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Yo, Sylvia Tubéns Castillo, Secretaria Ejecutiva del Senado Académico del Colegio Universitario de Cayey, CERTIFICO:

Que el Senado Académico, en su reunión ordinaria del jueves 6 de abril de 2000, tuvo ante su consideración el uso de las facilidades de las casas de huéspedes del Colegio, a petición del Departamento de Biología.

Luego de la exposición de rigor y de ponderar ampliamente este asunto, el Senado aprobó por unanimidad la siguiente

#### CERTIFICACIÓN:

El Senado Académico, a la luz de los documentos que se han presentado y por la importancia que estas instalaciones tienen para la comunidad académica, reclama que las casas de huéspedes de la Institución se utilicen para las funciones que fueron originalmente creadas, atendiendo especialmente el hecho de que el Departamento de Biología las necesita para cumplir con las obligaciones contraídas durante este verano.

Y, PARA QUE ASÍ CONSTE, expido la presente Certificación en Cayey, Puerto Rico, el día siete de abril de dos mil.

*Sylvia Tubéns Castillo*  
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Secretaria Ejecutiva

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*Rafael Rivera Lehman*

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# Departamento de Biología Universidad de Puerto Rico en Cayey

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2 de marzo de 2000

Lcdo. Rafael Rivera Lehman  
Rector y Presidente  
Senado Académico  
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Estimado Sr. Presidente:

En su reunión ordinaria el 24 de febrero de 2000, el Departamento de Biología aprobó una moción (ver anejo) para elevar al Senado Académico su preocupación sobre el uso adecuado de las casas de huéspedes para atender visitas de invitados de la comunidad académica.

Por lo tanto, por este medio solicito que se incluya en la agenda de una próxima reunión del Senado Académico el siguiente asunto:

Uso de las facilidades de las casas de huéspedes del Colegio.

Gracias por su consideración a esta petición.

Cordialmente,



Sen. Michael Rubin  
Representante del Departamento de Biología  
ante el Senado Académico

cf: Dra. Eneida Díaz  
Directora, Departamento de Biología  
Sr. José Luis Ortiz  
Decano Interino de Asuntos Administrativos  
Sra. Luz Miriam Berríos  
Directora, Oficina de Servicios Complementarios  
Miembros de la Comisión de Agenda, Senado Académico  
Sylvia Tubéns  
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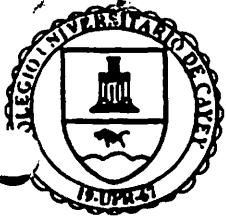
Moción

Presentada por el Dr. Robert Ross

El Departamento de Biología en reunión celebrada hoy, 24 de febrero del 2000, recomienda elevar al Senado Académico la preocupación del Departamento de Biología y el Programa RISE, sobre el uso inadecuado de las casas de huéspedes. Estas fueron preparadas para albergar los conferenciantes visitantes durante el año académico. Se han usado además para albergar los estudiantes participantes del curso intensivo que ofrece el Departamento de Biología en el verano. Sin embargo, están siendo ocupadas permanentemente y esto ha causado contratiempos a los usuarios de las casas.

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Patrono con Igualdad de Oportunidades en el Empleo



## RISE Program

March 20, 2000

Mr. Jose Luis Ortiz  
Interim Administrative Dean

Dear Mr. Ortiz,

The RISE Program sponsors over 15 invited speakers per semester to present talks and at times to interview students for summer research experiences. This collaboration enables CUC students to obtain over \$120,000 in summer stipends. Over the last fifteen years these invited scientists have stayed in the guest houses as part of the CUC support of the RISE Program. As requested by you today in our discussion, I can describe the following problems concerning the guest houses. Most are common problems of both Ms. Damaris Lugo (DL) and Mr. Luis Santiago (LS) and are therefore described in general terms with specific examples related to each.

1. The guest house is a public shared facility with common areas for all visitors. In both guest houses the kitchen and the dining/living room areas are filled with items which are private property. Examples of these include a bird cage with birds (DL), computer equipment covering the dining table (DL), an extensive stereo system with cables (LS), and the kitchen counter space covered with cooking devices (LS). These are the most obvious.
2. Several visiting speakers have vocalized that they have felt uncomfortable with Ms. Lugo and Mr. Santiago because the visitor considered that they were intruding into a private residence. Apparently Ms. Lugo and Mr. Santiago, or their personal friends/ family members, have intimidated invited guest of the college making them feel unwelcome. For example, Dr. Sammartano said that the mother of Ms. Lugo would watch her when she entered the guest house. Dr. Kirschner and his wife were accused of damaging the stereo equipment Mr. Santiago. As a result notes were posted telling them not to touch.
3. The guest room for the visiting university representative is a private room with a security lock on the door. However, in both guest houses this has been abused. Mr. Santiago has his personal computer on the only desk in the private room designated for visitors. Dr. Gold, Dr. Garrett, and Dr. Simmons commented that their rooms were occupied with boxes, equipment, or personal clothing of Mr. Santiago. Most recently, when Dr. Simmons arrived on Sunday at 6:45 PM, March 19, the guest room for him was open and set up like a study with a computer for Mr. Santiago. Later, away from the guest house, Dr. Simmons asked if his personal belongings were safe and if Mr. Santiago would also be using the room during his visit. In the case of Ms. Lugo, I have attached an email message from Dr. Sammartano, which has the same sentiment. The question is - are the private rooms of the guest secure?
4. The guest houses contain a refrigerator, stove, and phone which are part of the common public facility. In both guest houses, visitors have commented that the refrigerators are full and do not appear to be available for the guest. The phone in I-2 has the private answering machine of Mr. Santiago. A visitor's family trying to communicate with guests to this house receives Mr. Santiago's private phone message. . The question is - are the public items, such as refrigerator, stove, and phone, for private use only?

As the RISE Program Director, I am very concerned about these problems for invited visitors, and having the guest houses available for the summer students entering the program for this year. Mr. Santiago was particularly critical of the noise created by the students studying 'in his home' last summer. In addition, I hope that this can be resolved discreetly without future guests being effected.

If you have any further need of information, please do not hesitate to call, or write me.

Sincerely,

Robert Ross, Ph.D.

RISE Program Director

Attached: Email from Lauri Sammartano

PC: Dr. Ram Lamba, Academic Dean  
Mr. Rafael Rivera, CUC Chancellor  
Ms. Luz Miriam Berrios, Director of Support Services

Date: Thu, 16 Mar 2000 11:28:40 -0500  
From: 3sl@ornl.gov (Lauri Sammartano)  
Subject: thanks  
X-Sender: 3sl@email.cind.ornl.gov  
To: Robert Ross <R\_Ross@CAYEY1.UPR.CLU.EDU>

Hello Robert,

Thanks again for all of your hospitality while I was in Cayey. I enjoyed my trip and my interaction with you and the students. The accomodations were good and everyone was helpful. (You might want to see if Demara has a key to the rooms in the guest house. I thought I had locked my door when we went to dinner on Tuesday night. I came home to find my door slightly ajar and the pillow and blanket gone from the bed on which I was sleeping. Demara's mother was using it. Not a big deal since if asked I would have given her the extra pillow and blanket from my room anyway. Still makes me wonder how they got in there and why they thought they could go in there. I do not want to make a big deal of it - but thought you should know.)

Two questions: . . .

1. Will I see any of the feedback from the seminar?
2. When are Melissa and Elimarie scheduled to come to TN? I am going to travel to MN on Memorial weekend and planning a short vacation around that time. I can plan my trip around their arrival if I am going to need to pick them up at the airport etc. I will work out details with Helen once M. and E. are placed in labs.

Thanks again!

Lauri Sam