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SUBJECT: LCHARVEST/KUCAGE Traces on David DUBOIS and W. E. B. DUBOIS				AS. JACT
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Reference: NECA 10882, dated 23 May 1961

1. David DUBOIS is no doubt identical with David Graham McCANNIS, (201-271141) born 9 March 1925 in Seattle, Washington to Shadrach and Shirley Graham McCANNIS. McCANNIS is known to have used the names David GRAHAM, David G. McCanns DUBOIS and David DUBOIS. He is described as 5 feet 9 inches tall, slender build, with a scar over his right eye and a pock marked face. McCANNIS married Clarise Johnson on 1 May 1949 and was divorced in September 1952.

2. Records on file indicate that McCANNIS has associated through the years with communist dominated or inspired organizations such as the Young Progressives of America, the American Labor Party and the World Federation of Democratic Youths. In 1950 he attended the World Student Congress at Prague, a meeting in China of the World Federation of Democratic Youth and the Soviet Anniversary Celebration in Moscow. At the time of McCANNIS' visit to Moscow, pro-communist and anti-USA statements were attributed to McCANNIS over Radio Moscow and in the "Peoples China." In 1952/53 he was reported to have been a press operator for the communist organ "Daily Worker."

3. In July 1950, McCANNIS was issued a passport for six months travel in France, England and Switzerland for the purpose of social service study. In 1952, his passport was picked up by ODACID and was found to contain visas to France, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, Austria and China.

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4. In 1959 McCANNIS applied for and received a second passport for three months tourist travel to England and France. McCANNIS failed to answer questions in his application as to whether he was then or had ever been a member of the Communist Party. In October 1959 ODENVY learned that McCANNIS was enrolled in Peking University and had been there since September 1959. ODENVY further learned that McCANNIS planned to study in Peking for three years and then remain in China to work.

5. During an interview on 12 September 1957 by ODENVY, McCANNIS was asked if he had ever been a member of the CP to which he replied "It is none of your business." In answer to a further question as to whether he considered the CP to be a subversive organization, McCANNIS replied "I consider the CP to be the same as any other political party and it is none of your business if I have ever belonged to it." McCANNIS refused to answer any further questions and terminated the interview.

6. During an interview on 10 November 1960 with McCANNIS' mother, Mrs. W. E. B. DUBOIS, the latter stated that McCANNIS was no longer residing in Peking but was unemployed and touring France.

7. The statement in paragraph 1 of reference that his wife's first name is Shirley is possibly incorrect, inasmuch as all records on hand indicate that the name of McCANNIS' mother was Shirley Graham McCANNIS, who married a Dr. W. E. B. DUBOIS in February 1958. If McCANNIS has married someone by the name of Shirley it is not reflected by any documents on hand at this time.

8. Dr. W. E. B. DUBOIS, step-father of McCANNIS, is well known to ODENVY and his communist affiliations are well substantiated by numerous documents. Mrs. Shirley Graham McCANNIS DUBOIS also has a long record of association with communist organizations and has been identified as a communist in a number of documents.

9. For your information, ODENVY has requested that we report on a continuing basis any information we may obtain concerning McCANNIS' activities while abroad. Please pouch Headquarters any further information you may have acquired on McCANNIS for transmission to ODENVY.

RS
SCOTT K. BUSHDEAN

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