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Ministère de l'Éducation nationale L'honorable Minister Claude MEISCH L-2926 Luxembourg Luxembourg

Dear Minister MEISCH,

My name is Patryk P. RYBIŃSKI, and I am the President of FAD – Fathers Against Discrimination a.s.b.l.. Our association has been created to become a platform of dialogue to promote children's rights and gender equality for both parents.

FAD keeps receiving reports and complaints from Luxembourg parents describing difficulties they encounter when in contact with teachers, Maison Relais staff or Luxembourg school administration while seeking information regarding their children after separation and divorce.

Apparently, some teachers and other members of staff are not aware of Luxembourg law in relation to Parental Authority. Unfortunately, this may lead to violations of parental rights denying access or making it very difficult for one of the parents to acquire information about their child(ren).

We have been made aware of numerous cases where teachers and staff assume that it is only up to the parent who has the legal custody (garde légale) to make important decisions related to children (e.g., approval of a choice of lycée). However, such is not the case if both parents have parental authority. Shared parental authority means important decisions must be taken by both parents with both parents having access to all information regarding their child(ren).





Would you be so kind as to introduce the necessary steps and communicate internally the true meaning of the law to avoid these misunderstandings?

Also, in view of the upcoming local and parliamentary elections we would like to have the opportunity to meet with you to discuss the above as well as other issues concerning equality between parents and the perception of parents' roles presented in the Luxembourg public schools.

Please advise when would be the most appropriate date and time to organize such a meeting. We will do our best to adjust to your schedule.

Most respectfully,

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Patryk P. RYBIŃSKI President

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PS Please find attached "L'autorité parentale au Grand-Duché de Luxembourg", the official document issued by the Ministry of Justice of Luxembourg.



