Geacht College van Bestuur, Beste Geert, Karen & Jan

During the plenary meeting on the 5th of April 2021 the Centrale Studentenraad (hierna: CSR) has consented to your request for consent on the function profile for the ombudsperson (uw referentie: 2021cu0204).

Thank you for sending us the renewed version of the function profile for the ombudsperson. We are pleased to see that so much of our feedback has been put in the renewed version, and we would, hereby, like to consent to the function profile of the ombudsperson, as received on the 30th of March 2021.

There are, however, two comments to the latest version of the function profile that we would like to mention.
Firstly, the Dutch version of the function profile states that the ombudsperson is appointed for a 4-year term, while the English version states a 5-year term. The previous version of the function profile also mentions a 5-year period, while the added document embedding the ombudsperson in the UvA mentions “for a period of four years, with the possibility of extending the term twice.” We believe that what is meant is a 4-year term, with the possibility of extending it twice, coming to a maximum of 12 years total. We consent to this period of 4 years, in line with other terms proposed in the renewed university regulations.

Secondly, we want to point out that we are content with our involvement in the initial procedure as well as the evaluation. We appreciate the new article "Monitoring and evaluation of the position of ombudsperson", that gives the opportunity for the continuous evaluation of the ombudsperson and the resources provided. However, the Central Student Council would like to be more involved with the evaluation procedures. Therefore, we would like to propose the following change to be taken into consideration: “The budget and experiences regarding the
support of the ombudsperson are also discussed with the Central Student Council and the Central Workers Council.”

We hope to continue the close collaboration in current and future endeavors to ensure our university will become a safer place for all.

Met vriendelijke groet,

Nina Hol
Voorzitter CSR 20|21