

BUSINESS ARISING FROM SPECIAL CONVENTION - Correspondence with CLC

On the 14 April and 16 April, letters were sent to Dennis McDermott, President of the CLC by the Secretary-Treasurer on behalf of the Provincial Executive, with the following requests:

April 14th letter "... we would very much appreciate it if CLC Convention Delegates could be informed of the affiliation application made by this union and further we would ask that the CLC Executive make known to the delegates the negative response and the reasons for the response. "

April 16th letter "..... there is a question the AUCE Provincial Executive would appreciate having considered by the CLC Executive.
Prior to the meetings between the AUCE Provincial Cross-Local Affiliation Committee and William Smalley, and subsequently between AUCE and BCGEU, and CUPE, and OTEU, an issue felt to be important to this Executive, was and is that mention was never made of any of the three affiliates' objection(s) to AUCE's application for affiliate status.
What we would like to know now is whether indeed any CLC affiliate had made an objection to AUCE's application and if so, which union(s) object to AUCE being granted affiliate status. Thank you for taking the time with our request. "

The response of the CLC to these letters follows.

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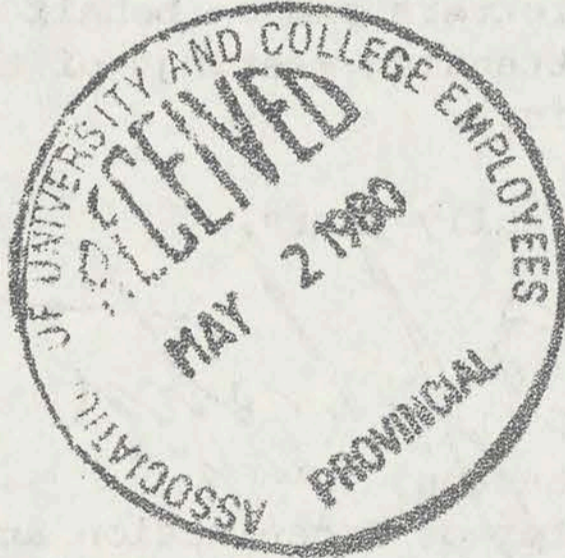


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Dear Sister Perret:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letters dated April 14th and April 16th, 1980. Your letter of April 14th was received in this office on April 25th, 1980 and your letter of April 16th was received on April 24th, 1980.

With respect to your letter of April 14th, 1980, I wish to advise that we did not give a negative response to your application for affiliation to the Congress, we were, in fact, very positive.

In line with Article III - Membership of the Constitution of the Canadian Labour Congress which states in part:

Article III - Section 2 - "Charters or certificates of affiliation shall not be issued which conflict with the jurisdiction of any affiliate except with written consent of such unions etc..."

and again

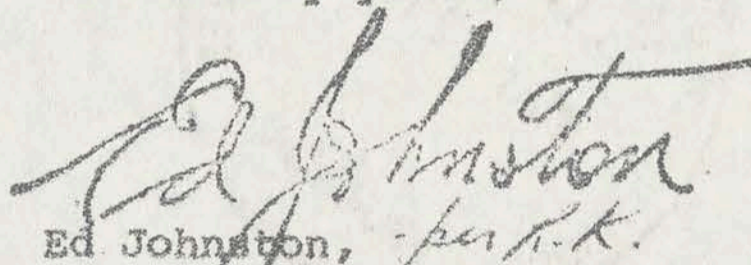
"each affiliate is entitled to have its autonomy, integrity and jurisdiction protected and preserved."

and in view of these provisions, we referred your organization to those unions having jurisdiction in the work field which your membership occupies.

With respect to your letter of April 16th, 1980, in which you seek information on affiliates' objections to your application, please be advised that as of this date, outside of the constitutional provision which we are governed by, we have not had objections to your application for affiliation, that is to my knowledge, and I suppose the reason for that is that you have been holding discussions with these other groups.

Trusting this responds to your letters and on behalf of President McDermott, who is in Winnipeg attending meetings of the Executive Council of the Congress, I remain,

Fraternally yours,



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