Important Alert from the Office of Safety and Security

Incident Type: UNWANTED PHYSICAL CONTACT

Location: Milton S Eisenhower Library

Date: August 15, 2014

Time: 7:45 pm

Summary: A female undergraduate student was approached by a male unknown to her. He engaged her in conversation, stating that he is a PhD student here. He borrowed her pen, and asked for her food. He ultimately asked to “read her palms.” He started kissing her fingers, and asked to kiss her face. The student said ‘no,’ and the male walked away.

Subject Information: The subject is a dark-haired Middle Eastern male in his 30s. He may go by the nickname “Mo.” He is not affiliated with the University, and does not have JHU ID. He may use ID from George Mason University. The subject has been identified by Campus Security, and a campus ban/no trespass warning has been directly issued by Security to him. If you see or are approached by an individual matching this description, please contact Campus Security immediately, by calling: 410-516-7777.

Even though we are a private entity, our campus, including the Library, is open to people who are not affiliated with the University, and is essentially a public place. It can be easy in public places to be lulled into a false sense of confidence when interacting with strangers. If a stranger approaches you and makes you uncomfortable, it is okay to avoid answering questions or to be direct with someone and say ‘I don’t want to talk about that’ or ‘no’ or to walk away without answering. That is not being impolite, but taking good care of yourself. Be in tune with your own emotions, trust any negative gut feelings, and seek out help from University staff or security if you are even the slightest bit uncomfortable.

Crime Tip:

Call Campus Security about any persons who seem suspicious to you or make you feel uncomfortable. It takes only a few minutes for a campus officer to talk to them and verify that they have legitimate reason to be on campus or inside a particular building – or have them leave if they lack one.

For more crime prevention tips, please visit Campus Safety and Security's website at www.jhu.edu/security/CrimePrevention.html

Timely and accurate reporting is critical to crime prevention. Everyone is reminded to contact Campus Safety and Security at 410-516-7777 or Baltimore City Police at 911 immediately to report any suspicious person(s) or activity.

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