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18 December 1964

SUBJECT: Erik HEINE

1. The undersigned was advised by Chief, SR/O/AC that the HEINE-RAUS matter had been discussed by him with Chief, SR/ODG and with Chief, SR with the result that Chief, SR has approved that SR Division request the Office of General Counsel's assistance in aiding RAUS in obtaining an attorney, in paying the costs involved, and in filing an answer to the summons.

2. The undersigned phoned RAUS at the request of Chief, SR/O/AC on 18 December 1964, after RAUS had previously phoned in, to apprise him of the fact that the Agency intended to stand back of RAUS in obtaining an attorney and in filing an answer. RAUS was given an option to meet with Agency officers if he so wished (in order to keep him from running elsewhere out of channels). However, while RAUS indicated that he would be happy to meet with us, he indicated that there was no reason for this from his end. He expressed his gratitude at these developments and stated would await further developments from our end.

3. RAUS further reported the following:

a. In discussions with H. LEESMENT, president of the EMC in the USA, LEESMENT indicated that he had learned (from one KUUNAPAA) that on 31 October HEINE was expected in at Baltimore where he would stay through 3 November in order to be present "at the court". LEESMENT was not acquainted with other details.

b. Since early spring 1964 the following line has been peddled by Erik HEINE and his supporters, both in Canada and in the USA "RAUS is a stupid young dupe of the CIA who is purposely feeding the Moscow line, of the Communist penetrated CIA, against a true Estonian patriot, E. HEINE". Hence, HEINE is trying to attack ~~both~~ RAUS and the CIA of being Communist penetrated and of serving Communist ends.

4. RAUS agreed to prepare a summary report on the developments of the HEINE case.

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