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## INTELLIGENCE CHARTER HEARINGS:

# Harvard head slams CIA

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WASHINGTON — In testimony before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities yesterday, Harvard University President Derek Bok asked Congress to put a stop to Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) "operational activities" on college campuses which include "covert recruiting."

Bok's request came as a result of CIA refusal to abide by those provisions in the Harvard guidelines concerning university relationships with intelligence agencies.

BOK OFFERED the Select Committee several letters from CIA Director Stansfield Turner which state that the Agency cannot abide by Harvard's restrictions on CIA covert recruiting and other operational activities at the prestigious university.

"The relationship between U.S. foreign intelligence agencies and universities must be structured in ways that protect the integrity of universities and the academic profession and safeguard the freedom and objectivity of scholarship," said Bok.

The Select Committee solicited Bok's testimony as part of its hearings dealing with the Senate's proposed intelligence charter (S. 2525) which seeks, for the first time since the National Security Act of 1947, to define and control the activities of U.S. intelligence agencies. This was the time the Select Committee has invited academics to testify on CIA campus activities.

HARVARD AND several other universities adopted guidelines after recent revelations that the CIA has used professors to recruit and gather information about students attending American universities. It has been revealed that this often entails a summary of the

student's political views, financial situation and social habits. Records were typically kept without the student's knowledge or consent.

These CIA files were often retained by the agency whether or not the student was approached with a job offer. Foreign students are known to be frequent subjects of CIA covert recruiting. And the information on the student has often been used to pressure the individual into spying for the CIA on his countrymen both in the U.S. and at home.

A SET OF guidelines for relations between the University of Michigan and U.S. intelligence agencies will be proposed at the September faculty Senate Assembly meeting.

Bok supported the prohibition of such covert recruitment in the Harvard guidelines by citing the need for "trust and candor to promote the free and open exchange of ideas and information essential to inquiry and learning."

The prohibition on "participation and

operational activities of intelligence agencies" refers to the publicized policy by the CIA of encouraging professors doing research abroad to provide the CIA with sensitive information. In addition, some professors have had contracts, unknown to their colleges or sometimes to the administration, with the CIA in which they used their academic cover to obtain particular information desired by the intelligence agency.

THE HARVARD president was highly critical of the CIA's attitude that it did not have to abide by Harvard's rules. He argued that "the CIA is hardly the appropriate arbiter to weigh (national security) needs against the legitimate concerns of academic freedom."

Also giving testimony was Morton Baratz, former General Secretary of the American Association of University Professors and now vice chancellor for academic affairs at the University of Maryland.

Baratz stressed the importance of guidelines in giving each university the chance to set its own rules. However, he criticized the proposed charter for not banning covert recruitment and also recommended that "intelligence agencies be prohibited from using as sources of operational assistance in foreign countries, all academics travelling abroad."

He supported this complete ban by arguing the need to remove any reason for suspicion among foreign governments that an American professor is motivated by reason other than his purely professional interest.

THE THIRD witness, Richard Abrams, testifying in his capacity as chairman of the Statewide Committee on Academic Freedom for the University of California, supported the other witnesses advocating an end to covert relationships.

But, Abrams, whose committee has recently completed a study of relations between California and U.S. intelligence agencies, suggested the CIA cultivate academic relationships on a "freely open basis."