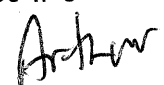


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Professor Arthur Hilliker
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Dear Professor Hilliker:

I have been directed by the Executive Committee of The University of Lethbridge Faculty Association to write to you expressing our support for the position taken by YUFA concerning the manner in which the administration of York University dealt with an initially peaceful demonstration held on the York campus on January, 20, 2005.

The right to express freely one's point of view in a responsible way is fundamental to democracy and to civil society, and is enshrined within universities in the form of academic freedom. Based on our reading of the events of January 20, it certainly appears that the actions of the administration at York University represent an affront to peaceful and free expression and we fully endorse the decision recently taken by CAUT to establish a committee of inquiry to investigate the actions by the administration at York and to make appropriate recommendations.

With best wishes,



Tom Johnston, President
ULFA