

## **ETFO Proposal Meets Government's Costing/Financial Parameters**

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TORONTO, ON, December 18, 2008 --There has been some confusion in the media over the costing of the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO) proposal tabled during provincial framework discussions.

While the Minister of Education's *Letter to the Editor* published in today's Sarnia Observer is consistent with her remarks in the Legislature, it is important to understand how ETFO's proposal was developed.

There was initial disagreement between ETFO and the government around the costs of creating 1,500 additional teaching positions.

After lengthy discussions with Ministry and Finance officials, and at times with board representatives, ETFO adopted both the government's costing and financial parameters.

The Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario represents 73,000 elementary public school teachers and education workers across the province and is the largest teacher federation in Canada.

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