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The following are my reasons for not supporting any protest demonstration regarding opposition to the recent wage control legislation.

Firstly, I am concerned that, in effect, any demonstration would mean approval of support of other labor movements such as the C. L. C. and C. U. P. E. Some union leaders are apparently prepared to disobey the laws of Canada and the new president of the national C. U. P. E. union has advocated militant action! - As a conscientious Canadian I do not support that kind of action.

Secondly, such demonstrations have already proved to be futile. Whenever the Prime Minister comes to Vancouver, various groups have demonstrated against his policies. Nothing has ever been gained by such action. He is well aware of labor opposition and to publicly protest has no constructive effect whatsoever, in my opinion. In fact, it usually has an adverse effect and such groups gain a reputation as radical "Rabble - Rousers" and alienate public sympathy. I cannot think that A. U. C. E. would wish to be associated with the possibility of such an image.

Finally, but most important, is the disrespect such action would show toward our working colleagues involved in the TRIUMF PROJECT and to the office of the Prime Minister of Canada. TRIUMF is a remarkable achievement and I feel that there

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should be no disruptions of proceedings during this important event - it is their day, not ours, and it discredits our Union to embarrass the University on this outstanding occasion.

I have yet to be convinced that there is any worthwhile purpose to this suggested action.

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