Dear Colleagues,

Recent announcements concerning the federal government's expansion of its deportation program, and its intention to issue new restrictions on entry to the U.S., have increased uncertainty and heightened anxiety among many in the Dartmouth community. As co-chairs of a recently formed Dartmouth **Immigration Working Group**, we are writing to update you on the steps the College is taking to inform the community about these and related government actions, and the resources available to support those students, faculty, and staff who may be affected.

At the outset, we think it is important to stress that respect and support for all in our community, whether from across the nation or across the world, are part of our core values as an institution. As President Hanlon and Provost Dever said in their January 29 **community message**, Dartmouth's "engagement with the full human diversity of backgrounds, perspectives, and experiences is critical – to both the strength of the Dartmouth community and the effectiveness of Dartmouth's learning and leadership. We recognize, value, and celebrate the essential contributions of our international students and scholars."

Dartmouth is deeply committed to nondiscrimination and pluralism as essential values in our academic community. At a moment when some members of the community may feel particularly vulnerable, we encourage all students, faculty, and staff to seek opportunities to support one another. Please see the attached **list of resources** available to students, faculty, and staff. Also attached is a flyer with a list of offices that you can refer student to if they have needs or concerns.

Thank you for your support and assistance. As you undoubtedly know from news reports, this is a fluid and fast-moving situation with a great deal of ambiguity concerning the actions being taken by the government as well as litigation challenging those actions. We will do our best to provide information and advice to the community as quickly as possible. The **Office of Visa and Immigration Services** (OVIS) website will always be the most up-to-date and
comprehensive source of information from the College on visa and immigration issues. More information is also available through the Dartmouth homepage.

Please feel free to forward this information to colleagues.

Sincerely,
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