

*The Bloc Québécois denounces in the strongest terms the statements made by Globe and Mail Journalist Jan Wong in the Saturday, September 16 edition of that newspaper.*

*Claiming that there may be some link between the tragedy at Dawson College and Bill 101 – which the journalist calls “infamous” – reveals a delirious and defamatory disconnect from the reality of Quebec.*

*Quebec is an inclusive and welcoming society and a wonderful place to live. As an immigrant, I very quickly felt welcome and I deplore the fact that someone could question the openness of the people of Quebec.*

*Taken together with “Québécoistan” by Barbara Kay, it seems clear to us that English Canada is too quick to tolerate “Quebec bashing.”*

*I urge the Conservative government and the other opposition parties to immediately denounce these unacceptable remarks that question the choices, values and foundations of Quebec society.*

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