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From: Amy Koh on behalf of University Budget Office

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 9:07 AM **Subject:** FY20 Year-End: Bank Operations

Dear Finance and Budget Leaders,

As President Zimmer disclosed in early May, the financial impacts of COVID-19 on the University's FY20 financials are significant. Third quarter estimates showed the University would end the year with a \$220 million deficit. While the University's books won't close until the auditors complete their work later this month, preliminary FY20 results continue to point to a deficit in that range.

The significant variance from the University's planned budget for FY20 presents a fiscal reality that requires us to reevaluate the unrestricted central bank system. As the Provost has conveyed to Deans and Officers in recent meetings, we will not make entries to the bank for FY20 year-end results. Bank balances will remain at current levels. We will review the future of the bank system as the year unfolds and leave open the option of reinstating bank operations for FY21.

Thank you for your work on behalf of the University's students, faculty and staff.

Best regards,

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