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Office of the President January 11, 2005

Members, Board of Trustees:

VERIZON WIRELESS GIFT AND PLEDGE

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees accept a gift of \$125,000 and a pledge of \$125,000 from Verizon Wireless of Bedminster, New Jersey, to create and endow the Verizon Wireless Professorship on Studies on Violence Against Women in the UK Center for Research on Violence Against Women.

In accordance with the Council on Postsecondary Education guidelines, the Board of Trustees acknowledges that it has primary responsibility for the implementation of the Endowment Match Program and is responsible for providing oversight of all endowment funds.

<u>Background</u>: The Verizon Wireless Professorship will provide salary and resource support for a faculty member who conducts research for the Center for Research on Violence Against Women. Verizon Wireless directs its philanthropic mission to fostering relationships and partnerships that address social and economic needs in America's diverse communities. The \$250,000 gift and pledge is eligible to be matched by the state's Research Challenge Trust Fund.

Action taken:	Approved	Disapproved	Other	
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