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Dear Mr. Englert:

B'nai B'rith Educators Unit is a group of Philadelphia and Suburban teachers and administrators, many of whom are Temple graduates and contributors. We are writing to you to express our outrage and concern over Professor Marc Lamont Hill's remarks last week at the United Nations International Day of Solidarity and his continued tenure at Temple University.

Everyone has the right to freedom of speech, but not the right to advocate hatred, violence and annihilation as Dr. Hill did towards Israel and the Jewish people. When a university Professor stands up and verbally spews anti-Semitic remarks to a worldwide audience, one has to question the individual agenda, and the possibility that the agenda is being passed along to his students. This is an unacceptable practice.

In your recent letter, you stated that Temple University condemns anti-Semitic, racist, and vile remarks against any person, nor will Temple support violence against any group of specific persons. However, your support and continued employment of Professor Hill does in fact contradict your letter and its statements.

Recently, CNN dismissed Professor Hill as a commentator. Although Professor Hill has apologized for his words, CNN upheld their decision to terminate his position. It appears that CNN does not want to be associated with a person who has proudly demonstrated his anti-Semitic views. So why is Temple still supporting and continuing his employment?

Professor Hill's continued employment risks Temple's reputation as a university that espouses peace, tolerance and inclusivity and the commitment to teach those ideals to their students. Temple University must condemn Professor Hill and act to terminate his employment.

Sincerely,

Judith Gerben Lundy
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