

April 21st, 1979.

AUCE 2 DEMANDS DROP THE CHARGES!

AUCE local 2 is here today to reaffirm its unconditional support for the 18 people who were FORCIBLY REMOVED FROM OUR LEGAL PICKET LINE and subsequently charged with "obstructing a police officer in the course of his duty." We demand that all charges against these people be dropped!

At no point during the course of events leading up to the arrests were the picketers ordered to disperse nor were they informed that their picket line was illegal. The police advanced upon the LEGAL picket line without prior warning and in a show of undue violence forcibly removed and arrested 18 of the picketers.

The implications of such strike-breaking tactics have obviously been far-reaching for AUCE 2. The University was consequently able to obtain an injunction limiting the effectiveness of our picket line.

Immediately upon hearing of the RCMP's show of force, the AUCE 2 executive passed the following motion:

That the AUCE 2 Executive condemn the police provocation and brutality on the picket line today.

March 22, 1979

At the general membership meeting of March 27, a further motion was passed to demand that the charges against the 18 be dropped.

The AUCE 2 membership has expressed further support for the SFU 18 in the form of a \$1,000 donation for their defense fund.