



MEMORANDUM

TO: President Edward T. Foote II

FORM: Dr. William J. Whelan *WJW/w*  
Chair, Faculty Senate

DATE: May 4, 1993

SUBJECT: Faculty Senate Legislation #92021(B) -  
Disestablishment of the Center for Theoretical Studies

The Faculty Senate, at its meeting of November 30, 1992, voted to approve Faculty Senate Legislation #92021(B) - Disestablishment of the Center for Theoretical Studies pending a positive vote of the faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences. A motion to disestablish the Center was passed unanimously at a College faculty meeting on February 23, 1993.

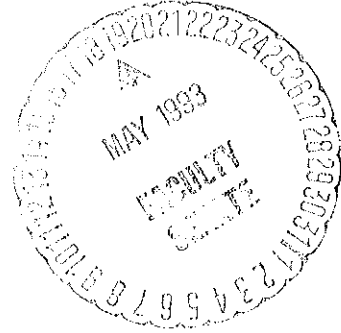
This legislation is now forwarded to you for your action.

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cc: Provost Luis Glaser  
Dean Ross Murfin

CAPSULE: Faculty Senate Legislation #92021(B) -  
Disestablishment of the Center for Theoretical Studies

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RESPONSE BY THE PRESIDENT:

DATE: 5/15/93

APPROVED: [Signature]

OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL TO IMPLEMENT OR PUBLISH: [Signature]

EFFECTIVE DATE OF LEGISLATION: \_\_\_\_\_

NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO: \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED): \_\_\_\_\_

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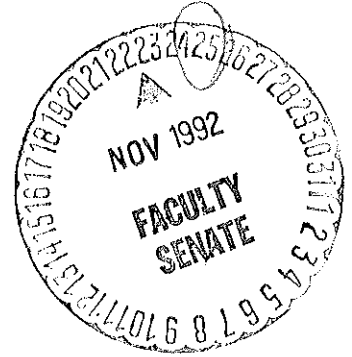
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November 24, 1992

Prof. William J. Whelan  
Chairperson, Faculty Senate  
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Dear Bill:

Thank you for informing me of the Faculty Senate agenda item during the November 30 meeting pertaining to the disestablishment of the Center for Theoretical Studies and the name to be transferred to the Global Foundation. I am planning to attend and, if need be, take part in the discussions. Dr. Arnold Perlmutter will also attend the meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Behram".

Behram N. Kursunoglu

\*Nobel Laureate

pc: Dean Ross C Murfin  
Dr. Arnold Perlmutter

### Policy Statement Changes

Dr. Knoblock explained that this legislation adds the title of University Professor and the appellation of Distinguished Professor to the list of Regular Faculty. These titles and appellations will also be included in the list of those that receive fringe benefits, and retirement plans. This proposed legislation was presented as a *motion* from the Senate Council and was *approved unanimously*.

### University Fellows

Following an explanation by Professor Knoblock of the intent of the legislation, the *motion* from the Senate Council was *approved unanimously*.

Professor Whelan thanked Professor Knoblock for his dedication to the drafting of the foregoing items of legislation.

### Teaching Awards

Professor Eveleen Lorton, Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Teaching Award, presented the Committee's report. Professor John Masterson, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Affairs, indicated that his office is interested in coordinating with the Faculty Senate the Freshman Teaching Awards, grants and instructional development. It was agreed to editorially include graduate students completing their degrees from RSMAS. The *motion* from the Senate Council *failed* by a vote of 9 in favor, 11 opposed, with 2 abstentions.

### Appointment of Nominating Committee

This item was deferred to a later meeting.

### Closure of Centers

The Provost reported that the Center for Cellular and Molecular Evolution, the Center for Advanced International Studies and the Center for Theoretical Studies have ceased to exist and, therefore, proposed that they be disestablished. Professor Whelan mentioned that although the Council of the College of Arts and Sciences had recommended disestablishment, the Faculty must still vote in the cases of the Center for Theoretical Studies and the Center for Cellular and Molecular Evolution. Any action by the Senate would be pending the College's vote on these two Centers. It was *moved* and seconded to approve the disestablishment of the three Centers. The *motion carried*. Dr. Behram Kursunoglu, former Director of the Center for Theoretical Studies, agreed with the Provost's recommendation that the name of the Center remain with the University for some future use.



November 19, 1992

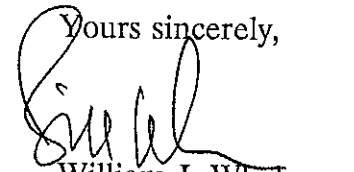
Prof. Behram Kursunoglu  
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Dear Dr. Kursunoglu:

**Center for Theoretical Studies**

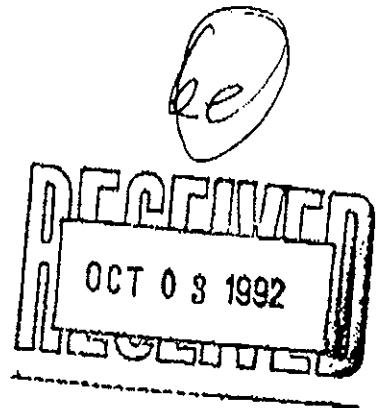
On November 30 at the Faculty Club, the Faculty Senate will receive a proposal to disestablish the Center for Theoretical Studies. It is our understanding that you requested that the name of the Center be transformed to you for use outside the University.

You are invited to attend the Senate meeting to take part in the discussion of the proposal. I cannot say exactly when the item will be debated. The meeting will begin at 3:00 p.m. My guess would be that the Center for Theoretical Studies item will not be reached before 4:30 p.m.

Yours sincerely,  
  
William J. Whelan  
Chair, Faculty Senate

WJW/ca

cc: Dean Ross Murfin



Executive Vice President and Provost

September 29, 1992

Dr. William Whelan  
Chairman, Faculty Senate

Dear Bill:

I am writing with regard to three centers which I believe are no longer functionally part of our academic programs and which should be disestablished. These are the Center for Theoretical Studies, the Center for Molecular and Cellular Evolution, and the Center for International Studies, which I believe was a precursor of the Graduate School of International Studies, but to the best of anyone's records was never formally closed.

With regard to the Center for Theoretical Studies, I understand that Professor Kursunoglu has asked to retain the name for his own use, and I would encourage the Senate to review this carefully and I would recommend this not be done. Inasmuch as the name of the center is associated with the University, transferring it outside of the University family would create confusion in the minds of individuals who may wish to interact with Professor Kursunoglu in the belief that they are still supporting University activities.

Thank you very much for your help.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Luis".

Luis Glaser  
Executive Vice President  
and Provost

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September 28, 1992

Provost Luis Glaser  
University of Miami  
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Dear Luis:

### Closures of Centers

Last week the Senate Council dealt with a request from Arts and Sciences to disestablish the Center for Theoretical Studies. This will come to your notice in due course.

The action raised the question of the current status of two other Centers, those for Cellular and Molecular Evolution and for International Studies.

If these are now non-functional but were never disestablished, it would perhaps be appropriate to take action to do so?

### Evaluation of Dean Holden

The Senate Council is due to conduct an evaluation of the Dean of the School of Continuing Studies. This will mark four years since the appointment of Dean Holden. However, the School has no regular faculty so that an evaluation of the usual type cannot be held. While there appears not to be any written record of what happened when Robert Allen was Dean, it is believed that evaluations were not conducted, but should this continue to be the case? Again, your advice will be appreciated.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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W.J. Whelan

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### Remarks from the Provost

Vice Provost Ullmann explained that the Provost was visiting Arizona State University, the site of the new Dean of Architecture's present program. He assured the Council of his intention to open lines of communication between the administration and faculty. There are some indicators that suggest more loss of revenue from the hurricane than was originally anticipated. Dr. Ullmann indicated that the University is making efforts for facilitating payment of tuition fees by students.

### Agenda Items for the October 5 Senate Meeting

#### College of Arts and Sciences

Dean Murfin spoke about the Center for Theoretical Studies formerly directed by Professor Behram Kursunoglu. The School Council, after hearing from the Department of Physics, voted to disestablish the Center. Following discussion, it was *moved* and seconded to recommend to the Senate, after action by the College, that the Center for Theoretical Studies be disestablished as a University center. The *motion carried*. It was *moved* and seconded to agenda for the November Senate meeting the question of whether or not the University shall surrender any right to the title "Center for Theoretical Studies". Dr. Kursunoglu may be invited to discuss his proposal. The *motion carried*. The Provost's office was requested to inform the Senate of the status of the Center for Advanced International Studies and the Institute for Cellular and Molecular Evolution and whether, if moribund, they should be disestablished.

The Neuroscience Ph.D. program had been approved by the Faculty Senate pending the College of Arts and Sciences' formal approval which took place recently.

The M.F.A. in Creative Writing was approved by the Senate pending the disestablishment of the M.A., D.A. and the Ph.D. degrees in Creative Writing by the College. That action had now been taken and approved by the College.

#### Reorganization of the Senate

Dr. Knoblock informed the Council that the ad hoc drafting committee will review all proposed legislation. A draft of proposed Charter revisions will be distributed at the October 5 Senate meeting.