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Dear Mr Brook

Freedom of information request

Thank you for your email of 17 January 2018 requesting a list of banned books.

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You requested a list of books that have been removed during 2017 as a result of students or other pressure groups requesting their removal, from any libraries operated by the University. I can confirm that no books have been withdrawn from circulation because of students or other groups requesting their removal. Furthermore, we have no records of receiving any requests or pressure to remove material from our collections.

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Yours sincerely

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