REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Submitted by E. B. Dubé June 17, 1991.

Was unable to attend our last Regular Monthly Meeting as I was a participant in the Local Officer's Advanced Training Education Course (LOAT). I did, however, submit a verbal report by telephone (at my own expense) from Mont-Ste-Marie that evening to give an account of what was taking place during that week as well as to provide an update on strike information provided there by J. Hurens, 3rd Vice-President of the Alliance and B. Perron, a Staff Member. The course was very informative and provided a location away from the workplace where Members could freely exchange ideas and make new contacts with whom to exchange vital information. I would recommend this course to all Members of my Executive who have not already attended.

I also attended an Equal Oportunities Meeting (EO) the weekend of the 8th and 9th of June and the groundwork has begun in preparation of the Conference which will be held in the Fall There were representatives there from all the provinces as well as from the Territories and an enormous amount of work was accomplished. I shall be explaining the difficulties we encounter when trying to orchestrate a mass mailing to all Missions abroad and will be submitting it to a special committee who are rewriting the terms of reference for EO and, hopefully, for exercises as complex as these, special provisions or considerations will be granted to Local 70125 when deadlines are to be met. Your input or thoughts would be appreciated.

Just this morning I attended with Gary Doherty, Vice-President, Outside Canada, and Lloyd Fucile of the National Component, a meeting with the ADM of Personnel, Officers of Staff Relations, Representatives of other Unions and Associations on another re-organization and reduction of the EX complement. this information is embargoed until the general meeting tomorrow morning, I cannot report on what took place but can assure you that we attended with your best interests at heart. evening I will be attending a strike co-ordination meeting with Members of our Executive and Brother Gil Maurice, our representative for the Passport Office, and will pass on any relevant information to as many of you as possible. I also will be attending a meeting this Thursday relating specifically to shift workers.

The rest of my time has been spent filing grievances, liaising with Staff Relations via-à-vis scheduling of hearings, meetings with our Service Officer and, as usual, just generally representating our Members.