

STEERING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION PROPOSED TO THE LOWER MAINLAND SOLIDARITY COALITION MEETING ON NOVEMBER 14, 1983.

BE IT RESOLVED;

1. That we seek a commitment/^{union} from Operation Solidarity that in any negotiations of "non-labour" or community group issues, representatives ~~from the Solidarity Coalition be involved.~~
2. That we seek the distribution of information on human rights, tenants, social service, health and educational issues through Operation Solidarity networks. This information to be prepared by members of the Provincial Solidarity Coalition.
3. That all relations between Operation Solidarity, the provincial Solidarity Coalition and the Lower Mainland Solidarity Coalition (IMSC) be carried out with clear lines of accountability.
4. That we seek a reaffirmation from Operation Solidarity of their policy of no reprisals against community groups and/or individuals.
5. That the IMSC send another letter to union Locals requesting participation in the Lower Mainland Solidarity Coalition.
6. That the IMSC hold a one day conference/workshop on November 26th.
7. That the IMSC prepare and distribute a leaflet to the B.C. Federation of Labour convention to reaffirm our commitment to the demand for withdrawal of all the legislation and restoration of social services and to continue fighting until this is achieved.
8. That we produce and distribute a leaflet to community groups to explain what has occurred, the necessity of moving forward and the need for individual actions by groups.
9. That we seek co-sponsorship with Operation Solidarity of a demonstration/rally during the week of the B.C. Federation of Labour convention focusing on the issue of human rights.

be conducted by the coalition with support of SPSC

THAT THE LOWER MAINLAND SOLIDARITY COALITION ADOPT AND COMMUNICATE
THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

1. We acknowledge such trade union gains as were won in the agreement between Operation Solidarity and the provincial government; however, that agreement is not a settlement of our issues, namely the withdrawal or repeal of all offensive legislation and full restoration of social services.
2. We express our strong disagreement with the absence of full consultation in the recent negotiating and discussions, with the Provincial Solidarity Steering Committee.
3. The coalition must continue its unified fight against the budget and legislative package. Furthermore, we do not believe that the fightback is limited to the terms of the agreement.
4. We call for firm commitments from Operation Solidarity to give assistance to our fightback, in terms of mobilizations and resources, including adequate funding for the Lower Mainland Solidarity Coalition and the actions it wants to facilitate.
5. We recognize that "consultation" will only be as effective as the degree to which it is based on mass political pressure directed against the government. We must ensure that any "consultation" takes place as an open and democratic process, and serves as a mechanism for further mobilization of our forces. All presentations must be made by the Coalition as a whole, and no separate deals will be struck.
6. Progress on any "consultations" should be reviewed in two weeks in a joint meeting of Operation Solidarity, the provincial Coalition, and the Lower Mainland Coalition.

Submitted by the Steering Committee
November 14, 1983