Submission from Donald MacGregor

- Dear Sir,
- I wish, as a member of the General Council of the University of St Andrews, to oppose the provisions of this unnecessary Bill.
- Your reasons, in brief, are as follows:
- (1) the autonomy of the University will be greatly weakened and it will be vulnerable to direct political influence;
- (2) its academic reputation will suffer;
- (3) it will lose its edge, in a global market, to attract the best students, the best academic staff and funding;
- (4) this will be bad for St Andrews, for Scottish higher education, for the economy, for the country;
- (5) it is unnecessary.

I would ask your committee to reject this Bill.

Yours etc