academic Senate

From: Dmitri Maslov, Chair   
Committee on Academic Freedom (CAF)

Re: Proposed Policy: Presidential Policy on Protection of Human Subjects in Research

The Committee on Academic Freedom considered the document "Proposed Policy: Presidential Policy on Protection of Human Subjects in Research" submitted for a systemwide review on March 18, 2020.

This proposed Presidential Policy on use of human subjects in research is relevant for Academic Freedom. Essentially, it sets the ethical boundaries to the freedom of pursuing such research. Such boundaries are justified and necessary. In each case the exact limits to how far such research can go would be set differently, but, paraphrasing the old principle, the freedom of a researcher would end where the freedom of his/her human research subject would begin. The transition zone between the two freedoms is determined by ethics. The policy proclaims that the University prioritizes ethics. Thus, the CAF suggests to endorse this policy.