

Angela Davis Backed

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LOS ANGELES—The University of California used shoddy evidence and violated the academic freedom of Angela Davis when it fired her last year from her UCLA teaching post, says the American Association of University Professors.

An investigating team from the national organization of college instructors, in a 23,000-word report, says the dismissal of Miss Davis, a black militant and admitted Communist, mars the university's stature.

"Substantial efforts must be made to re-establish at the University of California the unquestioned sense of academic freedom that is essential to a great university," the report said.

William French Smith, chairman of the university's board of regents which voted 15-6 to fire Miss Davis in June 1970, said the AAUP was biased.