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### **UCT Media Update on recent critical developments**

A number of events and decisions have taken place at the University of Cape Town over the past few days. Please see below the critical developments that have occurred. For further information about all these points, please visit the UCT website: [www.uct.ac.za](http://www.uct.ac.za).

- UCT management and the Nehawu Joint Shop Stewards Council have concluded an historic agreement that UCT will insource six outsourced services, including cleaning, residence catering, gardening, campus security and staff and student transport.
- UCT confirms that the interdict previously granted on 19 October 2015 was cancelled via a legal process. The interdict is therefore no longer in place. The Western Cape Director of Public Prosecutions has withdrawn charges against those arrested on 20 October 2015.
- UCT has made representation to the state to overturn the charges related to the arrests of those in the vicinity of Parliament on 21 October; we await feedback. The investigation is still to be finalised before a final decision is made on that matter.
- The set of exams scheduled to be written from 27 October to 13 November 2015 will move to a new date – still to be determined. Once the new date is set, students will be given notice in order to be able to prepare properly.
- There will be a 0% increase in fees for academic tuition and housing at UCT in 2016 for all students from the African continent.
- It is our hope that essential services will come on stream in the next 48 hours and that we can return to full capacity over the next few days.
- For further updates, please visit the [UCT homepage: www.uct.ac.za](http://www.uct.ac.za)