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TO: Members of the International Programs Advisory Committee

RE: Deans Report and Input on the Alumni Awards Program

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I want to express my sincere thanks to all members of the committee who have worked so hard on behalf of the International Programs and Study Abroad Offices during the past year. Your contributions are deeply appreciated. In particular let me thank and praise Dr. Dagni Bredesen for her leadership as Council Chair and Steve Canfield for his leadership as Vice Chair. Your commitment to international education is admired and appreciated.

Today's discussion on the Pilot Proposal to Pool Tuition Funds was so important that I did not want to interrupt the discussion to give my report, but I want to update you on several items and I need your input on one of the ideas suggested for the awards program in September.

**Report:**

- Provost Lord and I will leave for Europe on Thursday, May 10 and visit the following exchange, study abroad, and alumni sites: Harlexton, England, Maastricht, Netherlands, Lunenburg, Germany, Rome, Italy, and Athens Greece. I will do a comprehensive review for the Board at its first fall meeting.
- The issue of tuition waiver scholarships for study abroad students remains in discussion along with discussion of monetary awards. I will provide an update next Fall.

**Input:**

- *In consultation with the Office of External Relations, we have identified the title **2007 Global Ambassador** as the title for our Fall award recipients. Are there any objections to using this as the title of recognition? Let me know by a simple reply to Sandi of your view.*