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Investigation Update from NC State University and Statement from Chancellor Woodson

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NC State University Police have nearly concluded their investigation into sexual assault allegations stemming from a July 21 gathering at Wolf Village, and have turned over evidence to the Wake County District Attorney's Office.

NC State Police Chief Jack Moorman today approved release of the following preliminary details. **Chief Moorman will be available to answer questions from media today at 3 p.m. in front of the Public Safety Center, located at 2610 Wolf Village Way.**

- Investigators determined that five freshman football players participated in the on-campus gathering where alcohol and marijuana were present.
- The police investigation has been conducted independent of Athletics. Athletics staff have fully cooperated with police, but at no time took part in or had influence on the investigation.
- University Police provided updated information to the university's Title IX and Student Conduct offices on August 8, and per normal procedures, the information was shared with Athletics that same day. Athletics took disciplinary action regarding the five players on August 9 and 10 based on the information provided.
- The gathering was held in a student's room, and was not an Athletics-sanctioned event. The gathering was not approved or known by football personnel. The student athletes were on campus for summer classes.

NC State remains dedicated to providing thorough criminal and Title IX investigations of this case while ensuring due process and appropriate support for all those involved.

Following are a few details about the criminal investigation process.

- Upon receipt of the reports on July 22, NC State Police immediately began interviewing individuals involved and collecting evidence.
- University Police have collaborated continuously with the District Attorney's Office.
- University Police officers have spent approximately 800 hours working on the investigation, conducted several interviews, executed numerous search warrants, searched the residence as well as mobile phones for evidence, and reviewed video from campus security cameras.

The investigation has three areas of potential actions.

- Possible criminal charges brought as a result of the criminal investigation.
- Separate from the criminal investigation, university administrators are conducting a Title IX investigation to determine if there were violations of the Code of Student Conduct. When the Title

IX investigation is complete, evidence collected will then be provided to the Office of Student Conduct which determines any relevant code of conduct charges.

- Additional disciplinary actions for student athletes for violation of the Student Athlete Code of Conduct and team rules.

Additional Information Regarding Athletics Disciplinary Actions

Coach Dave Doeren took preliminary disciplinary action regarding five players for violation of the Student Athlete Code of Conduct and football team rules, pending the outcome of the criminal and Title IX investigations.

- Doeren dismissed two players from the football team and suspended three others from game play.
- These actions are not regarding the allegations of sexual assault. Additional actions could be taken based on outcomes of the criminal and Title IX investigations.

For next steps, University Police are following up on a few additional pieces of information, and university administrators are moving forward with the separate Title IX investigation. NC State remains committed to ensuring a campus environment that is safe, inclusive and welcoming, and to hold accountable students whose conduct is in violation of the Code of Student Conduct.

Statement from Chancellor Randy Woodson

"Throughout this very difficult situation, NC State has remained dedicated to completing thorough criminal and Title IX investigations, while providing due process and needed support to those involved. As these investigations continue, I appreciate the hard work of our University Police, strong support from the District Attorney's office, and the responsiveness of Athletics' leadership based on information provided to this point."