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Dear Ms Gould

Your request for information received on 13 September 2018 has been dealt with under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You asked:

Many thanks for your assistance with my inquiries in the past. You shared with me a previous response dated 11 July 2017 in which it was written "The University is currently considering adopting the definition, in consultation with Middlesex University Students' Union, but there are no firm timescales on this process." May I ask whether the university has reached a decision in relation to the matter of the proposed adoption of the "International Definition of Antisemitism," also known as the "International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance" definition? Could you also provide any correspondence or other materials relating to this deliberations from July 2017 to the present?

Precisely, thanks! In addition to internal correspondence, I would appreciate knowing if there was any external correspondence since July 2017 (you already supplied me with documents prior to that) from the Campaign Against Antisemitism, using the domain @antisemitism.uk.

University Response

The Director of Student Affairs who leads for the institution in this area met with the Chief Operating Officer of the Students' Union in late September 2018 and included this on the agenda as part of a wider discussion on how the institution is progressing with our project on tackling sexual violence, harassment and hate crime. This meeting will also sought to further advance how we can involve local community groups in tackling these issues.

As this meeting only happened within the last 7 days there are no definitive outcomes as of yet, particularly around the University's position on the proposed adoption of the "International Definition of Antisemitism," also known as the "International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance" definition.

On your second query please see attachment to this correspondence.

I trust this satisfies your request sufficiently. Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, you have the right to complain about the University's response to your request for information. If you have such a complaint, you may contact Mr David Malpas, Head of Student Affairs, Middlesex University, Hendon campus, London NW4 4BT, tel: 020 8411 5830, d.malpas@mdx.ac.uk within 40 days of the date of this letter for a review of the University's decision. If you remain unsatisfied with the outcome of that complaint, you may seek further recourse by lodging an appeal with the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

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