

Council Motion Sheet / Avis de motion au Conseil

- Agenda item # 10. (a) / No 10. (a) du point de l'ordre du jour
 - Moved by / Proposée par - NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA
- Seconded by / Appuyée par - SIMON FRASER
- Motion text / Libellé de la motion

WHEREAS academic freedom includes the right to conduct and disseminate research; and

WHEREAS Springer Nature Publishing reneged on an agreement to publish *Canadian Mining in the Aftermath of Genocides in Guatemala*, edited by two Canadian academics, after legal threats by an unnamed third party; and

WHEREAS CAUT legal counsel conducted a libel read of the manuscript and could find no legal basis for Springer Nature's decision to forgo publication;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT CAUT Council condemns the actions of Springer Nature and instructs the Executive Director to bring this matter to the attention of the academic community and the broader public.