Committee heads oppose motion

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Agree with the basic philosophy of the motion," Lingelbach said. "I disagree with the wording and the way in which it was presented."

"The tone [of the motion] was derogatory and to a certain extent downgrade," said Joan Weller '82, Vice-Chairman of FinBoard.

"By asking to spend our time serving the students, we spend our time dealing with motions which are not needed," Weller added. The motion is reaffirming what is already true. The President has not requested a written report in some time," said Tahil. He would always get one if he requested. No chairman has the right to refuse a reasonable request from the UAP as far as I know.

Similar remarks came from Lingelbach. "The GA is being run by a small group of people...a cabal. I don't think that that is democratic or a voice of the GA. I had to oppose the motion. It would have made me more accountable to a random group of people on the fourth floor of the Student Center, not to the GA."

"The only forum which exists right now for FinBoard to be held accountable to the students is the GA," noted Contreras. Unfortunately, the General Committees controlled the debate tonight and were successful at defeating the motion that would have insured that committee chairmen are directly responsible to the GA, like the body via the GA," he said. "The GA has not received a report from most of these committees in the past six or seven years."

"When asked for specifics, Contreras noted that "a couple of weeks ago, I requested some information from the Finance Board."

"The reaction from FinBoard was, 'We don't have to report to the General Assembly and what authority do you [the Floor Leader] have to come in and ask for this information?'"

"I'm the Floor Leader of the GA and I'm responsible for making sure that those groups are reporting to the GA," Contreras continued.

Budget "short-sighted"

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Economics at MIT receive grants from the NSF, according to Braude. "They take much arithmetic to figure out what's going to happen," he commented. Many faculty members in MIT's Department of Political Science conduct research sponsored by various government organizations including the NSF, acknowledged Department head Alan Altshuler. Though he says that at present it is "impossible to assess the precise magnitude of the effects of the budgetary reductions," Altshuler maintains that these cuts will prove to be significant.

According to one of his own projects, which was to draw $1.5 million from the federal government over the past six or seven years, Altshuler commented, "There's not a lot of squeezing we can do."

Presumably, his group has a commitment for $500,000 from the federal government with no guarantee that the rest of the money will ever be awarded.

Altshuler hopes that his project can obtain grants from private foundations to supplant any lost federal monies. He noted that much of the social science research done at MIT may have to be funded through such organizations.

Social and behavioral scientists across the nation are disturbed not only by the loss of funding for their research but also by the reasons behind the budget cuts. Calling the cuts "very shortsighted," Eugene Sokoloff, director of the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies and Professor of International Studies at MIT, said: "I don't think that that is anything that we are going to learn French, why not learn it from the experts."

"If the idea of managing a billion dollar construction project doesn't scare you, maybe you shouldn't be a civil engineer."

Admissions waiting list size increased

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"The April 3 article "Tuition Controversy Addressed" described both the PLUS loan program and MIT's Parent Loan Plan as they currently exist. Both the increasing maximum and interest rate for the Parent Loan Plan are set annually, and may be higher next year. The 9 percent interest rate for the PLUS program lends a very good chance of being raised next year—such as the fact that the University has been granted an increase in the amount of interest charged to students."

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