Executive Committee 19th July 2011

Imperial College Union

No Drugs Policy

A paper by the Deputy President (Finance & Services)

Imperial College Union will have zero tolerance approach to the possession and distribution of illegal substances. Anyone caught in possession of substances will be asked to leave or refused entry to our premises. Any quantity of illegal substances will be seized, logged and placed in the drugs safe using official police evidence bags. The substances shall be signed in by 2 people and deposited into the drugs safe, which will be emptied by the police.

If someone is caught in possession of what is deemed as excessive quantities of illegal substances or thought to be distributing illegal substances they are to be detained and the police contacted immediately.

All staff within commercial services shall undergo Drug awareness training at induction before they can commence work, where after they should be aware of the key signs and signals of drug misuse.

Anyone thought to be showing signs of distress should be taken to a designated safety zone. If someone is thought to have been spiked, a drug-testing strip should be used on their drink if it's still available. These shall be kept behind the bars.

It is unacceptable:

- To say it's not my problem.
- Allow usage or knowingly allow usage of drugs.
- Under no circumstances let a stranger take a person home.
- To increase panic through negative comments.
- Allow other people to stand and watch.

Statements shall be taken which include the following:

Date, time, name, location found, details of the person taking them home

The Student Advice Centre shall also receive a report.