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MEMORANDUM

To SENATE

From H. M. EVANS

REGISTRAR AND SECRETARY OF SENATE

Subject NOMINATIONS, ELECTION, AND VOTING - SECTION 27, UNIVERSITIES ACT

Date FEBRUARY 24, 1972

- MOTION:
1. "That when elections are being held for the position of Chancellor or for Senate a candidate may accept nomination to run for only one seat or office in those elections."
 2. "That when elections are being held for the position of Chancellor or for Senate, an individual holding a Senate office which extends into the new term shall be required to file with the Registrar resignation from the present seat in order to be a candidate in the new election. Such resignation may be effective for the normal date of change-over of offices or earlier, but must be filed not later than the last date for receipt of nominations for the new election."

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I. Background Information

1. Rules for elections -

Section 27 of the Universities Act stipulates:- "The Senate shall make and publish all rules necessary and not inconsistent with this Act in respect of nominations, elections, and voting, and the Registrar shall conduct all elections as are required."

2. Nominations have been called in the ordinary triennial elections for the position of Chancellor, for six Convocation Senators, for four Senators to be elected by joint faculty, and for one student Senator. Nominations close March 3, with ballot papers to be distributed by March 24, and with completed ballot papers due by May 26, 1972. The elections are run concurrently.
3. Two matters, in the opinion of the electoral officer, require rules by Senate to eliminate certain potential difficulties.
 - a) The number of positions for which an individual can accept nomination in the concurrent elections.
 - b) The requirements for an individual to accept nomination in the current election if the individual already holds office which extends into the new term for which present elections are being held.

With reference to a) it is normal practice to restrict an individual to acceptance of nomination as a candidate for one position only, e.g. as candidate for mayor, or for alderman - two year term, or for alderman - one year term, etc. The reasons are obvious.

With reference to b) it is normal practice to require a candidate to submit resignation from office presently held if he wishes to accept nomination to run for another seat, e.g. an alderman with two-year term who in his first year wishes to be a candidate for mayor in that year. The resignation is normally effective for the usual date for change-over in offices. Specifically the individual cannot hedge his bets to retain his present seat if

he is unsuccessful in the new venture, but must free the seat to enable election to be called for it when the normal elections are being held. The reasons are obvious.

In the lack of ruling by Senate on these matters the electoral officer would rule that an individual could accept nomination and be a candidate for only one position in such concurrent elections, and would further rule that an individual holding office which extends into the new term would be required to file resignation from the current seat to be a candidate for the new elections. The resignation would be required to be received not later than the last date for nominations, but could be effective at the normal date for change-over of offices. These principles would apply to all similar elections.

It is desirable that Senate indicate its wishes.

II. Recommendations

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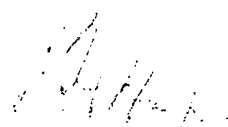
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To Mr. Harry Evans Secretary of the Senate	From Dr. R. J. C. Harper, A/Chairman B.S.F. & C.S.
Subject	Date February 25, 1972

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