

Date: 11 June 1999

John Barratt  
Committee Secretariat  
Lambeth Town Hall

Dear Mr Barratt,

### Independent Investigation

I am grateful for sight of your "interim report" to the Chief Executive.

I note in particular your conclusion that, at this stage, you state that *"there is no possibility that I can speculate on the attribution of individual blame"* for the state of affairs which you perceive, and which causes you such concern.

I regret that, in view of the suspension of Pennie Pennie, and the concerns to which this has given rise, UNISON has no option but to advise our members that, for the time being, they should refrain from further involvement with your investigation.

We hope to be in a position to reverse this advice in the very near future, and would like to request a meeting with you as soon as possible after Monday 21 June 1999.

If you are willing to meet with us then, as we will both be at UNISON Conference next week, please ask Tim Stephens to contact us on

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Yours sincerely,

**DPA - John Rogers**

**BRANCH SECRETARY**

cc. Jackie Lewis

Lynette Savings, Senior Regional Officer