

# VOICE – Say **NO** to CFS

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## TELLING QUOTES

"CFS is amazingly irrelevant. They would be very concerned about what we were or weren't doing in Nicaragua or in nuclear-free zones... Their policy agenda seemed to be driven by political correctness."

- **Sean Conway**  
Former Ontario Minister of Education

"CFS has no credibility with the federal and provincial governments."

- **Derek Carlisle**  
Former CFS Government Relations Officer and NB/PEI Fieldworker

"Sadly, the only way to reclaim our voice is to give CFS the mercy killing they have so richly earned."

- **Kelly Lamrock**  
Twice elected CFS National Chair and Chief Lobbyist 1991-1993

"I don't know how an office 10 minutes away from Parliament Hill with 9 full-time staff can manage to do virtually no lobbying or research. It's pathetic"

- **Pat FitzPatrick**  
Vice President (University Affairs), UNB Student Union

## WE KEEP THE SERVICES

**A NO vote to CFS will not affect our Services. These are provided by the corporation called CFS-Services, which is a separately incorporated body. This referendum affects only CFS — we will continue to be members of CFS-Services and pay the \$ 1.50 per year to that organization regardless of the outcome of the referendum. In other words, saying NO to CFS will not affect Travel CUTS, the health plan, the Student Saver card, SWAP or the speakers' bureau. All of these will still be provided to students on campus.**

## UNB Students Have Other Options

**New Brunswick Student Alliance:** Our provincial student voice this year produced campaigns on student loan credit checks and parental contribution. They sponsored the "Reach Out and Touch Camille" call-in campaign to cap tuition hikes. Federally the NBSA has met with 49 MPs to promote policy alternatives and has been covered by the Globe&Mail, CBC NewsWorld, The National, Canada AM, the Canadian Press and CTV National News. We can do a lot provincially... without CFS.

**Atlantic University Cooperation:** Last month we signed agreements with provincial groups in all four Atlantic provinces to work together on federal lobbying, university reform, policy development and research and funding issues through the MPHEC and other regional bodies. Plans for a new Atlantic organization, which would represent over 75 000 students, are underway with the founding conference scheduled for May 1995.

**Canadian Alliance of Student Associations:** CASA is a new coalition of schools ready to try a new way of lobbying — getting smarter, not louder. 20 student unions met at a conference sponsored by the UNB Student Union here in Fredericton last month to form a new national student voice. As CASA grows to include a membership larger than CFS, UNB students can play a vital role shaping its policies, which include: freezing tuition at its current level, university reform, a mechanism to ensure constant funding for universities, debt-load caps and reform of the present student aid system.