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SUSK Calls on Member USOs to Help Save Spirit Lake Internment Cemetery

SUSK calls on its member Ukrainian Students' Organizations (USOs) to join the UCCLA campaign asking the federal Minister of Canadian Heritage, the Hon. Mélanie Joly to address the situation of an abandoned Government of Canada cemetery containing the remains of *at least* 16 men and children.

Minister Joly is being asked for help in saving a Great War cemetery. During Canada's first national internment operations of 1914-1920, a large camp holding Ukrainians and other Europeans was established at Spirit Lake, (today, La Ferme) in the Abitibi region of Québec.

Efforts over the years to restore and re-consecrate this cemetery have not been successful. It has now fallen into serious disrepair and will soon be lost forever in the region's boreal forest.

SUSK has created a template for its member USOs to write to Minister Joly. USOs can download and edit this version on the SUSK website [here](#).



Letters can be mailed free of charge to Minister Joly at the address below:

Hon. Mélanie Joly, MP
Minister of Canadian Heritage
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON, K1A 0A6

On behalf of the National SUSK Executive,

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