

GRAND BOARD POLICY

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The Board's Policy as adopted in 1978 regarding MIKs, TIKs and KITTEN groups is still in effect and in view of the numerous requests we have been receiving regarding such groups; we felt it necessary to circulate this information in this bulletin.

MIKs, TIKs, KITTENS

Some chapters have pre-pledge groups known as MIKs and/or TIKs, and also Kappa KITTENS. These are **NOT** affiliated organizations of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. and chapters must discontinue any sponsorship and/or affiliation with such groups. We have evidence of several instances where MIKs and/or TIKs have been hazed and chapters claimed innocence because they "were not hazing pledges."

With KITTENS, there are other evidences of misuse and abuse. It is our understanding that in some instances, KITTENS have been recruiting members, conducting initiations and otherwise functioning as an affiliate of Kappa Alpha Psi. Kappa Alpha Psi has always supported the Fraternity System and unfair competition against Sororities has the effect of undermining the Greek Letter System. This does not mean that a chapter cannot have a "Kappa Court" or alliances with Sororities, but we must discontinue groups such as MIKs, TIKs, and KITTENS.

It is therefore the policy of the Grand Board of Directors, that Chapters shall terminate affiliations with MIKs, TIKs or other similarly constituted groups, and also the KITTENS.

Chapters shall take steps to terminate these affiliations immediately, and any Chapter retaining affiliation or recognition of such groups after September 30, 1978 will have their Chapter Charter recalled.

We call upon Chapters to immediately take steps to comply with the spirit and intent of this directive, as it has been adopted by the Grand Board of Directors on advice of Counsel as being in the best interests of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.