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To whom it may concern,

Learning opportunities outside the classroom are an absolute essential in providing added value to any engineering education. In order for students to become key actors in the development of society, they must be given the opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities. The students at the University of Ottawa are already active in several engineering competitions each of which highlights a particular focus on teamwork, original design, project management and prototype fabrication. These events provide students valuable experience for their future careers.

For its first time, the University of Ottawa's Faculty of Engineering will be sending a delegation at the 2018 Québec Engineering Games. This is the largest provincial engineering competition in Canada. It surely represents an important opportunity for our students who will be competing in academic, cultural and sporting events against their comrades from 11 other engineering faculties across Québec. Our delegation will need to draw on their knowledge, skills, creativity and personal talents throughout these events. The Faculty of Engineering will strongly support its delegation both financially and by facilitating its preparation for the competition in coming months. In fact, a first class Makerspace facility will be made available for the design and fabrication of the "Machine" for the robotics competition of the Engineering Games.

We are very pleased that our team will benefit from a top notch leadership student group for the University of Ottawa's first participation in the competition. With the support of the Faculty of Engineering, several students have carried out missions to the Québec Engineering Games over the past few years. This was done to ensure that our delegation will reap full benefits during its first official participation in January 2018 while proudly representing our University.

Your support, combined with the established guidance of our Faculty, represents a major asset and an investment in the future that will make it possible for our delegation to have a fulfilling experience. I strongly support this initiative from our student leaders. I hope that you can join us in supporting them in their first participation in the Québec Engineering Games.

Sincerely,

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