

Statement by the Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences

June 5, 2019

On June 2, the Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences received a complaint from a Congress participant who informed us that he had been the victim of harassment and racial profiling by another participant.

The Federation is treating this incident very seriously as it unequivocally opposes and denounces anti-Black racism, racial profiling, harassment and discrimination of any kind.

Upon receiving this complaint, the Federation contacted the complainant and invited him to meet with the Federation as soon as possible. The following day, senior leaders of the Federation met with the complainant, who was accompanied by two Executive members of the Black Canadian Studies Association (BCSA). Since then, the Federation has continued to be in communication with the complainant and will continue to do so.

The Federation is committed to working with BCSA to address this important issue.

The Federation stands by its Code of Conduct and does not tolerate anti-Black racism, harassment or discrimination of Congress participants in any form.

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