

Special Attachment Regarding the Provincial Government's
Misleading Allegations Concerning the CUPE Local 1975
Strike at the University of Regina and University of Saskatchewan

The Complainants bring the following to the specific attention of the ILO GB and CFA as it relates to our concerns about the accuracy of the provincial government's submissions to you.

Emergency services were not put in jeopardy during the CUPE 1975 strike at the Universities.

At the University of Regina:

- Every CUPE 1975 member was on strike for the duration of the labour dispute
- The Union set up an emergency services protocol and process that was made available to the employer should the Employer request or need such services
- The Employer never made a single request for such services of any kind during the total duration of the labour dispute

At the University of Saskatchewan:

- No medical appointments were cancelled as a consequence of the workers in that area being on strike
- The workers in that area who went on strike were responsible for booking appointments for medical specialists
- All appointments for medical specialists that were booked for the period of the labour dispute were booked by the workers months before the strike
- Appointments for medical specialists are normally booked many months in advance because of the shortage of medical specialists in Saskatchewan, a fact well known and widely discussed in the media and the legislature
- Scheduled medical appointments were able to proceed and general medical emergencies were handled
- During the dispute, the Union did in fact provide clerical staff to be used where management deemed needed
- Management did not deploy those staff to handle the appointments they allege were not handled during the strike
- For a short time, management actually planned to staff the Tim Horton's coffee and doughnut outlet as an "integral" part of the university culture