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To: Chancellors, Superintendents/Presidents, Accreditation Liaison Officers, and Other Interested Parties

From: Dr. Stephanie Droker, Vice President

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The ACCJC Policy Committee oversees the development of new policies and changes to existing policies.

Commission procedures generally provide that proposed policy changes and/or new policies be considered

by the Commission in a two-meeting process. At the first meeting, new policies/policy changes are discussed

and modifications are made as appropriate (first-reading). These policies are then circulated to ACCJC's member

institutions and other interested parties for review and comment before presentation at the next scheduled

Commission meeting for second-read and adoption.

At its January 2018 meeting, the Commission considered the following policy changes for first-read:

1. **Policy on Contractual Relationships with Non-Regionally Accredited Organizations** – this policy has been revised to narrow the policy focus on contracts regarding for-credit educational programming.
2. **Policy on Substantive Change** – the policy was reviewed by the Commission's Substantive Change Committee as part of their regular review of the Substantive Change Manual. Language has been added to define an institution's new location as a "permanent" location. Minor edits were also done for clarity.

To review these policy changes, please visit <https://accjc.org/announcement/invitation-member-comments-proposed-changes-on-policies-first-read/>.

#### Comments from the Field

Following its Bylaws, the ACCJC invites comments from the field on these policy revisions.

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Therefore, we request that

you publicize the information in this memo at your institution and disseminate it to all constituency groups. Written

comments may be emailed to [accjc@accjc.org](mailto:accjc@accjc.org), and must be received by **Friday, April 27, 2018** in order to be considered.

All comments received by the due date will be reviewed by the ACCJC Policy Committee. The committee will incorporate

any changes into the policies, which will then be presented to the Commission for second-reading and action at the June

2018 meeting. Additionally, the policies will be on the Commission's open meeting agenda, and anyone interested may

comment on the policies and the proposed changes directly to the Commission during the public comment session

and prior to the Commission taking action.

On behalf of Dr. Stephanie Droker,

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