



association of university and college employees

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Dear Ms. Doyle:

In response to your letter of January 25, 1982, I find it necessary to make several comments.

The statement circulated at VGH, referred to in my letter to Doctors Courtemanche, Gellman, Korn and Grant does not specify "unions other than the Hospital Employees' Union which are certified to represent Vancouver, General Hospital employees i.e., the British Columbia Nurses' Union, the Health Sciences Association, the Professional Association of Residents and Internes and the International Union of Operating Engineers." Furthermore, the memo you refer to not only failed to specify these unions, it in fact was posted in the various places WHERE AUCE MEMBERS CURRENTLY WORK AT VGH. The memo did not exclude AUCE members, and AUCE members were understandably under the impression that it did indeed include them as they of course consider themselves as part of "THE OTHER MAJOR UNIONS WHOSE MEMBERS WORK AT VGH."

I cannot believe that you would expect that should the Hospital Employees' Union put up a picket line in front of the hospital, AUCE members would not be affected by that line - that it is not necessary for them to enter the hospital in order to go to work.

On behalf of the AUCE local I Executive, I reiterate our demand that the administrators responsible for this misrepresentation of our Union's position regarding the crossing of picket lines retract this misleading and erroneous statement.

Yours truly,

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cc: W.L. Clark
Dr. A.D. Courtemanche
Dr. D.D. Gellman
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