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OECTA RESPONSE REGARDING OTPP INVESTMENT IN GEO GROUP, INC.

OECTA is outraged by the news that the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan (OTPP), at any point, held shares in GEO Group, Inc. Investing in GEO Group, Inc. effectively supports the detestable immigration policies and detention practices of the Trump administration, which have been condemned by citizens of conscience around the world, including our Association.

While we understand that the OTPP no longer holds shares in GEO Group, Inc., and accept that the company was part of a large stock index, the Plan has assured teachers in the past that rigorous screening measures and exclusion criteria are in place to prevent these kinds of investments from happening. Through the Ontario Teachers' Federation, OECTA will be taking appropriate action to ensure that our members' pension plan is never again managed in a manner so far removed from the social values of Catholic teachers.