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On Saturday, April 12, representatives of the University of Toronto Faculty Association (UTFA) and the University administration met for the third of three scheduled days of facilitation in the Special Joint Advisory Committee process. The SJAC was created to address numerous issues, including (i) possible changes to appointments policies for both faculty streams; (ii) the role of faculty and librarians in academic planning; and (iii) review of the strengths, weaknesses and options for modernization of the Memorandum of Agreement prescribing UTFA's role.

Based on the discussion on April 12<sup>th</sup>, the facilitator, the Honourable Frank Iacobucci, has recommended that the SJAC facilitation process should continue. This recommendation is based on his assessment that there is sufficient potential for UTFA and the University administration to reach agreement on SJAC issues. The parties will respond formally to the facilitator's recommendation within two weeks.

The parties would like to thank Mr. Iacobucci for his assistance to date.