

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

Office of the Vice President, Academic

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senate

FROM: J.M. Munro, Chair,
Senate Committee on
International Activities

SUBJECT: Ad Hoc Committee to Review the
Eastern Indonesia University
Development Project

DATE: April 26, 2000

Simon Fraser University has been managing the CIDA-funded Eastern Indonesia Universities Development Project (EIUDP) since 1987. This involvement has been the subject of periodic debate on campus. The University's participation in the second phase of EIUDP was recommended by the Senate Committee on International Activities (SCIA) in 1994, conditional on certain modifications to the Project's activities, and subsequently approved by the Board of Governors. Since it was established in 1992, SCIA has received periodic reports on EIUDP and several briefings on the evolving political and social situation in Indonesia. It is possible that the University will be asked to consider participation in new development project opportunities in Indonesia in the next year.

On April 6, 1998, Senate approved the following motion (Paper S.98-38):

"that Senate review the Eastern Indonesia University Development Project following the final CIDA evaluation of the project. The purpose of the review is three-fold:

1. To determine what academic benefits SFU has accrued as a result of the EIUDP;
2. To see if the Simon Fraser University Policy on International Activities has been adhered to by the EIUDP;
3. To see if the stated goals of the EIUDP have been met with respect to SFU's interests."

The Senate Committee on International Activities recommends that an ad hoc Senate committee be established now to review the EIUDP. The Committee

would like this review to occur at the same time as the CIDA evaluation in order to benefit from information and consultation arrangements that will be generated by the CIDA evaluation.

The proposed composition and terms of reference for this committee are as follows.

1. The name of the committee will be the Committee to Review the Eastern Indonesia University Development Project.
2. The Committee will have two faculty members and one student member. Members will be appointed by SCAR after receiving advice from SCIA.
3. The Committee shall carry out its review as follows:
 - a. Review documentation and meet with individuals and groups at Simon Fraser University to develop a detailed understanding of:
 - (1) The Project's objectives and planned outcomes;
 - (2) The activities of the University in the Project.
 - b. As feasible, work in conjunction with CIDA's project evaluation team.
 - c. Be available to travel to Indonesia to meet with Project participants, partners and individuals familiar with the Project.
 - d. Prepare a report that responds substantively to the issues raised by Senate.
4. The Committee will report to SCIA by October 1, 2000. SCIA will prepare an assessment of the Committee's report and forward it to Senate for discussion.

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