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Call for Help -- 5 DCs in Tours, France on Trial

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The chiropractic climate in France is not good. Frank Spencer, D.C., practicing in Angouleme, France characterizes the position of chiropractic in France as occupying a "tenuous position in murky waters."

In the January 4, 1991 issue of "DC" we printed a plea from five chiropractors practicing in Lyon, France being charged with "illegal practices of medicine."

In the September 26, 1990 issue, in a separate case, we printed a letter from Richard Arme, D.C., of Tours, France, one of five chiropractic defendants being taken to court, again for "illegal practices of medicine." This suit originated with the Syndicat National des Medecins Osteotherapeutes Francais (French Osteopaths) in December of 1989.

We've just received another plea from Dr. Arme; the suit in Tours is still under litigation.

The defendants in Tours:

- Richard Arme, D.C., 1980 graduate of the Anglo-European Chiropractic College; practicing in Tours since 1981.
- Serge Colin, D.C., 1975 graduate of Palmer; practicing in Tours since 1976. Drs. Arme and Colin are in practice together.
- Micheline Douilliez-Rougebec, 1984 graduate of National; practicing in Tours since 1985.
- Claude Lucon, D.C., 1976 graduate of Anglo-European Chiropractic College; practicing in Tours since 1976.
- Claude Portal, D.C., 1974 graduate of Palmer; practicing in Tours since 1974.

The defense lawyers feel that support from the international chiropractic community may well be crucial to the case's outcome.

If you wish to express your support for the DCs in Tours, please write to the tribunal judge at:

"Soutien aux chiropractors de Tours" (i.e. in support of the DCs in Tours) Tribunal de Grand Instance Palais de Justice Monsieur le juge 2eme Bureau Place Jean Jaures 37032 TOURS CEDEX - FRANCE

Dr. Arme also asks those who are kind enough to write letters to the judge in support of the defendants to please send him a copy:

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