

## Joint Statement

Dear students:

On the evening of February 11th, two student clubs at McMaster University hosted an absurd anti-Chinese presentation and falsely claimed that the presentation was intended to help Uighur women and orphans, thus openly promoting an event regarding the separation of "East Turkestan", publicizing hatred among the nation, and attacking the Chinese government while raising funds. We fully understood the details of this event and held a meeting with various Chinese clubs on campus a few hours later to express our resentment and condemnation towards their misleading and untruthful event.

We reached out to various school departments involved to communicate our dissatisfaction, and we formally asked the school to carry out supervisory roles to ensure that the events on campus complied with the rules and regulations in order to make sure that all Chinese international students were respected. We are currently waiting for a response from the school.

We informed The Consulate General of the People's Republic of China in Toronto of the situation on the morning of February 12th.

Facts speak louder than words. Individuals who do not possess any form of bias or hatred will maintain a positive attitude towards the unity and harmony of all Chinese citizens, and not spread lies to create false accusations.

We will pay close attention to the progression of the event and provide further updates.

Best Regards,

McMaster University Chinese Students and Scholars Association

McMaster University Chinese News Network

McMaster University Chinese Graduate Students Club

McMaster University Chinese Professional Society

MELD STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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