

# Education funding in Ontario unfair to many religious groups: reader

Dear Editor,  
Funding of Ontario's education system is being hotly debated. The Ontario government clings to the Canadian Constitution as the reason for separate school funding, and claims that it is a protected right for Roman Catholics in Ontario. The politicians make no mention of fairness to other faith groups, or equitable treatment of all Ontarians.

Ontario residents have not been informed by any government that they have a right to equal treatment, established with Ontario's concurrence when Canada signed the United Nations' Covenant on Civil and Political Rights in 1976. The Covenant requires the Canadian government to revise constitutional provisions which do not comply with the Covenant — a duty that is being ignored.

Ontario's continued discriminatory

funding of one faith is a clear violation of the Covenant. Therefore, Friends of the Public Education in Ontario, Inc. has filed a claim against Canada with the United Nations Human Rights Committee in Geneva on the

basis that Ontario contravenes international law.

People should not have to organize, lobby, go to court or spend private dollars to hold a government to its promise to treat citizens

## LETTERS

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**CORRECTION NOTICE**

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Page 17 Item 1, Dual Lantern, 65-3015-4  
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