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Vice Chancellor Mamokgethi Phakeng

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Dear Vice Chancellor

The Cape SA Jewish Board of Deputies would like to express their great distress at learning about the fire at UCT.

Most of the members of our Board are UCT graduates and to see engulfed in flames images of our beloved library, in which so many of us have spent so many hours researching and reading, have filled us with great sadness.

We should like at the same time to congratulate you on your efficiency in rapidly taking steps to evacuate the students and make arrangements for them and temporarily cancel lectures and exams At a time of economic distress caused by the Covid-19 pandemic the destruction of many of the UCT buildings must cause you great anxiety.

Our community shares with you and the university our anguish and sorrow.

With deep sympathy
Tzví Brívík

Tzvi Brivik

Chairman

