Dear Board Members:

Recent Vermont Legislation requires that Vermont State Education Quality Standards include ethnic groups "that have been historically subject to persecution or genocide" and that the curriculum address "antisemitism."

This was the language that the Legislature included as section B of the definition of Ethnic Groups.

Do **NOT** eliminate Section B's definition of ethnic groups nor the intent of this Section to insure that Vermont's students are educated about the history of racism, antisemitism, bigotry and gender bias.

Thank you,

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