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Charges to the Task Force

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Consistent with our wish to establish an environment within the University in which the full potential of every individual may be realized, we have appointed a Task Force on Blacks. The Task Force has been charged:

(1) To assess the present status of Blacks -- students, faculty, and staff -- at The University of Tennessee, Knoxville. The assessment should be based on a thorough study of the involvement of Blacks in all University programs and activities.

(2) To recommend to the Chancellor or appropriate University groups programs, activities, procedures, and policies which will improve the quality of life for Blacks in the University community.

The Task Force has begun to define the programs and activities it will examine and to construct methodologies to implement its work. In the weeks and months ahead, many of you will be asked to provide information to the Task Force. Such requests for information will follow normal organizational structures expeditiously to achieve full understanding and concurrence at each level of responsibility.

Your cooperation is essential to the effective performance of its work. I urge your full response to and support of the efforts of this Task Force.