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IFC Judicial Committee Outcome Letter

December 18th, 2019

From: Daniel Gonzalez Cunningham, IFC Judicial Committee Chair

To: Aaron Makikalli, Sigma Chi President

**CC: Liz Jason, Assistant Dean, FSILGs
James Reed, Assistant Dean, Student Conduct**

Dear Aaron,

I'm writing to provide you the outcome of an IFC Judicial Committee Hearing panel held on December 9th, 2019. The panel was convened to review the complaint that was filed by MIT Police regarding a transport for a member of Sigma Chi on October 18, 2019 during which Sigma Chi may have violated the following policies:

MIT Mind and Hand Book

II (2) (A). Alcohol Policy (shortened, for full text, read [here](#))

MIT prohibits any persons under the age of 21 from possessing or consuming alcohol.

Additionally, MIT prohibits persons from providing, serving, or selling alcohol to any person, except as expressly allowed in Institute policy 9.11.2. Small social gatherings (usually considered to be 25 guests or fewer) at which alcohol is served to individuals over the age of 21 is not considered a violation of this policy.

At the expedited hearing on December 9th, you and several other members of Sigma Chi were present, and you responded to the complaint. Additionally, you answered questions asked of you by IFC Judicial Committee members. The complainant was not present at the hearing.

Finding

Upon clarification of the extensions of the Alcohol Policy according to the [Event Planning Regulations](#) for Alcohol Guidelines 2 (e), Sigma Chi accepted responsibility for violating the Alcohol Policy from the MIT Mind and Hand Book.

Sanctions

After due consideration, the Panel assigned the following sanctions:

- This finding of responsibility will be recorded as an organizational warning, which is considered a warning from MIT that Sigma Chi's behavior in this situation violated Institute expectations. This warning should prompt your house to reflect on this incident and the behavior. Please note that this organizational warning does not directly impose any loss of privileges on Sigma Chi. However, if you are involved in any type of misconduct in the future, this letter will be considered in determining how your case should be heard and during sanctioning.

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- Sigma Chi must revise their risk management plan and send a copy of the revised document to Jaya Kambhampaty and Liz Jason by March 1st, 2020.
 - These revisions should include the changes that Sigma Chi mentioned making in response to this incident, specifically the plan to lock the kitchen during social events to restrict access to alcohol. On top of the proposed changes, the revisions should also include a plan to make the kitchen immediately accessible when situations call for it.

The panel considered Sigma Chi's relevant disciplinary history when assigning sanctions. The panel feels that the sanctions assigned will prepare Sigma Chi leadership to handle any issues that arise and prevent similar incidents from occurring again.

Please note that failure to comply with the above noted sanctions is grounds for additional Judicial Committee action. As noted in the [IFC Judicial Committee Bylaws](#), you have the option to appeal this decision if you so choose; specific details on the appeal process may be found in Article IX of the Bylaws. You have until December 25, 2019 at 5:00 PM to submit an appeal. Appeals may be sent to me directly. Please let me know if you have any additional questions about this outcome or the overall process.

Sincerely,

Daniel Gonzalez Cunningham

Judicial Committee Chair, MIT Interfraternity Council