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Re: British Columbia Civil Liberties Association - Communist Activities Within - British Columbia

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2. A news clipping from the Vancouver Province was forwarded to you under caption Communist Activities Within Municipal Elections - B.C.,

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8. Attached hereto in single copy are Vancouver Sun clippings dated 21-10*63; 4-11-63 (2) and 5-11-63; pertaining to the informal meeting of 2-11-63; sponsored by the B.C. Civil Liberties Association Birmingham Committee and/James BALDWIN.

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7. It is pointed out that the organization which existed on the campus of U.B.C. was known as the Civil Liberties Union while the present organization is known as the Civil Liberties Association.

- 8. In view of the above we are of the opinion that there are no connections between the C.L.A. formed in 1962 and the C.L.U. which was disbanded some years ago due to lack of interest. Also there would appear to be no connection between the C.L.A. and the organization which operated under the title Canadian League for Peace and Democracy
- 9. On perusal of issues of the Civil Liberties Newsletter, it is apparent that the original intention of this group was to investigate the possibility of forming an improved method of supplying legal aid to persons who are not in a financial position to procure Counsel when appearing in Court and also to aid the Doukhobors.

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Re: Civil Liberties Union Communist Activities Within Vancouver, B.C.

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Civil Liberties Union - Communist Activities Within -Vancouver, B.C.

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An organization was formed under the name of Civil Liberties Association, during the summer of 1962, in support of the Sons of Freedom Doukhobers, who had been charged with conspiring to intimidate the Government by acts of violence. They have since expanded their interests to include free legal aid for under-privileged persons, and to assist American Hegrees in their current campaign for equal rights.

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2. It is understood this organization is now incorporated in the Societies Act, under the name "Civil Liberties Association".

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(M.W. Jones) Supt. Officer i/c "E" Division S.I.B.

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FORWARDED. This is part of our investigation relating to your memorandum dated 26-7-63.

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2. We would also appreciate being supplied with any information you may have available that would also appreciate between this determine if there are any connections between this organization and the B.C. Civil Liberties Association which was formed in 1962 by a group of individuals at the University of B.C.

A review of records at this Headquarters indicates that an organization was functioning under the name of Civil Liberties Union 1938 to approximately 1954.

We would therefore, appreciate your . investigator's comments regarding the possibility that this organization, which apparently became in-active in 1954, was the forerunner of the one currently being reported on under the above caption.

ly. Any information your investigator is able to supply in this regard will be of great assistance in determining the significance of the present organizations and their motives.

(D.E. McLaren), Insp., for D.S.I.

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INVESTIGATOR'S COMMENTS:

Attached hereto is single copy of "This Week at U.B.C.", Volume # 4, No. 42, which advertises the inaugural meeting of the B.C. Civil Liberties Associational and the sunday, 9-12-62, in International House on U.B.C. Campus. Also attached in single copy is a pamphlet setting out the programme of the aforementioned organizational meeting; entitled "Conference on the State of Civil Liberties in B.C." In addition, there is attached in duplicate copies, clippings from the "Vancouver Province" dated 10-12-62, outlining the theme of an address theme of an address

to the above mentioned founding meeting. Also a single copy of a "Vancouver Sun" clipping dated 10-12-62, outlining the activities of the Civil Liberties Association's initial meeting, the origin of the Association,

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2. You will note in the attached programme that the aims of this group are:
Quote:

"Not only to defend those liberities we now enjoy but to press for human rights in those areas which have been hitherto neglected (e.g., provision of legal aid, Sons of Freedom, censorship, and employment of racial minorities)."

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