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University Tribunal

March 4, 1996

Professor Adel Sedra Vice-President and Provost Simcoe Hall University of Toronto

Dear Professor Sedra:

Re: Ms L.

I am writing to report on the Tribunal's disposition of an alleged offence on the part of Ms L., a student in the Faculty of Pharmacy.

At its hearing held on January 18, 1996, the Trial Division of the University Tribunal considered the following charge against Ms L.

THAT on or about December 16th, 1994, you did have the intent to commit an offence under the <u>Code</u>, namely to use or possess an unauthorized aid or aids or obtain unauthorized assistance in an academic examination, and that you did do or omit to do something for the purpose of carrying out that intention, namely, you requested unauthorized assistance from another student during the examination, contrary to Sections B.II.2 and B.II.(b) of the <u>Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters</u>.

In particular, in the Fall of 1994 Ms Lee was a student in Pharmacy 327H. The term examination for that course was held on December 16, 1994. During the examination, Ms L. passed one of your answer booklets to another student and requested help on Ouestion No. 1.

Based on the evidence presented, the panel found Ms \perp guilty of the charge and imposed the following sanctions:

- that the student be suspended from the University for a period of five years, effective January 1st, 1996;
- that this sanction be recorded on the student's academic transcript for a period of ten years effective forthwith;
- 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.

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The panel gave the following reasons for its decision:

The panel took into account the fact that this is the student's third offence. Such a history warrants a fairly severe measure since it is evident that there is a real likelihood of a repeat offence without a stiff deterrent. However, in considering whether expulsion would be appropriate, we decided against making this recommendation. Although this is the third offence, it is a relatively minor one.: more minor in fact than the first and second. Further, although the student did not attend the hearing, it does not appear that she has avoided dealing with the University and, as both in this case and the previous cases, has admitted her misconduct once confronted.

The deadline for an appeal has expired. Neither the student nor the University has appealed the decision.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Margaret McKone Acting Secretary University Tribunal

cc: S. Girard