May 30, 1977

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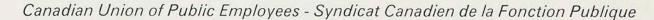
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June 23, 1977.

Ms. Melody Rudd, Secretary-Treasurer, Association of Universities and College Employees, 1113 - 207 West Hastings St., Vancouver, B.C.

## Re: B.C. Universities and Colleges Conference

Dear Sister Rudd:

Please forgive the delay in my replying to your correspondence of May 30th concerning the above.

With respect to your enquiry about the possibility of conducting a Conference of B.C. Colleges and Universities to discuss our common interests and problems, please be advised that CUPE and its locals would be pleased to participate and be involved. Certainly, such an exchange of information would be beneficial to all University locals concerned and would serve to strengthen our position.

May I suggest that such a Conference be held on the week-end of August 27th and 28th at a mutually agreed upon location. Since I will be out of the office between July 18th and August 12th, the week-end of August 27th would be the first and most convenient opportunity for me as well as other CUPE Representatives.

As you may be aware, the CUPE Research Department is now producing sophisticated collective agreement contract analysis surveys as a result of its SALAD computer system. We are producing surveys in all of our respective occupational jurisdictions including Universities. For this Conference, the CUPE Research Department would be prepared to produce a B.C. Universities and Colleges survey outlining some 100 collective agreement articles on a comparative basis for all the unionized Universities.

Would you please let me know your thoughts on the subject as soon as is convenient. In any event, in future would you please be good enough to direct all enquiries or correspondence to Brother Ray Mercer, CUPE B.C. Acting Director at the following address:



Ms. Melody Rudd, Page 2 June 23, 1977.

> Lower Mainland Area Office, Canadian Union of Public Employees, 4925 Canada Way, Suite 228, Burnaby, B.C. V5G 1M1

We will take the responsibility of communicating and contacting the CUPE Locals about this Conference when the details are finalized.

Let me take this opportunity to extend my sincere thanks for your invitation to constructively work together.

Fraternally,

Richard Deaton

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Acting Director of Research.

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