



UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO
HUMAN RESEARCH PROTECTIONS PROGRAM

Date: January 7, 2010

To: Kimberly Claffy Mailcode: 0505

Re: Project #091710S Cooperative Association of Internet Data Analysis
(CAIDA)

Dear Dr. Claffy:

The Committee at the January 6, 2010 Institutional Review Board meeting reviewed your December 14, 2009 correspondence. The Committee acknowledged that the PI had provided a thoughtful and substantive response to their letter dated December 2, 2009; however, the Committee voted unanimously that the proposed activity does not satisfy the regulatory definition of human subjects research and therefore falls outside the jurisdiction of the IRB. For further clarification we offer the following:

It is the Institutional Review Board's charge to review research that presents a testable hypothesis and study design that will add to generalizable knowledge and takes into account protection of living individuals under appropriate informed consent. Based on the information submitted, the proposed activity is not actively seeking information from human subjects, but rather computer generated information. Should there be a decision in the future to develop, for research purposes, a hypothesis and other research related design methods that utilizes information gathers from individuals, the Committee recommended that a new application be submitted for IRB review.

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify. Should you have a question regarding this, please feel free to contact the "S" analyst who drafted this correspondence on behalf of the IRB at (858) 455-5050.

On behalf of the Institutional Review Board,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Caligiuri", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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