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Dear

Please find attached a letter from our Chair to Corinne and Maurice.

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Professor Corinne May-Chahal and Maurice Bates
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Dear Corinne and Maurice

BASW - The College of Social Work are busy building the accountable social worker led, independent and powerful College that our members have told us in their thousands that they want to see.

You have already told us that you do not seek the statutory powers that we believe essential to ensure that the social work profession is as powerfully influential as it needs to be.

Although you have refused to discuss it with us, the press release issued to announce your deal with Unison appears to compromise your independence by giving an outside, non social work led body control of your membership function and preferential treatment over other equally worthy trade unions.

Unison have an important role but they have previously doubted the relevance of a College and without you talking to us we do rather wonder what if anything has changed.

As you are aware BASW - The College of Social Work have raised two legal issues with you concerning:-

- a) Our advice that your deal with Unison is unlawful.
- b) Our ownership of the company registration for 'College of Social Work' and our request that you desist from using it forthwith.

Neither of these questions have been addressed by you and I have to inform you that the Directors of our Company require a proper response. In these circumstances we do not believe that any Mediator could possibly be expected to undertake any work.

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Once these questions have had an appropriate response we will be pleased to consider your views on how you can support BASW – The College of Social Work.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely

Fran Fuller
Chair

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