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PUBLIC STATEMENT ON HEBREW COLLEGE

At its meeting on April 16 and 17, 2009, the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) acted to place Hebrew College on probation. Probation is a public status; the information provided below is in accord with the Commission's policy on release of information.

This action was taken following a review of the College's Annual Report on Finance and Enrollment. That report was considered by the Commission at its meeting in March 2009, at which time the Commission acted to ask the institution to "show cause" why its accreditation should not be terminated. Through the show cause process at the April 2009 meeting, the Commission found that, as a result of progress and plans made by the College, the institution has shown cause to retain its accreditation. However, Hebrew College was placed on probation because it does not currently meet the Commission's standard on Financial Resources, one of eleven *Standards for Accreditation*. In placing Hebrew College on probation, the Commission has determined that its failure to meet one of the Commission's standards represents a condition that can be remedied by the institution within two years.

Hebrew College remains accredited during the period of probation.

Institutions on probation are subject to close monitoring by the Commission. Hebrew College will submit a report to the Commission for consideration at the Commission's March 2010 meeting addressing the Commission's concerns and will undergo a comprehensive evaluation in Fall 2010, to be considered by the Commission at one of its Spring 2011 meetings.

Probation may be appealed through a process established by the NEASC Trustees. Consistent with federal regulations, the period of probation is limited to two years, unless extended by the Commission for good cause.

The Commission on Institutions of Higher Education (CIHE), a constituent element of NEASC, accredits 239 degree-granting institutions in the six New England states; it is recognized by the United States Department of Education. CIHE is one of seven regional higher education accrediting commissions.

This statement has been reviewed and approved by the institution.

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