

Statement from North Carolina Central University Concerning Indictments Related to the Historically Minority Colleges and Universities Consortium (HMCUC)

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North Carolina Central University is committed to ensuring that the university conducts its affairs in a manner consistent with our values, as well as University of North Carolina policy and state statues. The findings revealed in the review conducted by the State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) into the Historically Minority Colleges and University Consortium (HMCUC) are a direct result of the audit first initiated by former Chancellor Charlie Nelms. In 2009, Chancellor Nelms began an internal audit and investigation into HMCUC. After uncovering alleged civil and criminal activity, NCCU referred the audit to the North Carolina Office of the State Auditor (OSA) for review in 2010.

North Carolina Central University applauds the OSA and SBI for conducting a thorough examination of HMCUC. We are satisfied with the work undertaken by both agencies in collaboration with the Durham County District Attorney in pursuing the recommendations of the audit led by OSA. NCCU takes seriously the matter of compliance and fiscal management and will continue to hold all personnel and departments accountable. The university is pleased that this matter has been fully investigated.