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To: Chancellor's Advisory Committee on the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Community

Please accept the attached statement which has been coordinated through our three ROTC departments and spearheaded by Lieutenant Colonel Brian Stone, U.S. Air Force in consultation with your committee. As you may be aware, we collectively drafted this statement on the repeal of Don't Ask Don't Tell to share with the larger University of California, Berkeley community, reaffirm this historic policy shift, and provide points of contact for anyone who may be interested in pursuing a career as an officer in the military.

This statement has been vetted and approved by all three services and thus it would be our pleasure to have you disseminate this message to the greater Cal community.

Very sineerely,

Captain, United States Navy

Director, Military Affairs Department

Joint Service ROTC Statement

On Repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell"

For Dissemination by the

Chancellor's Advisory Committee on the LGBT Community at Cal

The recent repeal of the federal law known as "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" removed as bars to service in the United States Armed Forces previous limitations that were based on open sexual orientation or conduct. The military recognizes that its perspectives, capabilities, and strengths are enhanced by being inclusive of American people from diverse populations. This enables the military to engage in sharper critical thinking and innovative decision-making, to meet more effectively challenges wherever they may arise, and to recruit and retain the best talent in this great country.

The Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) and its predecessor organizations have a long history at UC Berkeley, dating back to the founding of the university. Three ROTC units on campus – Air Force, Army, and Navy (which includes the Marine Corps) – stand ready to inform all Berkeley students of opportunities for service.

Scholarship opportunities are available for highly qualified students, based on performance as a cadet, overall academic performance, and fitness. We invite interested students to contact any one of the several service representatives:

Air Force: Lieutenant Colonel Brian Stone, 510-642-3579, bstone@military.berkeley.edu

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