BUDGET REPORTERS: AAU WILL BE A BUDGET DAY RESOURCE

The Association of American Universities Web site (www.aau.edu) and staff will be available as sources of information and analysis on the budgets of key agencies supporting university research and education when the President’s FY 2008 budget is released this Monday, February 5.

As early in the day as possible, AAU will post information on, and analysis of, the Administration’s budget recommendations for the following agencies:

National Institutes of Health
National Science Foundation
Department of Energy Office of Science
Department of Defense (basic research)
NASA (basic research)
Department of Homeland Security (basic research)
National Endowment for the Humanities

In addition, AAU will provide information and analysis with respect to the Administration’s proposals for higher education, particularly student financial aid programs.

AAU staff, including President Robert M. Berdahl, also will be available for comment and analysis.

Like last year, AAU anticipates that greater investment in research and education will be an important element of the Administration budget.

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