Monarch, a human-powered aircraft built by MIT students, glides over Hanscom Field on its record-setting flight Friday.

**ESG Committee nominates new director**

By Edward Whang

The Advisory Committee to the Experimental Study Group nominated J. Kim Vandiver '89, associate professor of Ocean Engineering, to be the new director of the group, according to John M. Deutch, dean of the School of Science.

"I am delighted that he was nominated, and I expect that he'll soon be confirmed," Deutch said.

Robert L. Halfman '44, professor of Aeronautics and Astronautics and current director of the Experimental Study Group, will retire from his post at the end of this year to assume emeritus status.

The ESG Advisory Committee had previously nominated Professor of Psychology Stephen L. Chorover to direct the program. However, Deutch rejected the nomination. Deutch would not specify reasons for the rejection.

"From the advisory committee's point of view, Chorover was a good candidate, but from an administrative view he just didn't fit," Halfman said.

The ESG community was originally concerned that a faculty member would receive the nomination, as an undergraduate student was unlikely to be chosen. However, it was decided that the position would be open to all students, not just candidates with academic degrees.

The ESG committee is made up of students who have expressed interest in the group, and the nomination process is designed to ensure that the new director is well-versed in the field and has a strong background in science and technology.

"He must be an inspired and respected member of the student body," Halfman said. "He's the type of candidate who has great potential to grow and develop the group as a whole.

Gray will not file an amicus curiae brief against Solomon Amendment

By Harold A. Stern

Lest it be forgotten, the "necessary and undemocratic" brief filed by the Supreme Court is an attempt to negate the constitutional protection of Holyoke. The brief, according to President P. E. Gray '54, was filed to argue the merits of the case in the Supreme Court.

"We are concerned," said Gray, "because the public has no understanding of the risk involved. We are concerned that the Supreme Court will not be able to file an amicus curiae brief.

The risk was very important in Gray's decision not to file a brief, and Gray said that the decision was not final. However, he said that "the general public has no understanding of the risk involved.

If the risk is too great, the court will be asked to file an amicus curiae brief. The risk is too great, and we are afraid that the court will be asked to file an amicus curiae brief.

"We've chosen to file a brief that is not as strong as the usual brief," said Gray, "because the public has no understanding of the risk involved. We are afraid that the court will be asked to file an amicus curiae brief.

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