

Ombudsperson's Note – Complaint Submitted April 4/2005

To: KSA Ombudsperson

April 1, 2005

Submitted by: RAF Party

Communication numbers refer to the numbering used on the online postings at yourksa.ca and also the e-mails sent out by the CRO, which are attached to this appeal.

This is an appeal of communication 31

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Summary:

An allegation that an R.A.F. supporter removed Progressive Party posters from the bulletin board on the 3rd floor of the D building on the Surrey Campus. Photographic evidence is provided. Remains of a poster were found in the garbage in the area. Request that the R.A.F. Party be disqualified. **Signed by Jeff Nelson, Matt Vu, and Marlene Aguasin – 31**

Summary of comments received:

The R.A.F. Party points out that the picture is not very clear. The R.A.F. Party also suggests that it would have been appropriate to tell the person seen that they had been captured on camera. There are several alternatives suggested of what may be represented in the pictures. In an interview with the C.R.O. Aaron Takhar agreed that the person in the photograph is likely wearing a R.A.F Party T-shirt but that he did not recognize the person in the photo. He also pointed out that the picture could show something other than removing a poster.

Among other things, the CRO decided that:

“The picture is not clear. Particularly, it is not clear that the person in the photograph is a candidate for the R.A.F. Party or any other group”-CRO, Ron Correll

Why would anyone state this and then go on to assume, without any evidence at all that the person alleged in the photograph is a RAF candidate or supporter?

“The C.R.O. has found a location in Building D on the Surrey Campus that certainly fits the photographic evidence. The remains of a Progressive Party poster were found in the area”- CRO, Ron Correll

The RAF asks the ombudsperson to request, from the CRO, the “remains” of the alleged poster being ripped down. RAF would also like to see these “remains”

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“The R.A.F. Party **does not deny** that one of their supporters may have taken down the poster.”- CRO, Ron Correll

This is complete bullshit (please excuse the language, it just seemed to be best at the time). The CRO has gone far enough. To lie and make a false statement is illegal and is grounds for slander. Never did any member of RAF admit to being in the area **alleged** at the time **alleged** or committing the offence **alleged**.

To make such bold allegations are surprising and dumbfounded. There is yet to be any physical proof that a poster had even been ripped down (evidence of “remains” are required) or that the area alleged even remotely matched the photograph. And MOST IMPORTANT, a still photograph cannot be grounds for such allegations as the person's actions are indeterminate. An intriguing question that the ombudsperson must ask the Progressive Party is this: Whoever took the picture should easily be able to identify the alleged RAF candidate, why not? This is something that the CRO failed to take into consideration. The RAF would like to know which member of Progressive took the picture at what time and who it was that they photographed.

This matter needs to be investigated in order to see that there is no evidence linking the RAF Party in any way to the alleged events that were all captured by a single photograph. This is why RAF asks the ombudsperson to investigate and see for himself that these allegations cannot stand and that such an absurd complaint be struck down.

Again, this is part of a grand scheme between the CRO and Progressive Party to eliminate RAF from the election. Anyone can see the bias after reading some of the complaints. RAF Campaign manager Aaron Takhar may be contact via e-mail at rafparty@hotmail.com or by telephone at 604-537-1503

Thank You,

Sincerely,

RAF PARTY