



# Memo from the President

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To: Members of the University Community

On Friday, August 30, 1985 I was advised by the Universities Council of British Columbia that no additional funds had been allocated to UBC from the \$3.4 million balance in the unallocated reserve of the **University Adjustments Program** (UAP: The Government's 1985/86 allocation for universities incorporated a 5% reduction in the Sub-Vote for operating grants, but included a new Sub-Vote of \$14.9 million, the UAP, "to assist in program adjustments within and between the universities, faculty renewal, and for research and instruction in emerging and innovative high priority areas.")

A sum of \$2.1 million was allocated: "At the Minister's request, and based on Council's review of budget plans and cash flow requirements of Engineering Education Expansion commitments for 1985/86, an amount of \$2.1 million has been allocated [to UVic and SFU] for release from the UAP" [quoted from the UCBC Chairman's letter to me]. A sum of \$1.3 million remains undistributed, of which \$400,000 is earmarked for possible additional needs for engineering expansion at the University of Victoria and Simon Fraser University. Council will not make a final decision on the remaining \$900,000 until December, 1985.

The 1985-86 budget that the Board of Governors adopted on my recommendation at its meeting of July 4, 1985 contemplated a further allocation from the UAP. Since this has not been forthcoming, we will be unable to meet the expenditures projected in that budget, and a major revision is being undertaken. I am bitterly disappointed in the Council's decision, but the priority for the moment is to deal with this new situation.

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President *pro tem.*