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SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

MEMORANDUM

To SENATE	From SENATE AGENDA COMMITTEE
REQUEST TO UNDERTAKE PHOTOGRAPHY/ Subject TAPING DURING SENATE DISCUSSION ON COMMUNICATION STUDIES PROPOSAL	Date OCTOBER 24, 1972

A request has been received for permission to undertake photography/taping during the Senate discussion on the Communication Studies proposal. See the attached.

The Agenda Committee believes this request should be dealt with by the Senate - without comment by the Committee as to its merits or demerits.

Senate has ruled that there may be a short period before Senate meetings begin when photography and recording may be permitted, but that this would not be allowed while Senate is in session.

The Agenda Committee proposes that the following motion be placed before Senate at its meeting of November 6, 1972 as soon as it convenes for Open Session, to permit decision by Senate:

MOTION: "That Senate suspend its rule that interferes with photography/taping for the Open Session of November 6, 1972 to permit of photography/taping as requested during debate on the Communication Studies proposal."

Note: A motion to suspend the rules is non-debatable and requires a two-thirds vote to pass.

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Dr. K. Strand Presidents Office Simon Fraser University October 24th, 1972

Dear Dr. Strand:

I am writing to ask you whether a group of students, all of us interested in communications and the proposed new Communications Department, could videotape Senate discussion of the Communications proposal.

There are two basic reasons we wish to tape this session of Senate:

- a) to tape such a meeting intelligently is an enormous challenge for students interested in communications,
- b) it seems only fitting that the inception of a Communications Department should be recorded in a typical communications medium. It will be of value for those students who cannot attend and for posterity.

We realize that there are good reasons why Senate would not want to have all its proceedings videotaped. However, we submit that the present occasion is sufficiently exceptional to merit exceptional treatment.

The taping arrangements would be identical to those which Senate experienced before the meetings were opened to the University community, i.e. two stationary, opposed cameras. There would be no editing of the tapes other than splicing between the two camera tapes, or at Senate direction. The tapes would, of course, be the property of the University, which would have complete control over how they are used: we do not envisage them being used other than at the University.

We hope that you are in agreement to this request. Thank you for considering this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Janet Lemmon

c/o Communications Department