

Some C.I.A. Recruiting Is Taken Off the Campus

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 14—The Central Intelligence Agency said today it had transferred scheduled campus recruiting conferences from the grounds of about six colleges and universities to nearby off-campus locations to avoid the "embarrassment" of anti-C.I.A. student demonstrations.

A C.I.A. spokesman denied, however, that there was a "pattern of disruption" of most on-campus recruiting activities by the agency, which sends representatives to about 100 colleges and universities each year.

The agency confirmed an official announcement today by Georgetown University, a Jesuit institution in Washington, that C.I.A. recruiters who had been scheduled to visit that campus this week were receiving applicants instead at a permanent C.I.A. personnel office in a nearby Rosslyn, Va.

Rosslyn is an area of suburban office buildings and shops close to downtown Washington and about five miles from the C.I.A.'s headquarters building at Langley, Va. Students from other Washington-area campuses will also be interviewed there rather than at college placement offices "because we have our facilities so close at hand here," an agency official said.

Other Transfers Noted

C.I.A. recruiters also transferred scheduled campus interviews today at Syracuse University and the University of Rochester, an agency spokesman said, because of threatened student demonstrations. Applicants were met in offices in Federal buildings in the two New York cities.

The Georgetown University public information office said in a statement that C.I.A. interviews there had been "canceled" because university officials "anticipated picketing of C.I.A. recruiters" that might have required intervention by the city police.

The Rev. Thomas R. Fitzgerald, the university's academic vice president, said in a statement that "Georgetown has a responsibility to protect job opportunities for all its students." He said the student body's right to demonstrate peacefully—detailed for the first time this year in a campus handbook—"does not mean that one group has a right to bar fellow students from interviews with prospective employers."

The university press office said the C.I.A. interviews had been moved off the campus to avoid a confrontation that might have required the univer-

sity to employ police assistance to protect the rights of students scheduled to be interviewed.

A C.I.A. spokesman said the off-campus meetings were "linked to the recent disruption of campus recruiting activities by the Government at a few places where recruiting has caused some embarrassment, particularly among university officials."

The spokesman said that as far as agency headquarters here was aware, the only other recruiting conferences transferred "in recent weeks" were in the

Boston area and at the University of California, Berkeley. The official stressed that C.I.A. representatives were still scheduled to visit 80 college and university campuses.

"Almost all of them will be on-campus interviews," the spokesman said. "If there is any pattern to this, it is that we have had demonstrations at some campuses in the Northeast and on the West Coast. Every visit we have scheduled in the Deep South is an on-campus visit because we have no demonstrations there."