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Mr. William Smalley
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Canadian Labour Congress
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Dear Brother Smalley:

Further to our conversation of Thursday September 6th, I wish to confirm our arrangements for you to meet with the Executive of A.U.C.E. Provincial on Friday September 14th at 8:30 p.m. in order that we may discuss affiliation with the Canadian Labour Congress.

The letter dated August 20th, from Dennis McDermott, has raised several queries which we expect to be able to discuss with you on Friday night.

Firstly, would you refer to us those sections of the C.L.C. Constitution that would require some adjustment on our part in order to meet the requirements for affiliation to the Canadian Labour Congress. In referring us to those sections of the C.L.C. Constitution, would you advise us on the alternatives for meeting those requirements. For example, in our first letter, we indicated a desire to affiliate as a provincial organisation. Which sections within the Constitution of the C.L.C. preclude our application as A.U.C.E. is currently constituted? And, what, if any, changes would be required in the A.U.C.E. Constitution in order to comply with the requirements for acceptance as a Provincial Organisation in the C.L.C.?

Secondly, we understand in the C.L.C. Constitution that C.L.C. affiliates are also considered affiliates of Provincial and/or Municipal labour organisations, e.g. Vancouver and District Labour Council, B.C. Federation of Labour, Prince George and District Labour Council. What number of representatives would we be allowed to each of these other bodies? If affiliation to such bodies is not automatic would you advise that A.U.C.E. proceed to affiliate with these other bodies prior to obtaining affiliate status with the C.L.C.?

Thirdly, what role does the Canadian Labour Congress play in servicing affiliates during strike or lock-out periods? And, what legal assistance can an affiliate expect?

As I requested on the phone we would appreciate having twenty copies of the Canadian Labour Congress Constitution for our Provincial Executive, as well as any other policy handbook or fact-sheet that is available. Our members would also be interested in seeing copies of the C.L.C. newsletter or magazine.

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We look forward to what we hope is the first of a series of meetings to discuss the possibilities of affiliation to the Canadian Labour Congress.

In Solidarity,



Sheila N.L. Perret
Secretary-Treasurer