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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

STANFORD - President Richard W. Lyman of Stanford has formally agreed to let Associate Prof. H. Bruce Franklin of the English Department gather evidence for his Advisory Board hearing from 1 to 6 p.m. daily on campus, but said he does not intend to revoke Professor Franklin's suspension with pay, which was imposed Feb. 12.

The Stanford Daily indicated Monday that a petition was being circulated among the faculty urging that the suspension be lifted, but did not indicate the sponsors or the number of signatures obtained.

In a related development in the Franklin case, Professor Robert Ackerman of the English Department has been named to the Advisory Board, replacing Prof. David Levin of the English Department until the case is concluded. Professor Ackerman was elected as first alternate to professor Levin as a Board member.

In a March 18 letter to Prof. David Mason, Advisory Board chairman, Professor Levin declared he could not properly participate in the hearing, and requested to be relieved of this responsibility until the case was concluded.

"The reason for this request is my unusually close personal association with Professor Franklin over many years and, more recently, our private, published, and inevitably personal disagreements over some of the very kinds of action at issue in the prospective bearing," he explained.

Under a Santa Clara County Superior Court order issued March 9, Professor Franklin is barred from campus until his University suspension ends, although he may gather evidence for his case with the agreement of the President.

No date has yet been set for the Advisory Board hearing.

Last week in Redwood City, two felony counts of assault on a policeman and battery on a policeman against Professor Franklin were reduced to a single misdemeanor count of assault and battery. The charges stem from an incident during a January demonstration there on behalf of Los Siete. ###

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STANFORD - David Harris, former Stanford student body president and spokesman for the anti-draft organization, The Resistance, will speak at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 3, in Memorial Church.

Harris, who will be accompanied by his wife, singer Joan Baez, was recently released from federal prison after serving a sentence for refusing induction into the armed forces.

His talk, sponsored by Columbae House at Stanford, is expected to cover the status of the peace movement in the U.S. and reflections on his prison life.

EDITORS: This meeting is open to press and television. Please advise Stanford News Service if you plan to staff.