Dear Deans, Directors, and Department Chairs:

At the request of Robert Waters, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs and Special Assistant to the President for Equity and Diversity, a committee of campus faculty and staff is reviewing the Office of Human Relations Programs (OHRP). OHRP’s mission is to:
1. serve as the campus compliance office;
2. develop and implement a broad range of proactive multicultural educational programs; and
3. promote excellence through diversity.

The office’s current activities and services include its Intergroup Dialogue Programs, diversity training, and compliance enforcement/monitoring. A comprehensive picture of the office may be found online at www.ohrp.umd.edu.

The committee was charged with the specific tasks of:
- evaluating the overall effectiveness of the office;
- determining how well the University community feels served by the office; and
- examining the director’s effectiveness in leading the office.

If you have comments to share relative to the committee’s charge, please forward your thoughts to my assistant, Diane James, djames1@umd.edu, by April 24th.

Thank you,
Jim Newton, Chair
OHRP Review Committee