Students end Ad. Bldg. sit-in

Talks on demands to continue Monday

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The occupation of the Administration Building by 150 University minority students officially ended yesterday at 4:00 p.m. — after nearly 60 hours.

The protesters, who began their sit-in early Tuesday morning, agreed to leave the building only after University President Robben Fleming vowed to do his best “to alleviate the problems of minority students.”

IN HIS STATEMENT, Fleming promised to use his “influence with the various departments in finding ways to respond to the needs of the minorities, such as supportive services and financial aid.”

He also said that since there were no illegal acts committed during the occupation, there would be no penalties and therefore no need for amnesty.

Despite the “great feeling of non-accomplishment” expressed by many of the students as they left the building, negotiations will be continued Monday morning.

THE STUDENTS, many of whom black, said that a set of six demands would have to be met by the University before they would vacate. They were:

— recognition of the Third World Coalition Council as the official negotiating team for all minority students on campus;
— immediate reinstatement of Cleopatra Lyons, a black nursing student expelled for unspecified “academic reasons”;
— establishment of a full-time Native American advocate;
— establishment of an Asian American advocate;
— establishment of a Chicano cultural center and;
— complete amnesty for all those participating in the activities of the Third World Coalition Council.

Although none of the original six demands were met outright by the University, Fleming agreed to a “fair and adequate hearing” for the expelled nursing student.

Rumors circulated earlier in the week that Lyons was dismissed for administrative reasons. See AD, Page 10