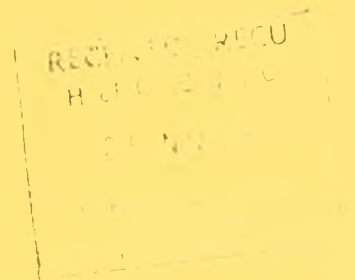


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Gentlemen:

The Multilingual Association of Regina has worked with minority groups (other than English or French) in establishing and maintaining a multilingual network. Through this network, various local languages are taught in Regina's public school facilities.

The Association recognizes the major role of Canada's ethnic-cultural community in this nation's development. Furthermore, the Association considers it essential that these groups are permitted to participate fully and on equal terms in Canada's culture. It is therefore a great concern to the Association that the proposed amendment to Canada's constitution appears to make no provision or guarantee for these minorities. In effect, the proposed amendment disregards one-third of Canada's citizens.

The Association therefore requests leave to have its views on the proposed amendment heard by the Special Joint Committee.

Yours truly,

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