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Key U.A.R.C. Figures Investigated in Navy Classified Research Scandal

A Navy criminal investigation of alleged mismanagement of classified research contracts between the Navy, the University of Hawai'i (UH) and the Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii (RCUH) centers on key players in the controversial Navy University Affiliated Research Center (UARC). These revelations appear to confirm warnings about the legal, financial and ethical dangers of establishing a UARC at UH.

A coalition of groups opposed to a UARC at the University of Hawai'i will discuss details of these recent revelations and other concerns about the proposed UARC at a press conference and rally today. These events coincide with the first of the University's three scheduled "consultations" on the UARC.

Today, April 6, 2005

1:30 PM Protest

1:45 PM Press Conference

At the UH Manoa Architecture Building entrance, facing the Ouad.

Kyle Kajihiro, Program Director for the American Friends Service Committee - Hawai'i said "The Navy criminal investigation of key UARC figures for possible mismanagement of classified information and research contract funds taints the entire UARC. This ought to make UH administrators and Board of Regents rethink their position on the UARC."

He added "The UH administration has withheld crucial information and even released misleading information in order to 'sell' the UARC. At today's consultation session, Chancellor Englert must come clean on this classified research scandal and other concerns about the UARC."

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