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SECRETARIES WIN MORE THAN FLOWERS AND LUNCHES

With International Secretaries Week coming to a close, the Service, Office and Retail Workers Union of Canada, Local 1, is proud to announce that negotiations have successfully been completed for three of our clerical units. Bolton, Rush & McGrady, a legal office, has signed its sixth collective agreement with wages ranged from \$7.75 to \$10.00 per hour. The Electrical Trades Credit Union, our first certification in the finance industry, has just signed its second agreement with wages of \$980.00 per month and a 33 hour work week. This contract also provides full benefits for part-time workers and three weeks paid holiday in the second year of work. At the office of Simon Fraser Student Society, a wage re-opener on the third collective agreement has set the wages at \$1,056.00 per month for a 35 hour work week.

Much more than just wages are included in these contracts. Other items include: paid sick leave for the employee and her/his children, paid maternity and paternity leave, some compensation for child care expenses and personal rights clauses which mean a secretary is not required to do personal work for her boss - like bringing coffee or doing personal errands.

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THE SERVICE, OFFICE AND RETAIL WORKERS UNION OF CANADA (SORWUC) is an independent Canadian union, formed by working women in Vancouver in the belief that we can and must organize ourselves. If you would like further information, call us at 684-2834 or 681-2811 or fill in the form below and send it to SORWUC at #1114 - 207 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B. C.

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