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The University stands by the recent investigation regarding anonymous emails, both in the professionalism, independence, and rigor of the inquiry and the presentation of the findings. The external investigative team's process was thorough and included interviews of numerous University personnel and the review of many emails and other documents.

The investigative team met with Dr. Troyer on multiple occasions, offering her opportunities to provide the team with information and explanations regarding the use of her computer, her actions and those of others, and additional relevant facts. In each instance, Dr. Troyer was strongly encouraged to provide any and all additional information that could assist in the inquiry. On January 12, the investigative team met with Dr. Troyer via teleconference and summarized the team's main conclusions as of that point in the investigation. The team further indicated that the report would likely be issued on January 13.

The information conveyed by Troyer or on her behalf in the interim has been carefully assessed but has provided no new perspective or impact on the conclusions. Today's statement from Troyer has likewise not provided any new information.

Contrary to Dr. Troyer's statement, the University has not entered into a "confidentiality agreement" with her.

The University has not chosen to debate the merits of the report in public. Unfortunately, Dr. Troyer has chosen to do so, leaving the University with little choice but to respond publicly.

The investigative team of Jones Day and Duff & Phelps, under the direction of the University Ethics Office and the Office of University Counsel, should be commended for their independent, comprehensive, and timely investigative report.