Moses: Course VI needs limit

By Andrew L. Fish

"I see no alternative to restricting
admissions to Course VI (the computer
science major)," said Professor Joel M.
Rosenbluth, head of the Department of
Mechanical Engineering and Computer Science.

"Open enrollment has resulted in a large
increase in the number of students," he said.
"We have to limit the number of students in Course VI because
our facilities are becoming overcrowded.

The Committee on Undergradu-
atute Admissions and Financial Aid (CUAFA) was instructed by the
dean of students to consider restricting admissions to Course VI if
the benchmarks were not met.

Moses expressed surprise at the
increase in CUAFA enrollment.
He expected that the current re-
cession in the computer and elec-
tronics industries would lead to
lesser interest in graduate studies.

Moses blamed the increase in the
department on a lack of
"jawboning." He felt that the students were not sufficiently aware of
other options.

"We [CUAFA] hope for more
freedom next year," Moses said.
Instead, the department would
be expected to provide more
resources, he predicted.

"I expect CUAFA will
vote for a restriction." he said.

"I don't think we can say be-
freshman class,obutton what the circumstances are,
said Professor Kenneth R. Manning, chairman of CUAFA.
CUAFA would have all relevant
material ready by its meeting this
Friday and would make a deci-
sion on restricting admissions at
that time, he said. The decision
would not be made by CUAFA,
Manning stressed, although the
department would have represen-
tatives at the meeting.

Admissions office
how to implement restrictions

Director of Admissions Mi-
chael F. Moore said the Admis-
sions Office has no plans on how
admissions might be restricted.
The plan approved by the de-
partment was expected by
1984 and said the restriction should
be spread throughout the clas.
He said, the faculty also specified
examples of how the new restric-
tions would differ appropriately
from pursuing scientific and tech-
nical careers.

If CUAFA approves restric-
tions, Moore said the Admissions
Office would determine if the restriction will
be done randomly or would be
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ODSA to bring faculty
to undergraduate dorms

By Irene Skricki

The Office of the Dean for Stu-
dent Affairs (ODSA) will initiate a Faculty Fellows program as par-
t of a plan to improve MIT's un-
dergraduate advising system. Un-
der the program, each dormitory will have at least two faculty members associated with it who will meet with students on a social basis.

The purpose of the program is to increase student-faculty con-
tact and to provide students with
the opportunity to get to know faculty from all ranks involved in
the selection of their current residence. In the fall of 1986, 11.8 percent of the males responded similarly.

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Class of ’89 oversubscribes to EECS; MIT may restrict majors next year

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by Thomas Behnke

The faculty called for the restriction, which applies to 25 percent of admitted students. Behnke felt that it might be possible to apply the restriction to fewer students.

The Admissions Office is comparing students of major with the statement of intended major on their applications in order to attempt to judge ECEG enrollments for the incoming freshman class continues.

Next year’s class, which will be smaller than the present freshman class, has about 100 fewer students interested in EEEs, Behnke said. This is due in part to an increase in the number of women in the class, who Behnke said are less likely to enroll in EEEs. Behnke was hopeful that improved public relations would provide a broadened applicant pool. The Admissions Office is currently preparing several new publications and a slide show to promote various aspects of the school, he said.

There is no question that restricted enrollment would have an adverse effect on admissions,” Behnke said. He declined to estimate the impact, however.

CUSA should “look at what we are trying to achieve and not get carried away with the numbers,” said Professor Arthur C. Smith, former chairman of the faculty. Smith was asked if the CEP when it proposed the admissions limitation.

“If EEE enrollments decrease from last year any temptation to restrict would not be so hard,” Smith said. “If we’re waiting back up again, that’s another thing. It’s a problem of exercising judgment.”

“Nobody wants to take this action,” Smith emphasized. He suggested that the faculty might want to reconsider its vote.

“If it’s unlikely that the numbers would be that large that we would definitely restrict admissions,” Smith said.

Cään protests at Corporation meeting

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some other universities the faculty would have been demonstrating alongside the students.

“The faculty has a lot of different things that they want to do,” Smith replied. They might be working in labs or teaching, he explained. “MIT is a very different place.”

One protester suggested that the faculty should have a voice on the Corporation and asked why there is no provision in the faculty charter which would be binding on the Corporation.

“The faculty has never asked for such a voice, but when the faculty really wants something...they usually get it,” Smith said.

He agreed to the protester’s description of MIT as a benign Corporation.

Several coalition members asked the Campus Police officers and that a new committee was actually meeting in 10-340. “I don’t know,” Smith said. The Executive Committee does not usually announce its meeting locations.

Rosen refused to name the source of his information about the location of the meeting.

Coalition speaks with Saxson

After the demonstration had moved to Gray’s office, Contreras asked to meet with Gray’s secretary. When she came out of the office, Contreras demanded that Gray send all members of the Corporation copies of the letter from Gray to the coalition explaining the administration’s position on the filming of the shanty destruction.

Once the secretary re-entered the office, the protesters sat down along the walls of the corridor outside.

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US space effort crippled

NASAs failure to launch a Titan rocket yesterday that na- tion's ability to lift commercial, scientific and military sat- ellites into space is crippled for the near future after the third consecutive failure in its major new booster in 14 weeks.

The attempt came from mystified and demoralized officials after a Delta rocket carrying a weather satellite lost power and crashed at space center Saturday evening over Cape Canaveral, FL, forcing controllers to destroy the craft and its $57.5 million payload from the ground.

The loss of the rocket was the latest in a streak of failures by the American launcher that usually would only mark an expensive annoyance to the space agency. However, the failure comes on the heels of the explosion of an Air Force Titan rocket, the chief vehi- cle and its $57.5 million payload from the ground.

The loss of the rocket was also named the American League Pitcher of the Week.

The Supremes has agreed to take up the issue of recent nuclear accidents involving violations of anti-terrorism laws and nuclear safety, as well as a set of anti-terrorist measures adopted from a British draft. The possible mea- sures included economic restraints, extradition and better cooperation in policing terrorism. Some specific proposals introduced by the United States were rejected as too sweeping.

The statement on nuclear safety will express sympathy for the victims of the recent accident in Chernobyl in the Ukraine. It might also include recommendations that con- struction and operating procedures be improved to en- hance safety. The Japanese suggested that the Interna- tional Atomic Energy Agency, in Vienna, be used to spur international cooperation on nuclear safety.

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I shudder as I read through the speech of Margaret L. MacVicar '87 on technological form ("MIT's mission is to prepare leaders for a world based on technology," April 29). I admire the insight and understanding of the short-comings of no undergraduate education, but I ask myself, "Will changing courses requirements and modifying course material have any effect on the quality of education?"

She said, "...freshmen may move more open, enthusiastic than when they leave here four years later..." Even freshmen are subjected to stringent requirements and be required to schedule in order to be inspired in engineering and science professors will rarely talk to them unless the students are interested in courses. If a professor is actually interested in students is not graded fairly. If teaching assistants do not care to know their students. Or if more than half of the students in a class are sleeping..."

Student reactions to MIT's short-comings include the following:

1) Passive acceptance. These students do all of the work and "accept things the way they are." These are the studens who use the other Athena work stations and "graders" as their guides. They are not interested in the computing of the Student and do not care to know their students. Or if more than half of the students in a class are sleeping...

2) Extreme cynicism. Undergraduates skip classes and learn on their own, neglect important material and assignments. After the tests and homework, take Wellesley classes or dope out of material. For example, the problem of student input, "April 11". He said that trying to form an important student group, he has heard of many Wellesley students who are involved in the Student Government. From my perspective, trying to form an important student group, I have heard of many Wellesley students who are involved in the Student Government. From my perspective, trying to form an important student group, I have heard of many Wellesley students who are involved in the Student Government. From my perspective, trying to form an important student group, I have heard of many Wellesley students who are involved in the Student Government.

3) Act resistance. Such students present, sit in faculty committees, or write letters to The Tech. While I do not mean to detract from the faculty and the administration, I am afraid that they are afraid to deal with fundamental issues that affect the quality of education here. Such issues have nothing to do with course content or curriculum issues. Rather, they have to do with the way students, faculty, and policy are handed to one another. Unfortunately, the rhetoric about Project Athena reform its curriculum may be living at the most vital time.

When I first came to MIT, I believed that many of the short-comings of an MIT education are inherent to college. Then I woke up.

The other day, I sat in on an introductory humanities course at Wellesley. On the day I went, a few students of the led a debate. I was surprised to see that even as a student got involved in the debate. Never before had I seen so much enthusiasm in a classroom. I also read a statement issued by the dean of Wellesley College. Wellesley seriously considers student opinions when it makes decisions regarding faculty appointments, tenure and salaries, it said. Wellesley officially recognizes such opinions by issuing a Student Evaluation Questionnaire, which is located at the most vital time.

Such examples are rare at MIT. I have heard too many Wellesley exchange student'scomplain about the poor quality of education here.

This past week, I decided to spend next week at Wellesley. I have even seriously considered writing science distribution subject questions. Wellesley in order to avoid being a little fish swimming against the MIT tidal wave with no one to help.

Some of my friends tell me that it's true. But I have learned how to enjoy MIT and adapt to it. I tell them that I have learned from the hell that the majority of undergraduates have gone through.

There is a better solution, one that involves everyone at MIT. Let's find the individual voices. The Institute must hire faculty and TAs who have strong interests and abilities in both education and research. They should get students involved in the decision-making process similar to the way Wellesley gets its students involved. Not only would the quality of education here improve significantly, but the administrative would have more say. MIT should increase their awareness of students and increase their understanding of the social and environmental issues.

The faculty must try to actively engage students whenever possible. Little things such as seeing a class a round a table and bringing in current issues relevant to the course material are enough to stimulate critical thinking and debate. If the faculty seek out students when they are having trouble with work or sleeping classes, student morale will improve immediately.

The Office of Admissions must attract students who will best reflect the character of changes that are interested not only in science but also in understanding the social and political environment.

Educational reform is a good idea. But when we overlook quality, we overlook the essence of reform.
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MIT must explain reasons for spying on its students
To the Editor:

In regard to the recent controversy over the filming of several activities of the MIT Coalition Against Apartheid (CAA), the first thing to be pointed out is that such filming in public areas is entirely legal. Moreover, it is important to note that the documentation of such events can only record true events and it is, in and of itself, a neutral act.

As a result of our meeting, and in response to recent campus sentiment, CAA has invited representatives of the Coalition Against Apartheid to present their concerns in a meeting with the MIT Journalism Committee in two weeks. CAA will then work out and propose the next step to facilitate communication. This format does not preclude these possibilities for interest groups meeting directly with other Corporation members or groups. We believe this step for CAA is in the spirit of the Corporation's declared commitment to continuing discussion on South Africa.

Emmy V. Wade '45
Chairman, CJAC

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The burst watermain last month. Many people walk on it each day dragging sand off it. Please let this message serve as a notice of dissatisfaction.

Ron Indeck '86
Director, Project Athena

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Opinion
SPRING WEEKEND '86

Layout by Shari L. Jackson
Alain Jourgensen of Ministry at the Spring Weekend concert.

Ministry was also called back for an encore. Apparently pleased and perhaps surprised by the audience response, Jourgensen declared, "I'm glad to report that there are no f-in' Reagan youth in the audience tonight!"

A commendation must go to the SCC and all involved for providing the MIT community with this yearly chance to see quality bands at reasonable prices, an opportunity that many might not have otherwise had.
MIT Concert Band does not put up to play what the concert itself much to desired. The final four pieces all sounded similar — similarly uninteresting. Corley and Ajhar seldom not have had sufficient rehearsed time with the band to show off the many facets of his playing this reviewer has heard from the band. The six-song set included two ballads, several original compositions and arrangements, and a good helping of the cliche tunes of Kresge, a well-designed concert hall. It was a good and exciting piece, but Ed- Ward Adajr '67 conducted the piece at a high, almost uniform volume. I don't think the band had enough time to get the acoustics of Kresge, well-designed concert hall, in which everything can be heard very clearly.

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Another such widening of scope occurred in the early 20th century. It originated in art.

Think Tank, As Found, CONTEMPORARY ART

thinking of Surrogates by Alan McCollum, now at the ICA. The present exhibition is woefully small compared to the range of issues it covers, and not entirely unambiguous for that. Its emphasis is shifted with respect to the 1966 precursor: rather than the found object as the subject of Duchamp, it addresses appropriation in art in general. Indeed, virtually the only exhibit which displays the original exalation of the everyday object is the collage Apollinaire Enamoured by Duchamp himself. On a less elementary plane there are edited versions of Balush and the original Body Snatchers. But in Barbara Kruger's photographs, dramatically magnified and endowed with a metaphysical tenor, or Jenny Holzer's admonitions on a message unit machine, the role of the Found Object seems marginal at best. Yet there are some items which carry the appropriated effort further. Sherrie Levine's After Walker Evans would have to be included in this category, as would many of the other exhibits. Now, as the final in a series of retrospectives commemorating its 50th birthday, the ICA presents a sort of update of that show.

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Sports Update

Heavyweight 2nd in Cochrane Cup

The men's varsity heavyweight crew finished second to the University of Wisconsin Saturday in the annual Cochrane Cup race. Rowing into a strong headwind on the Charles River, the first varsity boat edged out third-place Dartmouth by 1.2 seconds. Wisconsin won by a boat length.

MIT's second varsity eight finished third in their race.

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Lightweight crew fared better than the varsity against Yale on Saturday. They narrowly beat the Yale frosh, while the first varsity eight lost by a boat length and the second varsity finished far behind Yale's second boat. Both heavy and lightweight men's crews will travel to Lake Quinsigamond next weekend for the EARC Sprints.

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The freshman men's baseball squad lost to Brandeis on Saturday 9-4. They played Northeastern yesterday and face Bentley on Thursday to wrap up the season.

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