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I have just been sent a summary of the treatment of Prof. Helmuth Nyborg, in part, for articles that he published in *Intelligence*, the journal I edit. The bedrock of a university is a free and open exchange of ideas in a climate of toleration. By failing to defend Prof. Nyborg's right to express ideas freely, you are eroding that bedrock foundation. It will eventually come to haunt you and your university as we have seen so many times in the past. I urge you, as I have before, to make a strong defense of Prof. Nyborg to express his ideas openly and with toleration by others. This issue will not be resolved until you do that and the likelihood is that different issues will arise testing the same principles. Without a firm and consistently applied defense of freedom of expression and toleration what a university stands for will slowly be destroyed over time.

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