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Dear Mrs Ferguson

SPECIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN NURSING STUDIES

I enclose a copy of the agenda for the meeting of the Special Advisory Committee in Nursing Studies on 16 October. Unfortunately we had prepared this agenda before I received your letter of 29 September, so that, as you will see, we have included the second-year course proposals as an addendum to the agenda. Professor Green had already asked that I should include an item relating to receiving a report on Nursing Studies at Bedford College with particular reference to the first intake of students in 1981, but including any other points you may wish to make. We were anticipating a verbal report (although you may wish to table a document), but I imagine it will now be appropriate to take Item 6 of the agenda and the addendum item together.

There are several points on which it would be helpful if I could have your comments, either before or at the meeting:

- (i) I have headed the documents 'ESc degree in Nursing Studies at Bedford College', but I note that the course was given in the UCCA Handbook as leading to a BA degree in Nursing Studies. I imagine this related to the early proposals which were still at a provisional stage when the October 1981 Handbook went to the printers. Could you, however, please confirm that it is now intended that the courses lead to a BSc degree;
- (ii) As you will see, I have included as Document D.3 the original scheme, as I think it will be helpful if members can consider the detailed second-year course proposals (Document D.1) in relation to the overall scheme. It would, however, be most helpful, if you could let me have an up-to-date version of Document 3 which we can table at the meeting;
- (iii) No course-unit value has been given for the course 'Nursing of the Adult Sick'. I imagine it is a ¹/₂ cu, but could you confirm this?
- (iv) I think the Committee will wish to know whether the term 'written work' as used under the heading 'Assessment' in the proposals for second-year courses means coursework and/or written examinitions.

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Yours sincerely 16 proc

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