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The Important Aspects of the Self-Study Corner:

--THE SELF-STUDY REPORT IS APPROVED AND MAILED TO THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION:

The Steering Committee approved the report on Wednesday, November 6th and the final conclusions were presented to the Chancellor on November 7th. Final editorial revisions will be completed the week of November 11th and the document will be mailed on November 15th. Copies of the final report will be distributed to campus offices just prior to the Thanksgiving Holiday. Many thanks to all who contributed to office self-studies, working committee drafts, and the final report! The report contains 94 conclusions, 16 of which recommend further work to meet criteria and 78 of which recommend further planning considerations.

--THE PREPARATION OF THE UNIVERSITY FOLLOW-UP PLAN: The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools asks that, as the next step in the self-study process, the University formulate a **Follow-up Plan** which will address how the University intends to respond to the conclusions in the Self-Study Report. Dr. Eakin has asked the Self-Study Office to prepare a draft of a plan which will summarize what has already been done and what still needs to be done regarding the 16 criteria where further work is needed and which will also analyze where in the University's operational plans the other 78 conclusions are already receiving attention or where they should receive attention. Division Heads, Deans, and Directors should expect specific correspondence from the Self-Study Office on these matters very soon. The draft of this plan will be presented to the Chancellor on November 26th. When finalized by the Chancellor, this plan will be distributed through the Divisions and sent to the Southern Association. Progress under this Follow-up Plan will be reported in the *Self-Study Addendum*, which will be prepared by the Steering Committee in February 1992 and mailed to the Visiting Committee just before their March visit.

What should Offices Be Doing Now for the Committee Visit?

- (1) Reserve March 23-26, 1992 on your calendar.
- (2) Review the 94 conclusions in the self-study report.
- (3) Continue working on "Part 3" plans from your own office self-study.
- (4) Integrate your office self-study goals & any relevant conclusions from the Self-Study Report into your strategic and operational planning.
- (5) Bring to hand brief written statements in answer to the four SACS questions listed in the October [and earlier] Newsletters.

Remaining SACS Self-Study Calendar:

1990-92 ECU Self-Study Report mailed to SACS:	November 15, 1991
University Follow-up Plan written & sent:	November 26, 1991
Self-Study Addendum sent to Visiting Committee:	February 28, 1992
SACS Committee Visit:	March 23-26, 1992
SACS Visiting Committee Report:	April-May, 1992
Possible University Responses & Follow-ups:	Summer-Fall, 1992
SACS Vote on reaffirmation of accreditation:	December, 1992