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Dear Mr. Turk:

Thank you for your letter of 5 April 2013 with which you enclosed a copy of the Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT) *Report of the Commission on Governance of the Royal Military College of Canada (RMCC)*.

It is evident that the commission was populated with members possessing an experienced cross section of university disciplines and military experiences. The Canadian Armed Forces (CAF), of which RMCC is one component, is constantly undergoing change to adapt with the current political situation, fiscal responsibilities, and changing lifestyles of Canadian society. The Department of National Defence takes great pride in the work by the military and educational staff at RMCC in shaping young men and women to become future leaders within the CAF. The CAUT report may assist the Department of National Defence in formulating and designing any future adjustments or changes.

It is the intent of the Department of National Defence to fully support RMCC in its role as a military unit and as a Canadian University that provides first class instruction without compromise. This position is fundamental to the leadership of the CAF and a responsibility to those that expect to be led by a well educated Officer corps.

Once again, thank you for the report. It will be considered for any future planning at RMCC.

Sincerely,

Peter MacKay