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MEMORANDUM

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TO: D. Kay Clawson, M.D.
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FROM: Michael Karpf, M.D. *UK*
Executive Vice President for Health Affairs

Members of the orthopedic faculty as well as some senior orthopedists both in the community and elsewhere are convinced that our program in orthopedics can't reach its full potential unless and until the program is granted departmental status. I am asking to you form and chair a panel that will:

- 1) evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the current orthopedic program,
- 2) suggest strategies and outline requests to substantially improve the program,
- 3) recommend to Dean Perman and me whether or not orthopedics should remain a division of surgery or become an independent department.

I would ask you to submit a report by June 1, 2004 by June 1, 2004. Ms. Courtney Higdon, from my office, will serve administrative support for this effort.

cc: Dr. Jay Perman
Dr. Robert Mentzer
Dr. Darren Johnson

**University of Kentucky
Orthopaedic Program Review
Committee Membership**

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