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Statement on the assault of the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cape Town on 14 October 2016

We, the undersigned members of the Faculty of Health Sciences Deanery and Dean's Advisory Committee note, with dismay, the events that occurred on the afternoon of Friday 14 October when the Vice-Chancellor and other members of the Executive met with a group of protesters outside the Bremner building.

We reject, without qualification, violence in all forms. We are outraged by the assault on the Vice-Chancellor. An assault on the person of the Vice-Chancellor is an attack on each of us and must be condemned in the strongest terms.

We reiterate our support of the Vice-Chancellor and his leadership team.

In addition, we reaffirm our unequivocal commitment to addressing the issues underlying the student protests in a peaceful and respectful manner, and in an environment that is conducive to open dialogue between differing views and perspectives.

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