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Sent: Saturday, August 4, 2018 12:14 AM
To: Lawrence Krauss
Subject: Re: Request for comment: ASU determination in incident at Australian conference in November 2016

it says the letter was sent to the complainant. =A0 . not released ,to buzz feed.! . justin had tol= you and you strongly argued with me that the university would not release=it. and was playing nice.

sorry, =C2 I think one alternative is for you to go see crow. perso=ally. tell him you can't afford NOT to fight it all the wa= to court. . witnesses , embarrasment on both sides. =A0 what does he suggest. . would they agree to a severance package i= you just accepted the findings. . would it be helpful towards a set=lement , if you filed an aggressive appeal , backed by a major lawfirm. =A0 as they are willign to work on contingency. ? =here is a crossover from reputation to money, focusing o= your reputation will cost you hundreds of thousands of dollars. .ie=lost severance and legal fees. . focusing on money will =ost you your reputation. its a very personal decision.=C2 . I know how stresful this is for you and I am sorry .</=iv>

On Fri, Aug 3, 2018 at 7:56 PM, Lawrence Krauss [REDACTED] >> wrote:

FYI..

no comments now, of course.... but I will need at some point later t= publicly demonstrate that Melanie Thomson did fabricate things with malic=ous intent..i.e. (a) that there is no evidence that the touching was inten=ional.. that the person involved said it was clumsy interpersonal interact=on.. did not feel victimized. and also that I said that shield camera was =ne possibility but that falling backwards was what photograph looked like.= and (b) in subsequent photo that Melanie sent.. no photobombing, o=her participant did not support her claim of what I said, and only heard h=r say "I hate that man".).

We al=o have to investigate suing the University for releasing the information..= (of course this information was not released by Administration.. but=undoubtedly someone at the University who is in cahoots with Buzzfeed =80 and other media).

LMK

Begin forwarded message:

From: Peter Aldhous <[REDACTED]>

Subject= Request for comment: ASU determination in incident=at Australian conference in November 2016

Date: August 3, 2018 at 1:44:15 PM GMT

To: =/b>Lawrence Krauss <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Krauss
<lkrauss@asu.edu>

Cc: [REDACTED]

Dear Prof Krauss,

We understand that Arizona State University has found that you were in breach of its policy ACD 401 (Prohibition Against Discrimination, Harassment and Retaliation) over the incident on November 26, 2016.

A letter sent to the complainant on July 31, 2016, by University Provost Mark Searle, states:

"I accept the finding of OEI =Office of Equity and Inclusion) that Respondent did grab the right breast of the woman in the photograph based on the consistent information provided by the female involved in the incident, two guests at the gala reception and dinner who actually witnessed the incident as it occurred from a distance of 20 feet and 10 to 15 feet, and two other guests who did not witness the incident but who were individually told about the incident."

With regard to your explanation that your raised your hand to shield your eyes from camera flash, the latter states "I do not find that explanation persuasive against the weight of the evidence from the other witness statements."

The letter states that ASU provided funding for your attendance at the meeting concerned though an in-country airfare and per diem reimbursements. It goes on to say that your conduct "created an offensive environment for academic pursuits by the unnamed female attendee as well as other conference attendees."

It concludes: "Responsive action will be taken to prevent a recurrence of this conduct."

Furthermore, the complainant says told us that she requests an apology from you, and for you to withdraw your comments, made to BuzzFeed News and in your 9-page statement <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1gAGpkAa2vwSMOtFD4iAfwfryTNJbJ_5/view>, that her original complaint was "fabricated with malicious intent."

If you have any comments on these developments, please do contact me by email or phone.

Sincerely,

Peter Aldhous

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