

CIA protest

An Open letter to President Ryan and the I.U. Administration:

We, concerned I.U. students, will be at Bryan Hall at 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 10, to talk with President Ryan or a representative of the I.U. Administration. We wish to discuss the immediate discontinuation and full public disclosure of all administrative complicity with the Central Intelligence Agency.

Despite the fact that only a small fraction of C.I.A. atrocities has been revealed to the public, the C.I.A. has been proved to be a criminal organization. The C.I.A. admits to plotting the murder of at least four foreign political figures who were later killed (Patrice Lumumba of the Congo, General Scheider of Chile, Trujillo of Santo Domingo, Diem of South Vietnam), as well as to making numerous attempts on the life of Fidel Castro. The C.I.A. overthrew nationalist governments in Guatemala and Iran in the early 1950s. They engineered the bloody 1973 coup in Chile, which replaced the democratically elected government with the present repressive military regime which has tortured and killed thousands. The C.I.A. killed thousands of Vietnamese in its "Operation Phoenix." Most recently, the C.I.A. has supplied arms and personnel to fuel the civil war in Angola.

Recent disclosures have shown that over the past two decades the C.I.A. has engaged in illegal disruption and surveillance of domestic political groups in the United States. "Operation Chaos" included spy action against students and faculty throughout the country who opposed the war in Indochina. According to George Taliaferro, special assistant to President Ryan, in an interview with *Fun City* newspaper, there is at least one C.I.A. operative in Bloomington. If you have information on this person's identity, it should be publicly revealed. You have no right to cover up illegal C.I.A. activity on campus.

C.I.A. activities are not in the interests of students or of Americans in general. Nevertheless, Mr. Taliaferro and Horacio Lewis, Dean of Latino Affairs, represented the I.U. Administration at a conference in Washington, D.C., October 23-24, 1975, which discussed C.I.A. recruitment of Black and other minority students. Such recruitment is designed to improve the C.I.A.'s justifiably horrible image and undoubtedly to provide personnel for the infiltration of Black and Latino organizations in this country. When asked about this act of complicity in the criminal operations of the C.I.A., Paul Klinge, assistant to President Ryan, told *Fun City* newspaper that "it was a very good cause." Does Klinge consider Operation Chaos a good cause? What about the murder of Patrice Lumumba and of countless thousands of others -- is this a good cause?

The C.I.A. will be interviewing at Maxwell Hall March 10-12. This is part of a new drive by the C.I.A. to recruit on campus to facilitate their criminal acts. You are granting them the use of facilities to do this. We do not believe that this is in our interests as I.U. students. We demand that your complicity with the C.I.A. end. We demand that you make public all University files concerning C.I.A. operations. We will be at Bryan Hall Wednesday at 3 p.m. to discuss these demands.

Campus Committee to End
Complicity with the C.I.A.

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