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ACADEMIC INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING 2003/04

The Council has an established practice of channelling grant reclaimed as a result of under-recruitment of students back to the sector in the form of allocations to support the academic infrastructure. In 2002/03, the level of under-recruitment in the sector was minimal and, in consequence, the amount of funding which has been reclaimed is on a very much smaller scale than in previous years. If redistributed as academic infrastructure funding, it would be insufficient to provide institutions with meaningful levels of award.

The Council has therefore agreed that there should be no allocation of Academic Infrastructure funding in 2003/04.

Yours sincerely

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