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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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James H. Lesar, Esq. 910 Sixteenth Street, N.W. Suite 600 Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Lesar:

This is in response to the administrative appeal of your client, Harold Weisberg, from denial of access to records concerning him by the Baltimore field division.

We have agreed with the Office of Privacy and Information Appeals, U. S. Department of Justice, to make the additional release of information contained in the attached records.

Sincerely yours,

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Allen H. McCreight, Chief Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts Branch Records Management Division

Enclosure



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LAIMS DETRICK-LIKE DITORIAL ON HOOD

o the Editor, Sir:

There is an ostrich-like quality your reporting and editorial of the firing of Dr. Thomas Elise by lood College that results in the nost serious reflections cople I am confident you did not itend.

Nowhere in your otherwise line eporting by Phil Niklaus or in our lengthy, editorial is there ny reference to the fact that Dr. tose was subjected to pressure y the FBI or its director when, s a professor of American Iniversity, his class was stentatiously quit by 11 FBI Yet you knew this, gents. naving reported it.

As a result, there will always inger the suspicion that Mr. loover demanded Dr. Rose's ing, or that the college idministration spontaneously did what it conceived he would

like. Yet from what is available. there really seems to be no reason other than this incident behind the firing, various lies having been told to explain it failing to. Can it be the alleged "professional immaturity" that

led so large a publisher as Random House to publish Dr. Rose, or American University to engage him? If it is 'unprofessional" for Dr. Rose to engage have informed his students that he had been fired, can you honestly say of the blatant lie by the college president, that the

reasons were economic, that it was no more than "less than

What emerges from all of this is a backwardness that bodes ill for the college, its students and the entire community. Inherent is an antipathy to fresh air, an aversion to any ideas more advanced than the horse and buggy eras, a reluctance to bring students into contact with the realities of the world in which they live, whether or not those realities are pleasant and

congenial. Aside from the right of the students to get something more than the best the 18th century can

views of management, it is authority, precisely this kind of attitude and The qu thinking that discourages freedom here is so obvious - for imaginative and forward-looking the students as for the teachers minds, the kind required today - that it requires no comment. by industry. The kind of people who can make a success of new Frederick variant of the industry in the area just will not "cultural revolution" we so want to live in a community with condemn elsewhere. so out-dated a perspective. This I know from my own contacts with society, not minds and ideas. agencies whose function it is to encourage new industries.

wile?

I do not believe you intended may be your editorial expression to be what it really is, an endorsement authoritarianism. 10 preachment for it as a way of life. and a plea that students. especially girls, never question the judgments of their elders or those who control their lives.

these girls? Respectable liars, reached 50 miles out to select an character assassins, cloaked in incompetent. an Emperor's Clothes piety. In every aspect, this shameful people with, no doubt, the best affair is violative of every decent people with, no doubt, the best American concept. Hood's intentions and what they regard American concept. Hood's as honorable purposes but administration can redeem its engaging in public conduct that integrity by doing what it owes cannot be condoned. cannot be condoned.

It is a credit to the girls that community and their immediate they have the spunk to protest, victim, offering Dr. Rose a public They do us all a service.

offer by way of education, there is the right of the parents who midds, not contract vision and pay a premium for a Hood understanding. It is where emerging young adults make emerging young adults make emerging young adults make the view of the daughters who are infe, learn what it is, and should prepared for and prepared to learn what they can accept and rear children who can cope with modern life and its new problems. (Certainly this cannot be an in the community, it is foolhardy subjecting the growing minds to to hope that corporations will all available ideas. It cannot be find in this pathetic relic of an accomplished by the suppression outgrown past encouragement of thoughts not personally such ideas are consistent with the time be in administrative views of management, it is authority. College is the place to expend

The question of academic

What we have is a demeaning

Let us sterilize a polluted

I have no notion of Dr. Rose's beliefs. They are irrelevant. The As for the girls, are they not sole issue, once the college hires entitled to the "inalienable", him is whether he is a competent rights of all, including that of free reacher. If it can be shown that speech? Are they to remain mute he is incompetent, he deserves at what they regard as wrong? Does this make them better students, better humans? Or wives? What man in today's carned his job and we all need world works a three-monkey's his progressionally if he holds. world wants a three-monkey's him, particularly if he holds minority views, whatever they

It stretches credulity to imagine that Hood was not Ruse's satisfied about Dr. qualifications protessional before they hired him. And it is inconceivable that so large an American institution as University, which can draw upon Yet who is making the all area colleges, almost all decisions, controlling the lives of larger and closer than Hood,

In every aspect, this shameful

apology and contract.

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Memorandum

TO

SAC, BALTIMORE (157-4616) P

DATE: 1/25/71

FROM :

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SUBJECT:

MINUTEMEN - BALTIMORE DIVISION RM - MM

Mr. HAROLD WEISBERG, Route 8, Frederick, Md., author of contraversial books regarding the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEL! entitled "White-wash I" and "White-wash II" advised on January 5, 1970 that he has a source who is either currently or was formerly a network director for the Minutemen Organization and who furnishes him with Minutemen literature on a continuing basis. He advised that he has never met and has never had a conversation with this source, but he does correspond with him. He said that this source became familiar with him, WEISBERG, as an auditor through some radio broadcasts which Mr. WEISBERG has made.

This source, whom he declined to identify, advised him that there has recently been, since mid November, 1970, an influx of Canadian Minutemen to the West Coast and an exchange of Minutemen money on the West Coast. He claims that this source is currently being "hasseled" by the FBI but that any material made available to him by this source is available for persual by the FBI.

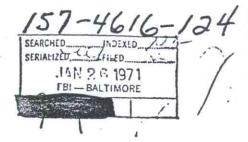
He furnished the following Minutemen material which he wishes to have returned to him after it's use by the FBI:

A special notice to former network Director from RALPH C. DE PUGH at National Headquarters, Norborne, Missouri;

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

A special Directive regarding assignment of PSY - WAR project number 51 directed to number 103-081 from underground HQ;

Minutemen bulletins for mid-summer (July, 1969) February, October, 1967;

Notice to all members from 001200, Director of Propaganda;

"On Target" December, 1966 "On Target" May 1, 1966;

Eight page informative communication entitled "The Speakers"

Twelve copies of special bulletins from Director of Security, National Coordinator, Director of Recruiting and Training;

Two copies of network members bulletin;

General network bulletin to members of network number 1821;

Five letters from ROBERT B. DE FUGH to "Dear Fellow Patriot";

General bulletin to Directors from Executive Council (2 copies);

December, 1968 bulletin to network Directors;

Patriotic Party news letter for December 27, 1967 and October 17, 1967;

Various special reports, phamphlets, handouts, underground news bulleting and letters from ROBERT B. DE PUGH's wife RAMONA V. DE PUGH, members report forms and notices;

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Bound Minutemen Instructions, text questions, training documents, bulletins, copies of "On Target" and other bulletins containing detailed instructions on the manufacture of booby traps and other explosive devices and silencers and weapons.

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recontacted. She exhibited unfriendly attitude and said she did not know when her husband would call.

recontacted without results.

recontacted in afternoon. Furnished no information about her husband's whereabouts. Agent advised he would return that evening.

recontacted in evening without results.

recontacted in evening without results.

recontacted. Advised her husband did not come home

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recontacted. Was very unconcerative and slammed door shut while talking to agent.

In view of the above it appears that is obviously evading an interview and is not likely to be cooperative if contacted. Accordingly, no further efforts will be directed towards an interview with him.

Paltimore indices reflect that on 9/2/5/ an an nymbus source furnished photographic copies of lists of names which appear to represent subscribers to some publication. The following appeared on these lists:

Harold Weisberg Hyattstown, Maryland"

Other information furnished by the source indicated a possibility that this was a subscription list for the Lational Guardian.

During the course of the above inquiries it appeared that subject is not liked in the community where he resides; however, no specific information bearing adversely on his loyalty was developed.

In view of the fact that there is not sufficient information to merit further investigation under current criteria for security investigations, it is recommended that this case be closed administratively.