Drug, alcohol, hazing policies undergo major modifications
Revised policies relevant to many aspects of student life

Alcohol Policy
The updated alcohol policy newly forbids "engaging in drinking games or other activities involving rapid and/or excessive consumption of alcohol on campus or in Institute-approved housing." On the rationale for the new rule, Associate Dean and working group member Judy Robinson told The Tech that during drinking games "people tend to drink faster and more volume, so it’s a health and safety concern," adding that the policy "is a fairly standard practice at most institutions." Also newly prohibited is alcohol distributed from a "quantity dispensing source" like kegs or punch bowls, except at registered events. According to Robinson, fraternity, sorority, and independent living groups, except at registered events. She emphasized that the working group itself was only responsible for writing, not implementing, the updated policies.

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Germany to arm Kurds battling Islamic State

BERLIN — Chancellor Angela Merkel told lawmakers Monday that her government had decided to break with a taboo on delivering weapons to conflict zones because Germany’s military security threat from the extremisms of the Islamic State.

Merkel and top ministers decided Sunday to deliver thou-
sands of machine guns, as well as antitank missiles and ar-
mored vehicles to Kurdish forces battling the Islamic State in northern Iraq.

The deliveries — from existing German army stocks, and worth an estimated 70 million euros, or almost $92 million — will take place in stages in the coming weeks, the Defense Ministry said.

Australia, as it was the 75th anniversary of the Nazi invasion of Poland. Merkel went before Parliament on Monday to justify the arms decision.

She evoked scenes of mass terrorism and killing in the Middle East and said of the Islamic State, “Anything which defies common sense and their view of the world they simply ex-

In sum, she said, “A religion is being abused in the most terrible way.”

She added, “The far-reaching destabilization of a whole region affects Germany, and Europe.”

Before going into detail on Iraq, she recalled that Nazi Germany invaded Poland on Sept. 1, 1939, starting a war which, together with Nazi crimes, caused millions to die.

“We Germans will never forget this,” and it has under-

When the hearings are over, the government can decide to arm the areas it wishes without the authorization of legislators. In a nonbinding vote, lawmakers overwhelmingly backed the government.

By Steven Greenhouse

The next round of strikes by fast-

food workers demanding higher wages is scheduled for Thursday, and this time, labor organizers plan to increase the pressure by staging widespread civil disobedience and having thousands of home-care workers join the protests.

The organizers say fast-food workers — who are seeking a $15 hourly wage — will go on strike at restaurants in more than 300 cit-

ies and engage in sit-ins in more than a dozen cities. But by having home-care workers join, workers and union leaders hope to expand their campaign into a broader movement.

At a convention that was held outside Chicago in July, 1,300 fast-

food workers unanimously ap-
pproved a resolution calling for civil disobedience as a way to step up pressure on the fast-food chains they’re going to use nonviolent civil disobedience as a way to call attention to what they’re facing,” said Mary Kay Henry, president of the Service Employees International Union, which has spent millions of dollars helping to underwrite the campaign. “They’re invoking civil rights history to make the case that these jobs ought to be paid $15 and the companies ought to recognize a union.”

Fast-food chains and many franchise operators have said that $15 an hour was unrealistic and would wipe out profit margins at many restaurants. Some business groups have attacked the campaign as a futile and failing union movement to rally a new group of workers.

Some franchise operators have dismissed the walkout, saying that in previous one-day strikes, only a handful of employees at their res-


tarians walked out, barely disrupt-

ing business.

But organizers say that workers walked out at restaurants in 50 cit-

ies nationwide during the last one-
day strike in May, closing several of them for part of the day, with soli-
darity protests held in 30 countries.

The SEIU, which represents hun-
dreds of thousands of health care

workers and janitors, is encour-
aging home-care aides to march

and protest in more cities in future strikes. Jasmine Altman, a union organizer, said the $350 she took home weekly was barely enough to

support herself and her 11-year-old daughter. “I work very hard — I’m under-

paid,” she said. “We deserve a good life, too. We want to provide a nice future to our kids, but how can you provide a good life, how can you plan for the future, when you’re scraping by day to day?”

Three Americans held in North Korea plead for US help

By Choe Sang-Hun

THE NEW YORK TIMES

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SOUTH KOREA — South Korea — North Korea granted two U.S. news orga-
nizations interviews with three in-
carcerated Americans on Monday, the longest-held prisoner, Kenneth Bae, told CNN, he was working at a labor camp.

“V4e been going back and forth from hospital to the labor camp for last year and a half,” the longest-held prisoner, Kenneth Bae, told CNN, who was working at a labor camp.

Bar, 46, a Christian missionary, was arrested after having arrived in the North in late 2012. He was sen-

tenced to 15 years of hard labor for the “anti-state” crime of trying to build an underground proselytizing network within the North with the aim of toppling its government.

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Islamic State adds cluster bombng to its tactics

By Rick Gladstone

The Islamic State, the extrem- ist militia group now almost uni- versally vilified for atrocities that include beheadings, summary mass executions and enslavement in the areas it occupies as it seeks to control, and has had successes with cluster bombs, the banned weapons that kill and maim indiscriminately, Human Rights Watch said Monday.

Steven Gooze, the arms division director of Human Rights Watch, said in a statement that “credible evidence” had emerged that Islamic State forces used ground-fired cluster munitions on July 12 and Aug. 14 during fighting with Kurdish militia members in Aleppo province near the northern Syrian border with Turkey.

“The use of cluster munitions by nonstate actors such as the Islamic State shows the urgent need for Syria and all nations that have not yet done so to ban the use of cluster munitions and destroy their stock- piles,” Human Rights Watch said in the statement.

The group cited reports by Kurd- ish officials and photographic evi- dence to corroborate its assertions, saying that at least four Kurdish fighters and a civilian had been killed by the cluster munitions attacks.

Human Rights Watch said it was unclear how the Islamic State had acquired the munitions, which Syria- n government forces also have used repeatedly despite worldwide condemnation.

 Fired by rockets, mortars and artillery or dropped from aircraft, cluster bombs explode in midair, hunting hundreds of lethal sub- munitions known as bomblets over a wide area. Many of the bomblets fail to explode immediately, effec- tively creating booby traps for the unsuspecting.

Last week the Cluster Munition Coalition, an organization of ad- vocacy groups including Human Rights Watch, said in an annual re- port that Syrian government forces had used cluster bombs starting in 2012 in their campaign to crush an insurmounting, surging Iraq’s use of the weapons in the 2006 war in Croatia and a decision being considered by the global treaty banning their use in 2008.

“The Human Rights Watch report came on the eve of the Cluster Mu- nition Coalition’s annual meeting, to be held Tuesday through Fri- day in San Jose, Costa Rica, where compliance with the treaty will be discussed. Aside from Syria, cluster bomb use has been reported this year in the conflicts in South Sudan and Ukraine. None are among the 122 countries that have signed the treaty. Forty-one have not signed, including the United States, Russia and China, though all three coun- tries abide by the treaty’s provisions.

St. Louis Rams cut Michael Sam, the first openly gay NFL draft pick

By Ken Belson

Michael Sam, the first openly gay player drafted by an NFL team, was cut by the St. Louis Rams on Saturday.

The move came as teams across the league reduced their squads to 53 players, and is bound to raise questions about the role of Sam’s sexuality in the decision.

In May, Sam was drafted at the end of the seventh round despite being named the top defensive end of the Southeastern Con- ference his senior year at the Uni- versity of Missouri.

He said he looked forward to “the most worthwhile things in life, being a father.” 

The advocate, Leila Zerrougui, the special representative of the secretary general for children and armed conflict, also said that “the United Nations has received reports that the Islamic State had abducted girls from minority communities and forced them into marriage, but that it had been unable to verify those reports.

Zerrougui made the assertions at a special session of the U.N. Human Rights Council in Geneva on the Islamic State’s actions in Iraq, the group, which has proclaimed a strict Sunni Islamic state that spans the Syria-Iraq border, has imposed severe rules on be- havior and has been accused of a litany of brutalities against non- Sunni groups, including summary mass executions.

The U.N. deputy high commissioner for human rights, Flavia Zerrougui made the assertions at a special session of the U.N.

The government reiterates that these buildings and the public headquarters are not safe and inaccessible, because they are un- der the control of armed men,” the government said in a statement.

It was issued from the eastern city of Tobruk, where the recently elected parliament has convened in territory controlled by a ren- egade general who has tried to stage a coup d’état.

Over the last two months, the factional militias that have domi- nated the country since the ouster of Moammar Gadhafi three years ago — variously local, tribal, regional, Islamist or criminal — have been joined by two warring factions. One side, operating under the name Libya Dawn, aligned with militias from the coastal city of Tripoli, and the Islamic State auxiliary that had emerged as a battle to prevent a counterrevolution. The other side was aligned with the renegade general, Khalifa Hifter, in the east and parts from the mountain city of Zintan in the west, to fight what they called a battle against Islamist extremists.

Zerrougui said that the Islamic State had ordered strict rules for women living in the northern Iraqi city of Mosul and other areas in its control.

“We are now our new colonizers,” the leader of the Islamic State said.

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CORRECTIONS

An article about the FSILG social gathering policy in the Friday, Aug. 29 issue of The Tech incorrectly stated that the announcement of the new FSILG social events policy was made less than a day before the start of Rush 2014, which was actually made more than a day before the kickoff. It also incorrectly stated that Risk Management Consultants were

introduced by the new policy, but in fact, their responsibilities have been modified to include new follow-up procedures. Also in the Friday issue, the original version of the article about MIT Professor Azra Akamija, was incorrectly truncated due to a technical error. The full, restored version of the article is now available online.

A front-page photograph featured in the Friday issue credited to Victor Hung was actually taken by Landson Y. Cartin. Victor Hung appears in the photograph.

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A WEBCOMIC OF ROMANCE, SARCASM, MATH, AND LANGUAGE by Randall Munroe
The Smithsonian Institution announced in July that equipment belonging to celebrated producer J Dilla (born James Dewitt Yancey) — a MIDI Production Center beat machine and a synthesizer custom-built for Dilla by Robert Moog himself — would be housed in the new National Museum of African American History and Culture, slated to open in 2016. The announcement came at the D.C. Loves Dilla Tribute Concert, courtesy of Ma Duke, who was there to see the crowd’s reaction to the memorialization of her late son’s legacy.

J Dilla revolutionized the musical landscape of hip-hop and neo soul before passing away in 2006. Known for his unique experimentalism, sampling style, and incorporation of jazz and soul, Dilla had the kind of genius that was contagious, touching artists such as Roots’ founder Questlove and vintage soul legend Erykah Badu, both of whom he worked with closely.

A student and colleague of legendary producer Q-Tip of A Tribe Called Quest, Dilla worked as a part of production collective The Ummah alongside Q-Tip and Ali Shaheed Muhammad, producing classics such as Midnight Marauders (1993). The two were first introduced by Amp Fiddler while Q-Tip was on the 1994 Lollapalooza tour.

While speaking with the Red Bull Music Academy Radio, Q-Tip recalled Dilla’s smile as the first thing he saw and described the experience of listening to Dilla’s tape that night on the tour bus, saying, “What the fuck is this shit. Damn this shit is crushin’!” From there Q-Tip played the demo for Trugoy of De La Soul, who described him as Q-Tip, but better. After that they went on to work together and spread Dilla’s genius far and wide.

In an RBMA Radio interview Erykah Badu recalled Dilla’s eccentricities, telling the story of her first sampling lesson with Dilla, which led to her song “Didn’t Cha Know.” He was an engineer in school, and she described his beats as “strictly mathematical, they’re just right out of his consciousness.” Of his basement lab she said, “It looked like a graveyard. It was perfect, everything was perfect,” all the Coke cans facing a certain way, all his vinyl organized by his own system.

The two formed part of powerhouse musical collective the Soulquarians, along with D’Angelo, James Poyser, and Questlove of the Roots to name a few.

Questlove spoke of the liberating effect Dilla’s music had on him, sharing with RBMA Radio the story of the first time he heard Dilla’s music when the Roots opened a show by the Pharcyde in North Carolina. He said that on Illadelph Halflife (1996) he made every effort to be a cold machine, but when he heard Dilla’s production of the Pharcyde’s second album it freed him.

He recalled that at first he dismissed Dilla, having heard that Q-Tip was supposed to produce the Pharcyde’s Labcabincalifornia (1995) and found out that instead Dilla was handling it. After opening for the Pharcyde he had to run out to do a college radio interview and heard the Pharcyde open with their song “Bullshit.” “As I’m leaving the club I’m hearing the vibration of the kick drum and it’s the most life changing moment I’ve ever had. Like I had to get out the car and run back in the club to make sure I didn’t hear what I heard. Did I hear that? I mean just the way that it... it sounded like the kick drum was played by like a drunk three year old. I was like, ‘Are you allowed to do that?’” Questlove later asked about the track and described the experience of listening to Dilla’s beat tape saying, “I’d just never heard someone not give a fuck, and that to me was the most liberating moment.”

J Dilla lives on in his music, as part of Slum Village, through his collaborations, and his immeasurable impact on the musical community. His iconic tools, with him at his bedside to the end, will find a worthy home as the inaugural exhibition “Musical Crossroads” in the Smithsonian African American Museum of History and Culture. I look forward to seeing the late producer’s legacy.

Rest in Peace JD.
By Denis Bozic
ARTS EDITOR

Even though only in its fourth installment, the three-day Boston Calling Music Festival is already becoming a landmark of Boston's entertainment scene. The lineup for this week's shows includes The War on Drugs, Lorde, The National, Nas with The Roots, and Future Islands. The Tech recently interviewed Brian Appel, co-founder of Boston Calling, to find out how the festival was conceived and what happens behind the scenes during the show.

“My partner Mike Snow and I were working together at WFNX Radio and the Boston Phoenix. We spent several years planning events and concerts in the city, and began working on the idea of a music festival for Boston's music fans. Most of the performers were well-known bands and musicians such as Dirty Projectors, Marina and The Diamonds, St. Lucia, and Vampire Weekend. The lineups, however, are not just random selections of available performers. "We have a curation team of several people, including the Bowery Presents, and Aaron Dessner of The National. We all look at what artists are touring around our festival times, who may be available and a good addition to the lineup, and between Bowery and Aaron, we begin conversations with artists and agents," said Appel. "It sometimes feels out of control when you are in the midst of trying to look (more than) twenty artists, but so far it has all worked out!"

Appel added that Boston Calling leans slightly toward indie-rock music but that not all of the performers fall within the genre. "It starts with The National, who we sometimes think of as our "house band," he said. "But we do not aim to be a fully indie-rock festival. You'll see electronic, pop, hip-hop, alt-country, and even some metal on our bills."

Despite the presence of big-name performers in the festival’s lineup, Appel said that it’s important to give recognition to those performers who have not climbed the top charts yet. “It’s a balancing act. For obvious reasons, you need bigger names on the bill to make sure that you sell enough tickets to make the event financially stable,” he said. "But part of the fun of the curation is to pick artists early on in their career and lock them in before they get really big. We’ve had some luck with this; we booked fun.,Bas-tette, and most recently The War on Drugs just as they were getting very popular. It’s good vision by Bowery and Aaron.”

As with every music festival, excellent organization is necessary for the shows to run smoothly and it seems that Boston Calling’s teams are doing their best to make the festival stress-free. “We have an amazing production manager, Bill Kenney, who keeps the stages running perfectly,” Appel said. "You know the event is going well when the radios are silent for an hour at a time during show days.”

Appel added that the organizers' relationships with the performers are strictly professional and that the main task is to keep the audience, bands, and the sponsors happy. "None of us have much interest in celebrity sightings," he said. "We're thrilled that the artists have chosen to be at Boston Calling, but we have a no-hassle policy for the acts backstage. No photos, no media, no autographs, no meet-and-greets. They're here to do a job, and the best thing we can do is put them in the best place to do it, and get out of their way."

For him, the most rewarding part of the experience was "seeing it all come together and knowing that there were four or five of us just two years ago who thought it was crazy and went ahead with it anyway," he said. "The press has been really amazing, and every time we see an article written about us, it still feels like the first time."

"When asked about the future of Boston Calling, Appel said, "We don't get too far ahead of ourselves! Right now we are focused on the September edition. 2015? We'll start to think about that after September 7!" The September installment of Boston Calling Music Festival 2014 begins this Friday at City Hall Plaza. For full information about the tickets and performers, visit http://bostoncalling.com/
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New policies significantly update alcohol rules
Drinking games ban, edited seeking help rules, and new sanctions among revisions

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tics for seeking help during alcohol-re- lated emergencies says, “MIT will treat the situation as a health and safety matter, not as a disciplin ary incident” if help is sought. The limitations of the policy and the actual guidelines for how to call for help remain unchanged.

The list of Institute-imposed sanctions, however, newly states, “The sanctions for disciplinary sus- pension and disciplinary expulsion will be strongly considered... when a student has failed to summon medical assistance for someone else or he knows, or reasonably should have known, to be in medical prog- rately due to alcohol or substance use.”

Notably, the possibility of sanc- tions for failing to call for help but not from protection from disciplinary action, apply to medical emergen cies involving drugs other than alcohol. Robinson said the goal of this modification was “to remind people that the expectation is that you get help for somebody in need” and to provide clarity on the matter for students unsure of whether they should call for help.

Robinson and Director of Stu- dent Citizenship Kraft horn met with members of Dormitory Coun cil (DormCon) multiple times to collect feedback on drafts of the policies. In public minutes from a December 2013 meeting, several students raised concerns that the difference between the treatment of alcohol and other drug related incidents in the policy could lead students to use drugs in secret and/or under more dangerous circum stances. The minutes quote Robin son as saying that those concerns must be balanced against making sure the Institute does not condone drug use.

Leonid Grinberg ’14, a student quoted in those minutes, told The Tech, “I don’t currently know of any policy that I can’t know about [drug use] because I don’t want to get in trou- ble, all that creates is lack of knowl edge,” adding, “It’s one-sided in that it just completely ignores the idea that you can have a drug legal, almost legalistic sense without addition.”

Robinson said that the working group had received feedback both for and against including incidents related to other drugs among those considered under discipline rather than dis ciplinary matters in the help seeking protocol. “We will continue to be open about collecting and asking people to know that the expectation is that you get help for somebody,” she said, adding that the fact that someone called for help should not be a reason. Committee on Discipline sanctions were considered after a drug-relat ed incident.

Other Drugs
Before the recent updates, the Mind and Hand handbook treated drugs other than alcohol primarily referred to state and federal laws, stating that the use, sale, and dis-tribution of illegal drugs was also against Institute policy.

New in the revised version, MIT extends the prohibition to “substances that are generally rec-ognized as dangerous and deter- ritorial, violent, and community. They are defined under the law as illegal drugs, and are non-prescribed substances or prohibited drug substances as examples of such substances.”

According to minutes from October and December 2013 DormCon meetings including Kraft and Robinson, students raised con- cerns that the definition of prohibi- ted substances was too vague and could cause unclear expectations for students. When asked by The Tech what process would be used to deter- mine if certain drugs might become prohibited in the future, Robinson said that such a process would depend on what the trends are, not just in the MIT community but in general; adding that the drugs listed in the policy are examples rather than an exhaustive list of those prohibited.

"Those drugs might not be scheduled or illegal at this moment in time, they may be down the road. But regardless of illegal or not, what we do know is that there are currently issues for some of our students around those drugs." Adding "With health and safety a priority, we wanted to be clear with students.

Also newly introduced to the policy is the following: "MIT prohibi ts persons from permitting the use of prohibited substances, as noted in this policy, in one's residence." Robinson said that some uni- versities prohibit students from being in the presence of others us- ing drugs illegally. She said that the working group initially proposed that regulation, but decided after hearing the students' input to change the policy to its current form. "You're responsible for what happens in your room," she added. She explained that organizational-level issues with members of the group or community "are, which is why you see more de- tailed examples." She added that she likes the educational intent of "hazardous" as an example. "There are other forms of behavior that would qualify as hazards that we needed to inform students of as well.

Other updates
The updates to policies related to sexual misconduct, stalking, and intimate partner violence were based on the new regulations in Title IX, as the majority of the changes happened early in the 2013-2014 academic year. The weapons and hazardous materials policies, while partially reworded, remained largely similar to their previous versions.

Creating the policies
Robinson said that in April 2012 the working group began identifying policies that needed to be updated. “We had to have poli- cies up to date with current prac- tice and provide clarity to students.” She said the group decided not to put most of the changes into ef- fect at the start of the 2013-2014 academic year because they felt that they couldn't collect enough student input over the summer. She said those policies then went through multi- ple drafts over the course of meet- ing with student groups and other stakeholders on campus through- out the course of the academic year.

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The changes to the sexual mis- conduct policy, including the definition of hazing, alcohol-related partner violence and stalking policies, however, took place in October, as the majority of changes for the draft to be in compliance with federal law. Robinson added that a few edits to that policy were made over the course of the aca- demic year that are reflected in the latest version of the Mind and Hand Book.

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Roof Decks, from Page 1
to the AILG Board and the AILG Facilities Committee.
The application entails calculating deck occupancy numbers us-
ing guidelines from the Facilities Committee, which are based on the
square footage of the roof deck and the number of exits available. Roof
decks at FSILGs in Boston must also be approved and certified by the city.

“It is important to note that the city of Boston roof deck certificates allow use by residents only, and par-
ties are not permitted even on approved roof decks,” wrote Henry J.
Humphreys, Senior Associate Dean of Residential Life and Dining, in an
e-mail to The Tech.

Nine applications have been submitted to the AILG so far and all nine — three in Boston, five in Cam-
bridge, and one in Brookline — met the requirements and have been
approved.

The overall approval process took about two months,” wrote Joel
R. Schneider ’15, president of MIT’s chapter of Zeta Beta Tau (ZBT), in an
email to The Tech. Schneider applied for the approval of ZBT’s roof
deck over the summer, and said that the process asked him to assess the occupancy limit of the roof deck and then submit a report to the AILG.

According to Schneider, the AILG approved an occupancy limit of 10 people for ZBT’s roof deck. He esti-
minated that other FSILGs will have similar limits in the 10-20 range. Since it is in Brookline, ZBT is not under the restriction that the roof deck can only be used by residents, but Schneider says that the low oc-
cupancy limit will prohibit ZBT members from hosting rush events on the deck. As an additional safety
precaution, Schneider has internally enforced a rule that a brother must be present on the roof deck when-
ever it is in use.

“While the low occupancy limit is unfortunate, the process of approv-
ing the roof deck, designing the sig-

nag, and getting signatures was very well laid out and the AILG was very supportive,” wrote Schneider.

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Startup bootcamp attendants chosen from pool of 55,000
Participants challenged to start a company in just one week at MIT

Bootcamp, from Page 1 — including a medical doctor, a technical director of Halo 4, and an Olympian — hailed from 22 countries. Their educational backgrounds ranged from a man who never attended college to a Harvard Law School graduate. Half of the inaugural bootcamp class met each other over Facebook before the bootcamp started and launched an Indiegogo crowdfunding campaign to raise funds for the bootcamp.

One participant even sold his car so he wouldn’t miss the opportunity. For three students, MIT awarded full scholarships that covered the bootcamp’s tuition, travel, and accommodations.

Iman Urooj traveled thousands of miles from Pakistan to attend the bootcamp. She said the event was one of the most memorable experiences of her life: “This bootcamp gave me the necessary injection of inspiration to go back to Pakistan with newfound enthusiasm and energy and a desire for change.”

“It was an incredibly creative and a remarkable experience not just for the students but for all of us involved at MITx and edX,” said Anant Agarwal, CEO of edX. “We had an amazing group of students. They were extraordinarily inspiring. They are what make us want to get up in the morning and do what we’re doing.”

After taking the 15.963 online course taught by Bill Aulet, managing director of the Martin Trust Center for MIT Entrepreneurship, the bootcamp participants were challenged to start a company in one week at MIT. On Aug. 22, nine teams pitched their startup ideas before a panel of judges. UpLook, a startup aimed at turning fashion blogs into retail outlets, won first place. ONBO, a personal consulting startup, came in second and was followed by Elio, a startup to sell data collected by drones to Brazilian farmers. Right after the bootcamp ended, two teams indicated that they would continue working on their startups that were incubated at the bootcamp.

“It was truly eye opening that you can run an online course, get 55,000 people to take it, and then bring the best of them to MIT to have a residential experience — in such short period of time,” says Aulet. “The funnel was so big and so fast that you had to be both good and willing to hustle to make it. As such, it was a complete meritocracy. This is what led to the amazing talent and energy in the class, which created the spectacular results. It was a real honor to teach this group and be involved in this successful experiment.”

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