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RE: Human Research Subject Protections Under Multiple Project Assurance (MPA) M-1521

Dear Dr. Wagner and Ms. LaMantia:

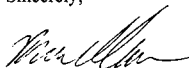
The Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP) has reviewed Ms. LaMantia's letter dated November 10, 2000, responding to allegations of noncompliance with Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) regulations for the protection of human subjects involving possible research conducted by investigators at the Weatherhead School of Management on subjects in university computer rooms.

OHRP acknowledges your report that Drs. Richard Boyatzis and Diana Bilimoria of the Department of Organizational Behavior in the Weatherhead School of Management have never conducted any research in university computer rooms.

As a result, there should be no need for further involvement of OHRP in this matter. Of course, OHRP must be notified should new information be identified which might alter this determination.

OHRP appreciates the continued commitment of your institution to the protection of human research subjects. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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