March 7, 2014

Statement from York University President Mamdouh Shoukri

I would like to express my thoughts and concerns for our two students who were injured when a firearm was discharged on the evening of March 6th on our Keele campus. Toronto Police Service was called immediately and York University is co-operating with Toronto Police Service in their investigation.

Our immediate focus is on supporting the two students and their families, and in providing counseling support for York Community members. Senior University representatives have been with the victims at the hospital, and I am appreciative to hear that both are receiving the treatment they need. I am thankful to understand their injuries are non-life-threatening.

As we have resumed normal operations, the University has taken several measures to enhance safety on campus, including increasing security patrols and the use of Toronto Police Service.

Mamdouh Shoukri
President and Vice-Chancellor