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**Letter from British Society for Middle Eastern Studies - 23 September 2024**

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**To** BRISMES Committee on Academic Freedom <academicfreedom@brismes.org>

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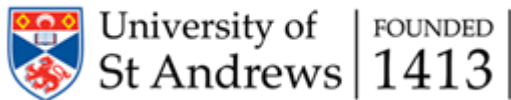
Sent on behalf of the Senior Lay Member  
To BRISMES Committee on Academic Freedom

Dear Professor Pratt and Dr Turner,

Thank you for your letter of 23 September, the contents of which have been noted. The investigation into the Rector's actions and activities was carried out independently by one of Scotland's most pre-eminent KCs, and whilst the contents of your letter are noted, we will, I think, simply have to agree that your view and Court's collective view and findings in respect of the Rector's behaviour cannot be reconciled. I do not see any merit in continuing this correspondence.

Yours sincerely

Senior Lay Member.



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