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In reaction to the University of Ottawa terminating its agreement with the Student Federation of the University of Ottawa (SFUO), the Carleton University Students' Association (CUSA) would like to affirm its deep and unwavering commitment to transparency, strong accounting practices, and effective use of student fees and resources.

“While we are not aware of the specific circumstances of SFUO’s challenges, we are very aware of the practices and processes we take at CUSA,” said David Oladejo, president of CUSA. “We have rigid accounting practices, and oversights and annually undergo a thorough audit, which is submitted to the university administration.” CUSA currently has two senior managers who are Chartered Professional Accountants and as such, have to adhere to definitive ethics and standards. Additionally, we monitor all ongoing expenses, thoroughly examine the benefits in which each initiative provides students, and have financial oversight and dialogue with our elected Student Council.

Suzanne Blanchard, Vice President (Students and Enrollment) for Carleton University added, “Over the past number of years, Carleton has had a great working relationship with the Carleton University Students' Association. We value this collaborative relationship and look forward to continuing to work with CUSA on a number of initiatives to support students.”

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