



Cornell University Student Assembly

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S.A. Resolution #14 Increasing the Transparency of WCM-Q

ABSTRACT: This resolution respectfully requests the release of the charter between Cornell University and the Qatar Foundation.

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Whereas, laborers and foreign national employees continue to face harsh, exploitative working conditions and inadequate protections under Qatari law, as described in International Trade Union Confederation March 2014 report "The Case Against Qatar,"

Whereas, these abuses continue systemically despite Qatar's policy change late December 2016 to ban sponsorship practices, as described by BBC News and Amnesty International;

Whereas, these labor abuses, and recent allegations of research misconduct, have been connected to Education City, which Cornell is directly affiliated with, disappointing the Cornell student body;

Whereas, there is an astounding lack of transparency regarding the internal affairs and functions of the Education City university extensions, as all but one of the Universities have not made public their charters with the Qatar Foundation;

Be it therefore resolved, that the original charter between Cornell University and the Qatar Foundation be made public for increased transparency.

Respectfully Submitted,

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