

COLLEGE STATION, TEX.,
February 28, 1968.

Hon. EDITH GREEN,
Chairman, Special Subcommittee on Education, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.:

Present administrative decision regarding draft status of graduate students portends to reduce fall 1968 enrollment of first and second year graduate students by 40 percent at Texas A. & M. University.

Urge you support act to not request graduate deferment but system pooling age groups and thus reducing potential impact on graduate education.

EARL ADDERS,
President, Texas A. & M. University System.

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.,
February 26, 1968.

Hon. EDITH GREEN,
U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.:

Effect of administration decision on the draft estimated to reduce number of graduate students at Harvard in the first year 10 percent to 35 percent depending on particular faculty. Loss of teaching fellows and research assistants estimated to be more than 100 in the first year. These losses obviously cumulative in succeeding years. Some system of pooling age groups would substantially reduce the losses expected under the present system.

NATHAN M. PUSEY.

BATON ROUGE, LA.,
February 26, 1968.

Representative EDITH S. GREEN,
Rayburn House Office Building,
Washington, D.C.:

Estimate from fifteen to twenty percent of entire graduate student body of 2800 at Louisiana State University would be affected by recent National Security Council ruling concerning draft deferment concur in opinion expressed by many colleagues. This policy will seriously affect already critical short supply of faculty and not serve best interests of national generally. Wholeheartedly support and urge adoption some method of random selection from pool of eligible men as proposed by American Council of Education and Association of American Colleges.

JOHN A. HUNTER,
President, Louisiana State University System.

LEWISBURG, PA.,
February 27, 1968.

Hon. EDITH GREEN,
Special Subcommittee on Education,
House Office Building,
Washington, D.C.:

Bucknell University like others faces severe dislocations as result of new draft deferment directive on graduate students, and urges change to pool age groups. Your support of this change is requested.

CHARLES H. WATTS,
President, Bucknell University.

YESHIVA UNIVERSITY,
New York, N.Y., February 26, 1968.

Hon. EDITH GREEN,
Chairman Special Subcommittee on Education, House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

MY DEAR MRS. GREEN: We at Yeshiva University are very much concerned over the new Selective Service regulations under which graduate students, with few exceptions, are subject to draft. We feel most strongly that this is a very shortsighted policy, one which will not only hurt American education, but which fails to take into account our acute needs for specialized manpower and goes against the national interest.