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COLLEGE NOTICE

SENIOR STAFF CHANGES

With effect from 1 September 2008 **Professor Sir Peter Knight**, currently Faculty Principal for Natural Sciences will become Senior Principal of Imperial. Professor Knight will be deputising for the Rector and remaining a member of the Management Board. He will also be responsible for the overall research strategy of the College, determining research priorities and providing high level coordination of initiatives requiring interdisciplinary working and cross faculty engagement.

Professor Knight will be succeeded as Faculty Principal by his current deputy **Professor Maggie Dallman**. Professor Dallman joined Imperial College in 1994 after establishing her research career at Oxford and Stanford Universities. She became Professor of Immunology in 1999 and Deputy Principal of the Faculty of Natural Sciences shortly after its formation in 2006. Professor Dallman's research and teaching interests are in the area of Immunology and Inflammation. Professor Dallman's replacement as Deputy Faculty Principal will be determined in due course.

With effect from 1 September 2008 **Professor John Wood**, currently Faculty Principal for Engineering, will take on the role of International Relations Adviser. He will work within Pro-Rector for International Affairs Professor Mary Ritter's team and remain a member of the Management Board; he will continue to be the College's Safety Champion. Professor Wood, who currently chairs the European Research Advisory Board, will work to foster and develop research opportunities and explore the potential for other collaborative ventures primarily within Europe and India. A key task will be liaison with the European Institute of Technology and managing the College's relationship with that body.

Professor Wood will be succeeded as Faculty Principal by **Professor Stephen Richardson**. A graduate of Imperial, Professor Richardson rejoined the College as a lecturer in 1978 after a period of research at Cambridge. He was promoted through the ranks becoming Professor in 1994 and Head of Department in 2001. A fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering and Chairman of the Chemical Engineering RAE panel, Professor Richardson's principal research and teaching interest is safety. Professor Richardson's replacement as the new Head of Department for Chemical Engineering will be announced in due course

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Recruitment activity is currently in train to identify a successor to **Professor Nagy Habib**, who moved from his role as Pro-Rector for Commercial Affairs to continue his appointment as Head of Biosurgery and Surgical Oncology (to which has been added the role of Chief of Service for Surgery within a Clinical Programme Group) for Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust.

Rodney Eastwood
College Secretary