

To Allan Rock, President, and to  
The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors  
University of Ottawa

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Re Prof. Rancourt Reinstatement

The dismissal with undue process of Prof. Denis Rancourt is a very dangerous act corrupting higher education in Canada.

It reminds me of the dismissal through external pressure of Professor David Finkelstein of the De Paul University in the USA.

Such action is totally inadmissible, and I urge you to reinstate Professor Denis Rancourt immediately for the sake of healthy diversity and creative thinking at the University of Ottawa, and in all Canadian Universities.

Regards,

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