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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: COUNCIL OF ACADEMIC SOCIETIES
FROM: Ronald W. Estabrook, Ph.D., Chairman
SUBJECT: CAS Dues Increase

On November 6, 1973 the AAMC Assembly ratified the CAS proposed dues increase. The new dues structure is based upon the number of active members in each participating society and will become effective July 1, 1974. Bills will be mailed in May of 1974. The dues structure is listed below.

<u>Number of Members</u>	<u>Dues</u>
Less than 300	\$ 500
More than 300, less than 1,000	\$1,000
More than 1,000, less than 5,000	\$2,000
More than 5,000	\$3,000

For these calculations active members do not include student, intern, resident, senior, emeritus or other categories of inactive membership as defined by your society's bylaws. We estimate that the new dues structure will yield about \$65,000.

Some individuals have responded to our announcement of the dues increase with the expressions of concern about the costs of CAS activities. Since moving to Washington four years ago, the AAMC has become the primary voice for academic medicine on the national scene. Two years ago the CAS sponsored ad hoc Committee on Biomedical Research Policy recommended that the AAMC establish a biomedical research desk.

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In August, 1972 a Division of Biomedical Research and Faculty Development and a Committee on Biomedical Research and Research Training was established to advise the Executive Council on Biomedical Research Policy matters. More recently, the AAMC lawsuit for release of impounded FY 1973 NIH research grants, research training grants and fellowships accomplished the release of \$136 million in impounded funds.

Representing the interests of academic medicine in Washington is extremely expensive. For example, it is estimated that the legal fees incurred during the course of our NIH impoundment suit will exceed \$40,000. If one were to cost account staff time devoted to this effort, I am certain a cost estimate of \$75,000 would be conservative.

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