This is definitively sending the wrong message. It is an unfortunate experience for these students. Free education should be used as a 'weapon' against xenophobia and sanctions. Indeed, in some of these countries, it could be used to give women voice... Connecting to other students in a globalized debate should help everyone to make better-informed decisions of how to govern themselves.

I agree with Justin that there were a few statements that appeared positive. Perhaps my perception as an outsider from South America is that even politicians are better prepared (even to give a speech) there then in here. In here this minister would be Pele, Maradona and Messi all together. None of our leaders here are talking about those things. The quality of the people we have here making the same type of decision can't pronounce MOOC, we only get the naysayers. For you to have one idea, secondary