The University of Ottawa provides details in response to the Ottawa Cinema Political Deaf Access Support Group media advisory

Ottawa, Friday, January 11, 2008 - Following the Media Advisory sent by the "Ottawa Cinema Political Deaf Access Support Group" on January 10 regarding its upcoming press conference on Monday, January 14, the University of Ottawa wishes to make the following clarifications:

Ottawa Cinema Political is in no way related to any academic or other activity at the University of Ottawa.

Many non-University of Ottawa organizations regularly use the University's facilities for activities. On these occasions, these organizations are responsible for providing the logistical support, including sign language interpretation.

Ottawa Cinema Politica is a chapter of the Montreal-based non-profit überculture, which organizes evening talks and film screenings on political, economic, social, and cultural issues. It is open to the general public.

Ottawa Cinema Politica is an organization that is independent of the University of Ottawa – as such this organization is responsible for the logistical support.

Please note that the individuals who sent the advisory are not students of the University of Ottawa. Moreover, the University of Ottawa has not been contacted by the Ontario Human Rights Commission as announced in the "Support Group's" Media Advisory. Finally, the University of Ottawa has not received an official reservation booking request of the MacDonald Hall entrance for the press conference scheduled on Monday, January 14, 2008.

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