Committee on Constitutional Reform,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Gentlemen:

The Association of Catholic Parents (English Section) of the
Stormont, Dundas, Glengarry Board of Education (Separate School Board)
is the umbrella organization uniting all Catholic Parent-Teachers
organization in the three counties.

In our last meeting a motion was passed regretting the hasty
and poorly-considered inclusion of a Bill of Rights in the proposed
constitution. We feel that not sufficient debate and discussion
is allowed to study the ramifications of such a Bill.

We feel that there is a genuine threat to our school system if
we can no longer insist on the Catholicity of our school system, by
which we mean that the people employed in the system are of the Catholic faith
and also that members elected to the school board are Catholics.

We feel that no Bill of Right should interfere with our historic
right to do so, and that we in all conscience should be able to
express our faith by creating and maintaining a religious school system.

Sincerely,

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