Resolution of the Student Body of CUNY School of Law October 11, 2011

Whereas it was recently revealed in multiple press reports that the New York Police Department (NYPD) has been involved in undercover intelligence gathering targeting Muslim studentz organizations and at least one member of the faculty on multiple campuses of the City University of New York (CUNY), including Queens College, Brooklyn College, Baruch College, Hunter College, City College, and LaGuardia Community College;

Whereas the official documents cited in press reports indicate that these investigations are not Whereas the use of undercover police agents and the cultivation of police informers on campus based on specific allegations of criminal wrongdoing, but take the form of general background intelligence gathering;

in the reported circumstances has a chilling effect on the intellectual freedom necessary for a vibrant academic community;

Whereas these actions may be in violation of the legal and civil rights of the groups and individuals targeted for surveillance; and

Whereas, presence of the NYPD in a non-emergency situation on any CUNY campus without prior request or approval by CUNY officials appears to violate the NYPD-CUNY Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Police Response to Incidents and Events Occurring at the City University of New York;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Student Government and undersigned student organizations of CUNY School of Law join the faculty of the law school and of Brooklyn College in opposing surveillance activities by the NYPD and affiliated agencies on CUNY campuses either directly or through the use of informants for the purposes of collecting information independent of a valid and specific criminal investigation; and

Be it further resolved that we call upon CUNY's central administration to issue their own public statement outlining their opposition to on-campus surveillance based on the principle of academic freedom and on a robust commitment to civil liberties, as well as to detail their knowledge of or involvement in this surveillance and information gathering; and

Be it further resolved that we call upon CUNY's central administration to demand publicly that the NYPD inform those groups and individuals that have been the subject of this surveillance of the fact of the surveillance and the nature of the information gathered; and

Be it further resolved that we call on Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly to account publicly for the extent of NYPD surveillance of CUNY students and faculty; and

Be it further resolved that we call on the New York City Council to exercise meaningful and transparent civilian oversight on the NYPD's surveillance activities targeting New Yorkers in our public university system; and

Be it further resolved that we call on Mayor Michael Bloomberg to stand up for the rights of CUNY students and faculty and to apologize for his statements implying that Muslim CUNY students are more likely to be involved in suspicious activity and have to be monitored. **Be it further resolved** that we call upon students of all CUNY institutions to publicly oppose these practices of the NYPD.

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OUTLaws of CUNY School of Law

Islamic Justice Initiative (CUNY School of Law)

Inter-American Comparative Law Student Association of CUNY School of Law

Domestic Violence Coalition (DVC)

Black Law Students Association (BLSA) of CUNY School of Law

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