



University of Toronto TORONTO ONTARIO

University Tribunal

January 25th, 1996

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SENT BY REGISTERED MAIL

Ms. B.
308.
Mississauga, ON

Dear Ms B.

At its hearing held on January 23rd, 1996, the Trial Division of the University Tribunal considered the following charges against you:

1. That on or about February 28th, 1995, you did intentionally forge, alter or falsify an academic record contrary to Section B.I.3 of the *University of Toronto Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters, 1991*, as amended.
2. THAT on or about February 28th, 1995, you did falsify your second term essay in POL 416Y (94W) with intent to falsify your academic record, namely, your final results in POL 416Y (94W), contrary to Sections B.II.2 and B.I.3 of the *University of Toronto Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters, 1991*, as amended.

The particulars of the charges were as follows:

1. In the Spring of 1995, you were a student in POL 416Y (94W).
2. Your second term essay was due on February 22nd, 1995. It was worth 40% of the final mark in the course.
3. On or about February 28th, 1995, you submitted an essay entitled *Teheran, Yalta, and Potsdam. Three Roads to Collective Security and Peace or to a Struggle for Power. A Focus on Post-War Decisions Made at these Conferences and the Consequences in the International System.* The essay you submitted contained a date stamp which reads as follows:
"Feb 24 1995
M.L."
This date stamp and these initials were forged and/or falsified since the essay was not in fact submitted on February 24th, 1995.
4. The falsification of the essay as described above was done in order to minimize the extent of the late penalties that would otherwise apply to the grading of the essay.

.../2

Based on the evidence presented, the panel found you guilty of the second charge and imposed the following sanctions:

- grade of '0' in POL 416Y (94W);
- suspension from the University of Toronto for a period of two years, effective September 1st, 1995, to August 31st, 1997;
- notation of the sanction be recorded on the student's academic transcript until August 31st, 1998;
- that the decision and sanctions imposed be reported to the Vice-President and Provost for publication in the University newspapers, with the name of the student withheld.

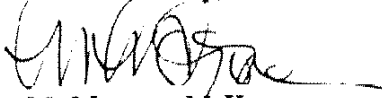
The panel gave the following reasons for its decision:

We've rendered the decision we have as to sanction, keeping in mind the evidence of premeditation and planning that must have taken place in this offence, and the fact that this is fundamentally an act of dishonesty. This is the type of offence that strikes at the foundation of the University's integrity, which is the credibility of its academic standings. It is also necessary, in our judgement, to provide a public statement of this sanction for the purposes of general deterrence, together with the reasons for it. And it is on that basis that we support the publication of the facts of this case and this verdict, while of course withholding the identification of the student.

The Tribunal is reporting the case to the Vice-President and Provost for publication in the University newspapers, with your name withheld.

Information concerning rights of appeal may be found in Section E of the *Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters*. The deadline for filing an appeal by you or by the University is **February 22nd, 1996**.

Yours sincerely,



Ms Margaret McKone
Acting Secretary
University Tribunal

/mm
Enclosure

cc: J. Pepino
A. Sedra
P. Gooch
S. Horton
J. Monger
C. Cheng