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Dear Dr Burton,

I am writing following a discussion with Mrs Ferguson concerning the scheme between Bedford College and the MacDonald-Buchanan School of Nursing leading to B.Sc. (Hons.) Nursing Studies.

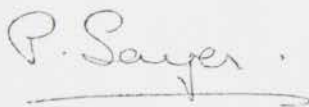
We understand that the future of Bedford College remains uncertain and that it may well move out of Central London in which case the link with the above training school would be dissolved. Attendant on this would be the discontinuation of this Council's approval although without prejudice to the rights and privileges of existing undergraduates. Mrs Ferguson indicated to us the commitment of the University to enable these students to pursue their studies to the end.

It would be helpful for us to know as soon as possible when a decision about the future of the College is known and in the meantime, to have a statement of intent about the course from the College in the light of the various options which appear to be open. The Education Committee would welcome this information from you or Professor Wedderburn to whom a similar letter is being sent and the assurance that, if the College is to move to Egham, there will be no entrants in 1983.

In the event of transfer of the College and the consequent withdrawal of approval of the existing scheme, the Council would be willing to consider proposals for a new course if a link with a satisfactory training school can be formed.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours sincerely,



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