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SUBJECT: Formation of the Search Advisory Committee for the Dean of the Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies

As a result of an extraordinary \$25 million gift from Mr. Frederick S. Pardee (SMG'54, GSM'54, Hon. '06) Boston University is creating the Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies. The goal of the new school is to support education and scholarship aimed at improving the global human condition. The Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies will be housed in the College of Arts & Sciences and led by a Dean who will report to the Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences.

The Pardee School will have two divisions: one for regional studies and another for international studies. The former will bring together the college's areas studies programs—the [Center for the Study of Asia](#), the [Center for the Study of Europe](#), the [Latin American Studies Program](#), the [African Studies Center](#), the [Institute for the Study of Muslim Societies and Civilizations](#), and the new Middle East and North Africa Studies Program. The Pardee School's international studies division will incorporate the CAS international relations department along with additional faculty, offering the degrees the department currently awards.

We have established a process for selecting the new Dean of the Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies that recognizes the protocol for selecting a Dean that is outlined in the BU Faculty Handbook, and that also acknowledges that the Pardee School is not the equivalent of a free-standing school or college reporting to the Provost.

The Dean Search Advisory Committee for the Pardee School Dean will include:

- Two faculty members appointed by the University Provost, including the committee chair
- Two faculty members appointed by the Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences to represent the affiliated faculty of the Pardee School
- Two faculty members selected by the faculty of the CAS Department of International Relations
- One faculty member selected by the Faculty Council

The Pardee School Dean Search Advisory Committee will report its recommendations to both the University Provost and the Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences. It is imperative that we move expeditiously to establish the committee, so we are requesting that those responsible for appointing or selecting members submit the relevant names to us by Friday, January 21, 2014, so that we may finalize the committee and allow it to begin its work on January 27, 2014.

Administrative support to facilitate the work of the Pardee School Dean Search Advisory Committee will be provided by the Office of the University Provost.

The Pardee School Dean Search Advisory Committee is advisory to us both. The committee is charged with:

- Actively soliciting nominations for candidates from appropriate sources within the University;
- Evaluating the qualifications and assessing the strength of nominees and applicants;
- Presenting to us the names of 2-3 qualified candidates, outlining the strengths and limitations of each, for final selection by the President and approval by the Board of Trustees.

The position description for the Pardee School Dean is [attached](#). The members of the Pardee School Dean Search Advisory Committee should not vote as part of its process and deliberations. Rather, the work should be accomplished by discussion and consensus. Any individuals who would like to be considered for the position should not serve on the committee. We request that the committee conclude its work and submit its recommendations by February 21, 2014. Our goal is to have the new Dean appointed by Monday, March 3, 2014.

The new Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies is a tremendous opportunity for Boston University to further establish a national reputation in creating the next generation of leaders devoted to advancing the global human condition; identifying the inaugural Dean of the Pardee School is one of our most important first steps.

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