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Mr Rob Whiteman



## Dear Rob

I was interested to read the report in the Sunday Times which indicated that the Speculative Society had decided to admit women. I am deeply sceptical of all I read in the press, and wondered if you would feel able to let me know the formal position. This would simply be for my background information, so that I can deal with any queries raised with me from a properly informed position.

As I know you will well understand, in making this request I am in no way implying that the Society is under any obligation to report to the University about its activities or policies.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

University Secretary

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