



Interfraternity Council

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Request for Information
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From: Fiyi Adebekun, IFC Judicial Committee Chair

To: Nic Minudri, Phi Beta Epsilon President

CC: Liz Jason, Assistant Dean, FSILGs

James Reed, Assistant Dean, Student Conduct and Community Standards

Dear Nic,

This letter is to notify you of the resolution of the report from the Dean On Call that alleged that Phi Beta Epsilon members used a snow machine inside the chapter house that set off a fire alarm during an event on November 20, 2021. Based on this information, Phi Beta Epsilon may have violated the following policy:

MIT Mind and Hand Book

II (7). Disorderly Conduct ([full text here](#))

MIT prohibits disorderly conduct. Disorderly conduct is defined as any unreasonable or reckless conduct by an individual or group that is inherently or potentially unsafe to other persons or to their real or personal property ...Disorderly conduct includes making unreasonable noise, disrupting a lawful meeting, obstructing pedestrian or vehicle traffic, or creating a hazardous situation.

II (8). Fire Safety ([full text here](#))

Members of the MIT community are prohibited by Massachusetts law and MIT regulations from committing fire and safety violations, including but not limited to: ...tampering with firefighting equipment, fire-alarm systems, fire protection sprinklers, or smoke detectors...

After reviewing your response, I have decided to resolve this case administratively. Based on the information in the report, I find Phi Beta Epsilon not responsible for violating the policies listed above. As stated in the response, the snow machine does not use a heating component to generate snow so it is not considered a fire hazard. In addition, the response clarified that the fire alarm was never deactivated. Going forward, I strongly encourage your chapter to develop a solution to the humidity issue to prevent the alarm from being triggered accidentally again.

Sincerely,

Fiyi Adebekun

Judicial Committee Chair, MIT Interfraternity Council

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