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Dear Mr. Rotblatt,

We write in response to your letter of August 11, 2006, in which you reject the application of the Alliance of Concerned Jewish Canadians for membership in the Canadian Jewish Congress.

We have had some difficulty understanding the grounds for your rejection; but to the extent that we do understand them, we cannot accept them.

You state in your letter that you have found our aims and objectives to conflict with those of the CJC, which you say “mandates the organization to take the action it deems appropriate in defending the status, rights and welfare of the Canadian Jewish community, other diaspora communities and the Jewish people of the state of Israel.”

You state that CJC Bylaw 66 “mandates” the National Officers of CJC to “determine” CJC “fundamental policy within its ‘Aims and Objectives’”, and all of this has left you with “no option but to deny [our] request for membership within Canadian Jewish Congress.”

Part of our difficulty in understanding your decision is your obstinate refusal, through your legal counsel, of our request to see the contents of Bylaw 66 or any more concrete statement of the “aims and objectives” of the CJC. As you know, we have

