

CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER RULING

Toronto Metropolitan Students' Union General Elections 2024

The following is a ruling of the CRO relating to the 2024 TMSU General Election.

The rules and procedures of the election are determined by the TMSU By-Laws and the Election Procedure Code, which can be found here: yourtmsu.ca/election

Ruling Code #	CRO#001
Date Received:	February 15,2024
Date of Ruling:	February 22,2024
Related Rulings	-
Type of Decision	Initial ruling
Nature of Decision	Violation of the rules
Complainant/CRO:	Complaint
Nominee/ Candidate:	Yumna Hussain
Alleged Violation in By-laws or the Code	Section 8.3.7.2 [Unsolicited and group messages]
Relevant Penalties provided in the Code	Unsolicited campaigning [including email, phone call and social media]

Evidence presented by the Complainant/CRO:

The CRO received a screenshot of the unsolicited message which was sent in a group chat by the candidate. Unsolicited messages and sending messages in group chat is against the rules. The candidate broke the rule to get nominations for candidacy.



Evidence presented by the Nominee/Candidate:

The candidate has acknowledged and provided evidence that they did send a message in the group chat and acknowledged that it is against the rules.

CRO/ERC Decision:

The CRO has made a decision to penalize the candidate based on the evidence

CRO/ERC Decision	
Penalties Issued	10 demerit points
Deadline to Appeal	48 hours

