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FROM Chief of Station, [redacted] *JM*

SUBJECT RYBAT MHCHAOS  
Black Power and Student Unrest *sp'd*

ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES

Action: See paragraph 3

Reference: [redacted]-14721, 30 September 1969

1. As you will note in paragraph 7 of the Reference, we asked [redacted] to give us compiled information that they have on various MHCHAOS targets. At the time they said that these contained their own internal source information and could not be passed. They promised, however, to furnish us the same material in a form that could be passed. The attached two [redacted]

[redacted] were recently passed to us in response to this request.

2. From a cursory review of the material it appears that some of it is already known to you. Some is overt information while other items reflect results of [redacted] investigations and thorough checking. We are also attaching [redacted] letter of transmittal which updates some of the information. You will note that they invite our comments.

3. We feel that this is somewhat of a break through with [redacted] We have not received this kind of complete report from them recently. We intend very soon to offer some comments to them and especially offer our appreciation. Your comments also would be appreciated.

4. We do not know for sure if LNERGO was also given these [redacted] We assume they were not. If we determine that they were passed to LNERGO we will let you know.

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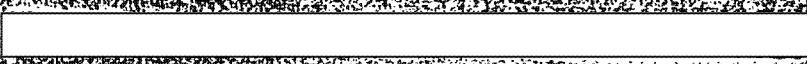
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of the SDU at SFU, consists of left-wing activists<sup>1</sup> in this category. Martin LONEY, who was one of the student leaders during the SFU incident, entered Canada as a British citizen in August 1966. Dr. Thomas Burton BOTTOMORE, a leading Marxist and author on Marxism as well as a British citizen, took up employment at SFU in 1965 as head of the Department of Political Science, Sociology and Anthropology (PSA). BOTTOMORE, as head of the PSA, was responsible for the hiring of Kathleen ABERLE, a British citizen, and of Thomas Harold BROSE, John William Carl LEGGETT, Nathan POPKIN and Martin NICOLAUS, all U.S. citizens.

Although the largest concentration of foreign radicals at SFU was in the PSA, other activists did take positions in other departments.<sup>1</sup> These included Sidney COONTZ, Michael Allan LEBOWITZ, Paul Edward IVORY, and Maurice HALPERIN, all U.S. citizens, and Laughlin Bernard CURRIE, a citizen of Colombia.

Mordecai BRIEMBERG, who took over as head of the PSA Department after BOTTOMORE tendered his resignation in 1967, has expressed a desire to remain as Department head in order to keep his hand in on the hiring. In this regard, Gerald SPERLING is, through BRIEMBERG, making efforts to get Malcolm SYLVERS, an American Marxist university professor who apparently worked for the Communist underground in Italy during the early 1960's, into SFU.

Professor Donald E. EPSTEIN of the Political Science Department at the University of Waterloo, an American citizen described as a draft dodger and an SDS member prior to his arrival in Canada in 1967, as previously indicated, has been active in organizing and directing students in tactics and methods by which they could take physical possession of university buildings. EPSTEIN, who has been active in student power activities at Waterloo, has apparently been refused tenure at that University and there are indications that activist students intend to challenge the administration in this regard.

Professor Norman STRAX,<sup>2</sup> an American who was employed as an Assistant Professor of Physics at the University of New Brunswick, precipitated the crisis at that University. STRAX was instrumental in the formation and activities of the SDS branch at that point.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See APPENDIX 16 for further details on specific foreigners living in Canada.

<sup>2</sup> See APPENDIX 16.

<sup>3</sup> The SDS at UNB is also known as the Canadian Struggle for a Democratic Society (CSDS).

In early 1967, BROSE received a Canada Council grant for research on Mexican politics and, in the fall of 1967, visited Cuba. BROSE, one of the first exponents of academic freedom and tenure of appointments at SFU, was a key spokesman during the CAUT censure of the SFU administration issue. He supported the radical group's attempts to push faculty demands on academic and administration matters to the extreme.

Leroy Roger BUTCHER - student, SGWU

BUTCHER, a West Indian and a member of the SGWU Caribbean Students Society, attended the Black University Conference (BUC) at Howard University, Washington, on 13 to 17 November 1968 where he stated that only by working together would Black people achieve their objective - total liberation, black nationality and black identity. BUTCHER was elected Chairman of the International Black Student Union organized at the BUC and plans were made for the Union to operate in every university in the Western Hemisphere. It was following BUTCHER's return to Montreal that the Black Students Association was organized. BUTCHER was one of the key leaders during the occupation of the Computer Centre at SGWU and was one of those arrested during the riot.

Sidney COONTZ - Associate Professor, SFU

COONTZ, a U.S.A. citizen who was granted landed immigrant status in Canada in 1966, became an Associate Professor of Mathematics at SFU in January 1968. COONTZ has a history of Communist involvement which, although sporadic, dates back to the 1930's.

Laughlin Bernard CURRIE - Professor, SFU

CURRIE, formerly an American citizen, was implicated as a Communist fellow traveller in the mid-1940 espionage trials in the United States and subsequently went to Colombia where he took out citizenship. Following this, in May 1967, he came to Canada and has since obtained landed immigrant status. CURRIE was responsible for interviewing and recommending Maurice HALPERIN, described below, for a position at SFU and purposefully played down HALPERIN's Marxist leanings, claiming that HALPERIN had been a victim of circumstances.

Kennedy Jerome FREDERICK - student, SGWU

FREDERICK, a West Indian, arrived in Canada in August 1967 to attend university at SGWU. FREDERICK is a member of the militant Negro movement at the University and advocates violence. He is considered by some parties to be extremely dangerous and capable of drastic actions. He was active in organizing the occupation of the Computer Center at SGWU and was one of those arrested during the riot.

Maurice HALPERIN - Professor, SFU

HALPERIN was born on 3 March 1906 at Boston, Massachusetts and entered Canada in the spring of 1968. In late 1953 he left the United States for Mexico in order to avoid testifying before a United States Senate internal sub-committee. In 1958, when the Mexican Government began deporting United States Communists, HALPERIN went to the Soviet Union, and became a visiting professor at the U.S.S.R. Academy of Sciences. He went to Cuba in October 1962 as a professor of Economy at the University of Havana, where he remained employed until coming to Canada. He is currently employed with the Faculty of Education, Behavioural Science Foundation, at Simon Fraser University. As noted above, Laughlin Bernard CURRIE lobbied very hard to have HALPERIN accepted by Simon Fraser University. CURRIE was aware of HALPERIN's background and "watered it down" to get him the appointment.

Of particular interest in this case is the fact that CURRIE and HALPERIN were associated with the same espionage group in the United States. His application for landed status was the subject of an objection by the RCMP and, as yet, no final decision has been made by the Minister of Immigration.

Alfred Alan HERZOG - graduate student, McGill University

HERZOG, a U.S.A. citizen, travelled to several Canadian university campuses with Robert CRUISE, a leader of the Internationalists (pro-Chinese Communist), in their promotion of the Canadian Student Movement. He is a member of the Intellectual and Patriotic Workers of Quebec (les Intellectuels et Ouvriers Patriotes du Quebec - IOPQ), was involved in the occupation of SGWU in February 1969 and is a close associate of the leader of the Internationalists H.S. BAINS (see APPENDIX 14).

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