

MEDGAR EVERS CHAPTER

THE PSC POSITION ON THE MEDGAR EVERS COLLEGE STUDENTS STRIKE

The deplorable situation which has existed at Medgar Evers College for the past week has resulted in the student body's decision to strike on March 16, 1982.

Although the PSC is in sympathy with the issues presented by the students of Medgar Evers College and supports the rights of the students to strike, the purpose of this notice is to inform students, staff, and faculty of the rights and obligations of CUNY personnel covered by the PSC/CUNY Agreement.

Article 37 of the Agreement states:

"CUNY and the PSC agree that disputes which may arise between them shall be settled without resort to strike or lockout and that the requirements of the law in this regard will not be violated. The University agrees it will not lockout any or all employees during the term of the Agreement and the PSC agrees on behalf of itself and its membership that there shall be no strikes, slow-downs or interference with the normal operation of the City University during the term of this Agreement."

Based upon the interpretation of Article 37 faculty are expected to report to work prepared to discharge their responsibilities. However, faculty may support student issues in any manner that does not violate the PSC/CUNY Agreement.

As of this date, the Central PSC Office and the PSC/Medgar Evers Chapter have sent telegrams to President Trent expressing our support of the students' issues and requesting that he meet with the students immediately in order to resolve the issues.