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MAY GENERAL MEETING:

As previously announced, the General Meeting of the MEDICAL REFORM GROUP OF ONTARIO will be held Saturday and Sunday, May 15 & 16, 1982, at the SOUTH RIVERDALE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE, 126 PAPE AVENUE (just north of Queen Street East), TORONTO.

Registration will commence at 8:30 a.m., on May 15th. Fee is \$10.00.

Here is an outline of the expected programme, which we are sure you will find of great interest:

SATURDAY, MAY 15, a.m. - MRG Business Session. We will consider MRG Steering Committee Report, Financial Report, Budget, Fee Schedule, Reports of Chapters, Reports of Working Groups, Committees, etc.

SATURDAY May 15, afternoon -

1:00 p.m. - DR. MALCOLM TAYLOR, Faculty of Administrative Studies, York University:

"HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT OF MEDICARE IN CANADA"

3:00 p.m. - MICHEL TRAHAN, PhD.

Government of Canada, Ottawa:

"HISTORY AND CURRENT STATE OF THE AUSTRALIAN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM", with possible comment on different health care systems in other countries - e.g., France, Sweden, etc.

Evening: - A GROUP DINNER IS BEING ARRANGED WHERE MEMBERS MAY PRIVATELY ENJOY A PLEASANT SOCIAL INTERLUDE. (This is not included in the modest Registration Fee.)

SUNDAY, MAY 16, a.m. - MRG Business Session. We will deal with Issues of "strikes"; a Policy Debate; Arbitration; Incomes; Steering Committee elections; and, any other New Business.

SUNDAY, MAY 16, afternoon -

1:00 p.m. - DR. JOSE VENTERELLE,

"MEDICAL AID TO NICARAGUA - and
CURRENT MEDICAL SITUATION IN NICARAGUA"

3:00 p.m. - DR. SANDY MACPHERSON, Medical Officer of Health, Toronto

"FROM PUBLIC HEALTH TO COMMUNITY HEALTH"

ADVANCE INDICATION OF YOUR ATTENDANCE WOULD CERTAINLY ASSIST IN THE MORE EFFICIENT ORGANIZATION OF THE MEETING!

SEND A NOTE TO US AT P.O. Box 366, STATION "J", TORONTO M4J 4Y8, OR CALL US AT (416) 292-1381.

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A NEW "LETTER": POLITICALETTER makes its debut this month. Those of you who have seen the Weiler Report will know the magnitude of the task undertaken by Debby Copes in producing this succinct review.... Your comments are invited.

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HAMILTON CHAPTER MEETS MAY 6TH: Hamilton Chapter, MRG, will be holding a public meeting:

THURSDAY
MAY 6th
7:30 p.m.
ROOM 1A4, MUMC, HAMILTON

SPEAKER: DR. NICK KATES:
"A PROMISE KEPT. HEALTH CARE SERVICES IN CUBA"

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TORONTO CHAPTER: Members of Toronto Chapter were address in April by David Coburn, Patients' Rights Association, on the Health Care Equation. Toronto's next meeting will be June 10/82, and the discussion will centre on the Reorganization and Decentralization of the Toronto Department of Health, by Trevor Hancock. South Riverdale Community Health Centre. 8.00 p.m. The Economics Committee is being reactivated, and all members will look forward to the progress reports in this important area.

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MEDICAL AID TO NICARAGUA (MATN): A study tour of Nicaragua for Canadians interested in health care who would like to observe at first hand the building of a new and innovative health system is being organized by MATN. The goals are to provide Canadian health workers with opportunity to compare the development of a grass roots, community-oriented health care system in a third world country; to allow an in depth observation of areas of special interest - training of village health workers, occupational and environmental health, and the work of FETSAKUD (the Nicaraguan union of health workers); and, to improve the and expand the quality of solidarity work in Canada in support of the Nicaraguan people. Interested members should contact Debby Copes, 305 Rhodes Ave., Toronto M4L 3A4 (416) 461-2494, for copies of full information and application forms.

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FAMILY PHYSICIAN WANTED: a busy Community Health Centre in east-end Toronto invites applications from general practice and family physicians wishing to work in a community controlled setting. Day-time and evening hours. Rotating "on call". Four weeks holiday and two weeks educational leave per year.

Candidates must be willing to provide primary care in a setting where both preventive and curative medicine are emphasized. Willingness to teach patients to take responsibility for their own health, ability to work as part of a team and openness to innovative approaches to health care are essential.

Two full-time positions available June/July and September 1, 1982. Apply with curriculum vitae, covering letter and names of three references, to:
MS. BOGNA ANDERSON, ADMINISTRATOR, SOUTH RIVERDALE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE
126 PAPE AVE., TORONTO, ONT. M4M 2V8 - or CALL (416) 461-2493.

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MEMBERS WANTED: Perhaps you know someone who you think would make a valuable member of MRG. Why don't you recommend membership in MRG, or ask us to contact the prospect. New members are most welcomed to our burgeoning MRG.

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