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## Catholic Commission for Employment Relations, NSW

Consultation – 25 November 1999

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1. **CCER as Head of Agency re Ombudsman Amendment (Child Protection and Community Services) Act**  
**SGS Agreement, 4.5.99, for 1 year**
  - Not huge delivery of notice.
  - Continuing to develop effective process for communication to person who submits notice – sometimes not sufficient detail given when providing notification.
  - CCER would welcome responses from schools re appropriateness of services etc.

Stephen Wilson – Child Protection matters  
Paul Davis – Assistant to Executive Director  
Michael McDonald – Executive Director
  
2. **Employment Screening & CCER as agency for screening**  
**SGS letter 15.9.99 supporting option for CCER to act as agency**
  - CCER has been given provisional approval and is being included in training sessions re employment screening and prohibited employment legislation.
  - CCER is preparing a training package on legislation which will become effective in March 2000 re employment screening (new employees) and prohibited employment (requiring statement of disclosure by current employees that they have not been convicted of a sex offence).
  - CCER will advertise a half day seminar on these issues on 10 February 2000.
  - Responsibility for compliance rests with employing authority.
  
3. **CCER Conference 2000**  
**This conference is scheduled for 10/11 August.**
  
4. **Sexuality Discrimination Bill**
  - The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has oversight of this proposed legislation.
  - Warwick Neville is advising the bishops and NCEC and is preparing a response to the proposed Bill.
  - Warwick Neville keeps in contact with the State CEC's, and the Australian Catholic Commission for Employment Relations (ACCER) and any state Employment Relations offices or personnel eg CCER NSW.