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FROM: Ellis

DATE: September 11, 1999

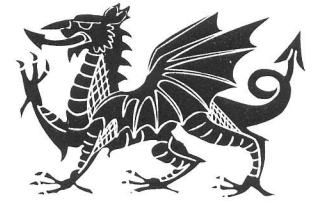
SUBJECT: FYI

The enclosed items are for your information.

I'll keep you posted on any further correspondence but no letters need to go to Arturo unless he writes directly to you.

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September 11, 1999

Dr. Arturo Roberts  
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Dear Arturo:

This letter is in response to your September 3 memorandum concerning use of the words "The North American Welsh Newspaper" in the 1999 Minneapolis National Gymanfa Ganu Program Booklet. There is a misunderstanding in that the program booklet was prepared and printed by the 1999 Minneapolis National venue committee and not by the WNGGA Headquarters.

Your letter has been forwarded to Mary Morris Mergenthal along with our request that she respond to your letter and to keep the WNGGA Headquarters informed.

Be assured that WNGGA values very much the support which it receives on a regular basis from Ninnau. We hope that the distribution of the Ninnau subscription slips with our June mailing from WNGGA Headquarters has increased the number persons interested in and supporting Ninnau.

Sincerely,

Ellis J. Jones  
Executive Director

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c: Mary Morris Mergenthal  
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Date: September 3, 1999

To: Dr. Ellis Jones,  
Executive Director, Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association  
Co-chairperson, 68th Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Fr: Arturo Roberts, Editor/Publisher  
NINNAU--The North American Welsh Newspaper

Subject: Infringement of NINNAU's Registered Trademark

Dear Ellis:

This is to confirm my discussion with you concerning the infringement of NINNAU's trademark, "The North American Welsh Newspaper." While I regret having to raise this issue with you at this time, it is absolutely necessary that I make clear that NINNAU objects to the infringement of its trademark. I must request that some effective and immediate action be taken by you, the WNGGA, and the Minneapolis Committee, which published the program, to correct the harm done to NINNAU.

The problem is that the official program has published an article which identifies Mary Morris Mergenthal as the owner, editor and publisher of "Y Drych, the North-American Welsh Newspaper."

As is obvious, this is NINNAU's registered trademark being used to identify another publication. While this puts me in a very awkward situation, I cannot remain silent while NINNAU's trademark is infringed, and devalued, in this way. I have made many attempts to resolve this problem with Mary Morris Mergenthal. I even have a letter signed by her in which she promises that she will not identify her paper as the North American Welsh Newspaper. She signed this agreement only after I had to hire an attorney to protect NINNAU's trademark.

However, even though I have a letter signed by her agreeing she will not use NINNAU's trademark, she has identified her paper as the "North-American Welsh Newspaper" in the official program published by you, the WNGGA, and the Minneapolis committee. She is, of course, the co-chairperson.

As you know, NINNAU has supported the WNGGA and each national, including this one. There is no reason for NINNAU to be injured in this way, especially in these circumstances.

Please, take immediate action to correct and cure the harm which has been done. I would appreciate a response as soon as is possible.

Sincerely,



Arturo Roberts