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Date: February 8, 2018  
To: Parishes, Catholic Schools and Catholic Organizations  
in the Diocese of Calgary  
From: Most Reverend William T. McGrattan  
Subject: Summer Jobs Program Process Changes – Updates

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As you may already be aware, the Government of Canada has extended to Friday, February 9, 2018, its deadline for applications for the Canada Summer Jobs program. The government however has not changed its position about amending or removing the attestation. Please share the following with your parishioners/staff/students:

1. CCCB has updated its website with the statements and letters by Catholic dioceses expressing their concerns. The link is available here (and attached):  
[http://www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/Statements\\_media\\_coverage.pdf](http://www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/Statements_media_coverage.pdf)
2. Please check the CCCB website regularly for updates on this matter, or check our diocesan website (front page, under A Message from the Bishop):  
<http://www.calgarydiocese.ca> or [direct link here](#).
3. If your organization is going to suffer a loss by not being able to participate in this program, or if you have an individual story, please send the details to:  
[communications@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:communications@calgarydiocese.ca)

Yours in Christ,



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**2-Media coverage following the inter-faith news conference on 25 January 2018 /  
Couverture médiatique après la conférence de presse interreligieuse du 25 janvier 2018**

**-Evangelical Fellowship of Canada**

Changes to Canada Summer Jobs program have wide impact

[https://www.evangelicalfellowship.ca/Communications/Articles/January-2018/Changes-to-Canada-Summer-Jobs-program-have-wide-impact?utm\\_content=buffer8c69b&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=twitter.com&utm\\_campaign=buffer](https://www.evangelicalfellowship.ca/Communications/Articles/January-2018/Changes-to-Canada-Summer-Jobs-program-have-wide-impact?utm_content=buffer8c69b&utm_medium=social&utm_source=twitter.com&utm_campaign=buffer)

**-The Catholic Register**

Canadian faith leaders jointly ask government to drop attestation for summer jobs funding

<https://catholicregister.org/item/26711-canadian-faith-leaders-jointly-ask-government-to-drop-attestation-for-summer-jobs-funding?platform=hootsuite>

**-Catholic News Agency**

Catholic bishops join with rabbis, imams in Canadian religious liberty fight

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/catholic-bishops-join-with-rabbis-imams-in-canadian-religious-liberty-fight-53125>

**-Grandin Media**

Interfaith leaders ask Canada to drop attestation for summer jobs funding

<https://grandinmedia.ca/interfaith-leaders-ask-canada-drop-attestation-summer-jobs-funding/>

Religious freedom report fails to address Summer Jobs attestation

<https://grandinmedia.ca/religious-freedom-report-fails-address-summer-jobs-attestation/>

**-Canadian Catholic News**

Summer jobs attestation faces growing opposition as Parliament resumes

<https://grandinmedia.ca/summer-jobs-attestation-faces-growing-opposition-parliament-resumes/>

Pro-life group refused injunction on Canada Summer Jobs attestation

<https://www.catholicregister.org/item/26740-pro-life-group-refused-injunction-on-canada-summer-jobs-attestation>

Report ignores 'actual' religious discrimination, civil rights league charges

<https://catholicregister.org/item/26763-report-ignores-actual-religious-discrimination-civil-rights-league-charges>

**-Salt + Light TV**

Canadian Summer Job Program and Who Ultimately Suffers - Perspectives Daily

<http://saltandlighttv.org/blogfeed/getpost.php?id=79386>

**-Zenit**

Canada: Religious Leaders Oppose Government's 'Core Mandate'

<https://zenit.org/articles/canada-religious-leaders-oppose-governments-core-mandate/>

### **-Présence information religieuse**

Programme Emplois d'été Canada

Débat à la Chambre des communes sur la clause d'admissibilité

<http://presence-info.ca/article/politique/debat-a-la-chambre-des-communes-sur-la-clause-d-admissibilite>

Emplois d'été Canada

«Ne signez pas l'attestation», recommandent deux évêques albertains

<http://presence-info.ca/article/politique/-ne-signez-pas-l-attestation-recommandent-deux-eveques-albertains>

### **-Power & Politics, CBC News**

<http://www.cbc.ca/player/play/1146145347820>

### **-CBC News**

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/cullen-ndp-abortion-summer-grant-1.4503547>

(press conference coverage is in the section titled 'Faith groups react')

Saskatoon bishop urges Catholic groups to express concerns about summer jobs reproductive rights clause

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/saskatoon/summer-jobs-abortion-clause-saskatoon-catholic-bishop-1.4506525>

Summer jobs program deadline extended as religious backlash grows

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/summer-jobs-hajdu-deadline-extended-1.4514044>

London Diocese will 'not be bullied' into federal policy on summer jobs funding

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/windsor/london-diocese-federal-summer-jobs-program-1.4522693>

### **-Radio-Canada**

Critère pro-choix d'Emplois d'été Canada : pourquoi ce tollé?

<http://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/1080284/emplois-ete-canada-programme-groupes-religieux-attestation-avortement-charte-droits-libertes>

(Le lien contient également l'entrevue de Mgr Mancini à la radio de R-C pour l'émission Midi info avec Michel C. Auger)

### **-Maclean's**

How the Trudeau Liberals stumbled into a fight with religious groups

<http://www.macleans.ca/politics/ottawa/how-the-trudeau-liberals-stumbled-into-a-fight-with-religious-groups/>

### **-National Post**

Religious leaders call for end to Trudeau's rights-based job funding rules

<http://nationalpost.com/news/politics/religious-leaders-call-for-end-to-trudeaus-rights-based-job-funding-rules>

### **-The Globe and Mail**

Religious leaders call on Trudeau to reverse funding policy for summer jobs program

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/politics/religious-leaders-call-on-trudeau-to-reverse-funding-policy-for-summer-jobs-program/article37737390/>

**-Ottawa Citizen**

Over 80 religious leaders call on Trudeau to end rights-based job program funding  
<http://ottawacitizen.com/news/national/over-80-religious-leaders-call-on-trudeau-to-end-rights-based-job-program-funding/wcm/f63780d1-9fe7-43e7-bad9-3a32877fad02>

**-iPolitics**

Multi-faith leaders meet in Toronto; demand changes to Canada Summer Jobs program  
<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/01/25/multi-faith-leaders-meet-toronto-demand-changes-canada-summer-jobs-program/>

**-CTV News**

Religious leaders call for end to Trudeau's rights-based job funding rules  
<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/religious-leaders-call-for-end-to-trudeau-s-rights-based-job-funding-rules-1.3775587>

**-Calgary Sun**

Over 80 religious leaders call on Trudeau to end rights-based job program funding  
<http://calgarysun.com/news/national/over-80-religious-leaders-call-on-trudeau-to-end-rights-based-job-program-funding/wcm/1f89fabd-a19c-4ba2-99c2-a5e24e28c229>

**-570News**

Religious leaders call for end to Trudeau's rights-based job funding rules  
<http://www.570news.com/2018/01/26/religious-leaders-call-end-trudeaus-rights-based-job-funding-rules/>

**-Niagara Falls Review**

Over 80 religious leaders call on Trudeau to end rights-based job program funding  
<http://www.niagarafallsreview.ca/2018/01/25/over-80-religious-leaders-call-on-trudeau-to-end-rights-based-job-program-funding>

**-Ilfpress.com**

Over 80 religious leaders call on Trudeau to end rights-based job program funding  
<http://www.ilfpress.com/2018/01/25/over-80-religious-leaders-call-on-trudeau-to-end-rights-based-job-program-funding>

London's Catholic bishop rejects federal funding as abortion battle swirls  
<http://www.ilfpress.com/2018/02/06/londons-catholic-bishop-rejects-federal-funding-as-abortion-battle-swirls>

**-Welland Tribune**

Over 80 religious leaders call on Trudeau to end rights-based job program funding  
<http://www.wellandtribune.ca/2018/01/25/over-80-religious-leaders-call-on-trudeau-to-end-rights-based-job-program-funding>

**-The Bridgehead**

Over 80 religious leaders sign statement condemning Trudeau's abortion attestation as backlash grows

<https://thebridgehead.ca/2018/01/25/over-80-religious-leaders-sign-statement-condemning-trudeaus-abortion-attestation-as-backlash-grows/>

#### **-Saskatoon StarPhoenix**

Bishop of Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon opposes 'coercion' in feds' summer job funding requirement

<http://thestarphoenix.com/news/local-news/bishop-of-roman-catholic-diocese-of-saskatoon-opposes-coercion-in-feds-summer-job-funding-requirement>

#### **-La Croix international**

Religious leaders caution Trudeau over abortion policy

[https://international.la-croix.com/news/religious-leaders-caution-trudeau-over-abortion-policy/6825?utm\\_source=Newsletter&utm\\_medium=e-mail&utm\\_content=30-01-2018&utm\\_campaign=newsletter\\_crx\\_lci&PMID=9b67c2b8363704d7cdc3adb724a7861d](https://international.la-croix.com/news/religious-leaders-caution-trudeau-over-abortion-policy/6825?utm_source=Newsletter&utm_medium=e-mail&utm_content=30-01-2018&utm_campaign=newsletter_crx_lci&PMID=9b67c2b8363704d7cdc3adb724a7861d)

### **3-Media coverage before the inter-faith news conference on the issue / Couverture médiatique avant la conférence de presse interreligieuse sur cet enjeu**

#### **English**

#### **-Huffpost**

Trudeau Can Call Abortion A 'Right,' But That Won't Make It True

[http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/andrea-mrozek/trudeau-can-call-abortion-a-right-but-that-wont-make-it-true\\_a\\_23342504/](http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/andrea-mrozek/trudeau-can-call-abortion-a-right-but-that-wont-make-it-true_a_23342504/)

#### **-National Post**

Religious groups meet to discuss concerns over abortion clause in summer jobs grant application

<http://nationalpost.com/news/politics/religious-groups-meet-to-discuss-concerns-over-abortion-clause-in-summer-jobs-grant-application>

Kelly McParland: Our flippant prime minister simply won't tolerate differing views

<http://nationalpost.com/opinion/kelly-mcparland-our-flippant-prime-minister-simply-wont-tolerate-differing-views>

Trudeau's Love Of Dictatorships Is Showing Again At Home

<https://fatherdesouza.com/articles/2018/1/17/trudeaus-love-of-dictatorships-is-showing-again-at-home>

Rex Murphy: No summer jobs for you! And other decrees from Bishop Trudeau

<http://nationalpost.com/opinion/rex-murphy-no-summer-jobs-for-you-and-other-decrees-from-bishop-trudeau>

John Ivison: Trudeau's stubbornness over summer jobs application defies common sense

<http://nationalpost.com/opinion/john-ivison-trudeaus-stubbornness-over-summer-jobs-application-defies-common-sense>

#### **-The Globe and Mail**

Liberals must remember their values aren't the only ones that count

[https://www.theglobeandmail.com/opinion/liberals-values-oath-is-odious-and-kills-jobs/article37664329/?cmpid=rss&click=sf\\_globe](https://www.theglobeandmail.com/opinion/liberals-values-oath-is-odious-and-kills-jobs/article37664329/?cmpid=rss&click=sf_globe)

Anti-abortion activities, projects ineligible for Canada's revamped youth service program (The Canadian Press)

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/politics/anti-abortion-activities-projects-ineligible-for-canadas-revamped-youth-service-program/article37630131/>

Can Justin Trudeau tolerate real diversity?

[https://www.theglobeandmail.com/opinion/can-justin-trudeau-tolerate-real-diversity/article37665145/?utm\\_medium=Referrer:+Social+Network+Media&utm\\_campaign=Shared+Web+Article+Links](https://www.theglobeandmail.com/opinion/can-justin-trudeau-tolerate-real-diversity/article37665145/?utm_medium=Referrer:+Social+Network+Media&utm_campaign=Shared+Web+Article+Links)

#### **-Ottawa Sun**

Prendergast: The freedom to hold beliefs — as long as they are the government's

<http://ottawasun.com/news/local-news/prendergast-the-freedom-to-hold-beliefs-as-long-as-they-are-the-governments>

#### **-The London Free Press**

Abortion question complicates church funding

<http://www.lfpress.com/2018/01/21/churches-in-principles-versus-cash-dilemma>

#### **-Grandin Media**

Religious freedom under threat

<https://grandinmedia.ca/religious-freedom-threat/>

Summer jobs policy strikes at religious freedom, bishops say

<https://grandinmedia.ca/summer-jobs-policy-strikes-religious-freedom-bishops-say/>

#### **-Canadian Catholic News**

Opposition grows as Liberals fight backlash on jobs funding

<https://catholicregister.org/item/26667-opposition-grows-as-liberals-fight-backlash-on-jobs-funding?platform=hootsuite>

Charities grapple with Canada Summer Jobs policy change

<https://catholicregister.org/item/26664-charities-grapple-with-canada-summer-jobs-policy-change?platform=hootsuite>

#### **-The B.C. Catholic**

Justin Trudeau, meet George Orwell

<https://bccatholic.ca/content/justin-trudeau-meet-george-orwell>

#### **-The Catholic Register**

Charles Lewis: It's official... pro-lifers are second class citizens

<https://catholicregister.org/opinion/columnists/item/26687-charles-lewis-its-official-pro-lifers-are-second-class-citizens?platform=hootsuite>

### **Français**

#### **-Le Devoir**

La position de Justin Trudeau sur l'avortement irrite la droite américaine

[http://www.ledevoir.com/politique/canada/517675/la-position-de-justin-trudeau-sur-l-avortement-irrite-la-droite-americaine?utm\\_term=Autofeed&utm\\_campaign=Autopost&utm\\_medium=Social&utm\\_source=Twitter#link\\_time=1516065645](http://www.ledevoir.com/politique/canada/517675/la-position-de-justin-trudeau-sur-l-avortement-irrite-la-droite-americaine?utm_term=Autofeed&utm_campaign=Autopost&utm_medium=Social&utm_source=Twitter#link_time=1516065645)

**-Le Soleil**

La position de Trudeau sur l'avortement irrite la droite américaine (texte de La Presse Canadienne)

<https://www.lesoleil.com/actualite/politique/la-position-de-trudeau-sur-lavortement-irrite-la-droite-americaine-c10b0de4c38d0ad53c30fe9e98c3fdea>

**-Huffpost**

Trudeau confronte les groupes anti-avortement au sujet du financement des emplois d'été

[http://quebec.huffingtonpost.ca/2018/01/11/trudeau-confronte-les-groupes-anti-avortement-au-sujet-du-financement-des-emplois-dete\\_a\\_23331149/?ncid=tweetInkcahpmg00000011](http://quebec.huffingtonpost.ca/2018/01/11/trudeau-confronte-les-groupes-anti-avortement-au-sujet-du-financement-des-emplois-dete_a_23331149/?ncid=tweetInkcahpmg00000011)

**-Présence information religieuse**

Les évêques catholiques ulcérés par une clause d'Emplois d'été Canada

<http://presence-info.ca/article/societe/les-eveques-catholiques-ulceres-par-une-clause-d-emploi-d-ete-canada>

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