



# Defence Fund Report

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**To:** CAUT Council

**From:** Tom Booth, President

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Herein is presented the Defence Fund (DF) report for the period of October 2016 to this Spring CAUT Council of early May. At the time of the Fall report to Council there were DF strike benefits approved for: 1) CBUFA (Cape Breton University Faculty Association); BFA (Brescia Faculty Association); MAFA (Mount Allison Faculty Association); WLUFA (Wilfrid Laurier University Faculty Association); and LUFA - CIPS Unit (Laurentian University Faculty Association, Clinical Instructors and Placement Supervisors). (These unions were approved for benefits in the period between preparation and submission of the DF report and the meeting of the Council, hence, their inclusion in this document.) All of the supported units have since settled in the interim without institution of strike action. In early January, 2017 the DF Trustees approved benefits for AUFA-CAS Unit (Algoma University Faculty Association) and ABPPUM (Association des bibliothécaires, professeures et professeurs de l'Université de Moncton). Both of these unions have since settled, not having to take strike action. Currently, there are no DF members in a position of approved strike benefits with impending possible strike.

I submit that it is a good thing that this report is short but the weeks and months ahead could well bring forth events which will call upon us to again stand, and walk, in solidarity somewhere on the DF landscape.