Amnesty Int’l holds conference at MIT

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The New Jersey Supreme Court’s overturning of the conviction of a man convicted of leafletting on the Princeton University campus could effect MIT’s case against the six Coop members.

Herrick and Smith, the law firm which represents MIT, is presently reviewing the Princeton case, according to Louis Menard, special assistant to the president.

On April 5, 1979, a member of the US Labor Party was arrested for leafletting at Princeton, and was convicted of the offense.

The ruling was appealed to higher courts. The state supreme court ruled that Princeton’s rules violated the leafletter’s right to freedom of speech.

MIT’s policy does not allow off-campus people to distribute literature on campus property. Menard said, “It’s one of those common law policies . . . to my knowledge it’s never been written down.”

The deadline for photos has been extended to April 13, 1981.