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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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ROBESON employed as Chairman of the Council on African Affairs, Chairman of the Editorial Board of "Freedom", and self-employed as a concert singer. Resides at 22 East 89th St., NYC in care of HAROLD MC GEE. Attended Annual Rally of National Council of American - Soviet Friendship, 11/12/53; 3rd Annual Convention of the National Negro Labor Council in Chicago, 12/4, 5, 6/53; Progressive Party National Committee meeting, 1/16/54; National Convention "Jamboree" of Labor Youth League, 2/19/54; ALP meeting, 2/24/54; 10th Anniversary Dinner of Jefferson School of Social Science, 3/5/54 and the May Day demonstration, 5/1/54. Cultural salute to ROBESON held on 5/26/54.

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[redacted] advised that the subject maintains his residence at 22 East 89th Street, New York City, in care of HAROLD MC GEE and continues to receive his mail at this address.

EMPLOYMENT

[redacted] advised PAUL ROBESON is Chairman of the Editorial Board of "Freedom" and also Chairman of the Council on African Affairs. Both of these organizations are located at 139 West 125th Street, New York City.

[redacted] advised that "Freedom" is a monthly publication of Freedom Associates, 139 West 125th Street, New York City. According to [redacted] members of the Editorial Staff and Editorial Board are Communist, active in racial matters. PAUL ROBESON, LOUIS E. BURNHAM and GEORGE B. MURPHY, JR. were active in organizing the publication. b7D

The Council on African Affairs has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

[redacted] advised that a PAUL ROBESON concert was held at the University of Chicago, Mandel Hall, on May 8, 1954. According to [redacted] this was a conservative concert with no speeches.

[redacted] advised a PAUL ROBESON concert was held at the Galilee Baptist Church, 148 Clinton Avenue, Newark, New Jersey on January 31, 1954.

ACTIVITIES

[redacted] advised PAUL ROBESON ^{was} scheduled to open the mass rally of the Convention of a National Negro Labor Council to be held in Chicago, Illinois on December 4, 5 and 6, 1953.

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The National Negro Labor Council has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

[redacted] and [redacted] advised ROBESON attended the Annual Rally of the National Council of American - Soviet Friendship on November 12, 1953 at the Hotel Capitol's Carnival room, New York City in honor of the 20th anniversary of the founding of diplomatic relations between the United States and the USSR, and the 36th anniversary of the founding of a Soviet State.

According to [redacted] ROBESON stated, "It is a privilege to be here. An attack on the USSR is really an attack on the people. We must follow in the tradition of JEFFERSON and DOUGLAS. The struggle becomes fiercer. There is no retreat until the Smith Act is repealed or until BOB THOMPSON walks out of jail. Liberals must become allies of peace or perish. We who are living in this great time must preserve freedom and the dignity of man."

The National Council of American - Soviet Friendship has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

ROBERT THOMPSON has been convicted for violation of the Smith Act, 1940 and is presently serving time. THOMPSON convicted in October, 1949, US District Court, Southern District of

[redacted] advised a "Peoples Conference to Fight the MC CARRAN Law Prosecutions and MC CARTHYISM" was held at the Yugoslav - American Home, New York City on October 24, 1953 under sponsorship of the Civil Rights Congress.

According to [redacted] a message from PAUL ROBESON was read to the Conference which called upon the Progressives to mobilize the people in the fight against the MC CARRAN Law and MC CARTHYISM which are leading this nation and the whole world to war. The message stated that the Negro people will fight against reaction and for civil liberties. ROBESON advocated, "We must remove the DULLES and the MC CARTHYS from the path and march on to freedom and peace."

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The Civil Rights Congress has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

~~NY~~ advised ROBESON was presented with the International STALIN Peace Prize on September 23, 1953 at the Hotel Theresa, 125th Street and 7th Avenue, New York City, which consisted of an award and a promise of \$25,000.

~~NY~~ and ~~NY~~ advised ROBESON stated he finally received the \$25,000 he had coming from Russia.

~~NY~~ advised ROBESON attended the 3rd Annual Convention of National Negro Labor Council, held at the Pershing Hotel, Chicago, Illinois on December 4, 5 and 6, 1953.

The "Daily Worker" issue of December 24, 1953, page 5, column 3, reflects an article entitled, "On the Way", states, "The enemies of culture and of peace have killed PAUL ROBESON a hundred times. Not only have they sought to kill his art and still his voice, they once attempted to murder him physically. That was at Peekskill, where officially-sanctioned storm troopers carried through an orgy of violence against men, women and children concert-goers in the late summer of 1949. But ROBESON lives and lives, and sings and sings." b7D

The "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist daily newspaper.

~~NY~~ advised that the Peekskill disorders of August 27, 1949 and September 9, 1949 in the vicinity of Peekskill, New York were the outgrowth of concerts given by singer PAUL ROBESON. The informant stated that the concerts were held under the auspices of the Harlem Division of the Civil Rights Congress.

~~NY~~ advised ROBESON attended a dance of the Labor Youth League (LYL) held at Rockland Palace, New York City on December 18, 1953.

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The LYL has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

~~NY~~ advised ROBESON spoke at a session of the Convention of the National Negro Labor Council at the Pershing Hotel, Chicago, Illinois on December 4, 1953. ROBESON stated that he had willingly deserted a career that had brought him wealth and fame in order to fight against JIM CROW and discrimination. ROBESON stated that he would not be frightened or turned from this course. He stated that the men who run this country are steadily leading us toward war. The oppression of the Negro people today has sharpened more than ever before and that the National Negro Labor Council stands as one of the strongest bulwarks in this country for peace and equality. ROBESON concluded his remarks by calling upon Negro and white youth to march side by side in the fight to create a new and better world. b7D

~~NY~~ advised ROBESON attended and spoke at the Progressive Party National Committee meeting held at the Cornish Arms Hotel, 311 West 23rd Street, New York City on January 16, 1954. b7D

The September, 1948 issue of "Political Affairs" which identifies itself as a magazine devoted to the theory and practice of Marxism-Leninism, contains on page 943 the election platform of the CP, which is set out in part as follows:

"...The new Progressive Party is an inescapable historic necessity for millions who want a real choice between peace and war, Democracy and Fascism, security and poverty."

The "Daily Worker" issue of February 2, 1954, page 3, column 1, reflects the following article entitled, "ROBESON Called Jefferson School Drive for Students a Must."

This article states, "All who cherish peace and freedom in our land should rally now to build and defend

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the Jefferson School, declared PAUL ROBESON in a statement issued here yesterday...We have learned through the years to be mighty proud of the Jefferson School. We have seen the clarity it brings to the American people translated into hard-fighting practice and struggles for peace, for trade union unity, for Negro rights, for intellectual freedom; and never before has the work of this school been more needed than in these fateful days of 1954."

The Jefferson School has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

~~_____~~ and ~~_____~~ advised ROBESON attended the Labor Youth League National Convention "Jamboree" held at Hunts Point Place, Bronx, New York on February 19, 1954.

ROBESON stated in a speech at this "Jamboree" that he was "honored to be here for he has always been close to youth." ROBESON stated that youth set an example in the fight for peace and declared that he would fight reaction until he was no longer a "second-class citizen" and urged the youth to fight for peace and unity. ROBESON further stated "hands off Indo China and Guatemala and freedom for Puerto Rico."

~~_____~~ advised that a PAUL ROBESON reception was held at Reverend HILL's Church, Detroit, Michigan on November 16, 1953. ~~_____~~ noted that the audience which nearly filled the church was almost without exception Communist Party members. After singing several songs, ROBESON spoke of a struggle of the African people to throw off the yoke of oppression. ROBESON stated that he considered it a great accomplishment for his race when he was able to convince Premier NEHRU of India that the Hindu people should join forces with the native Africans in a common struggle against their exploiters and oppressors. A record from one of ROBESON's albums was presented as a reward to each of those individuals who helped organize the gathering.

~~_____~~ and ~~_____~~ advised ROBESON attended a rally

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in defense of Guatemala sponsored by the Provisional Committee on Latin - American Affairs at Manhattan Plaza, 66 East 44th Street, New York City on March 12, 1954. ←

On [REDACTED] advised that the Provisional Committee on Latin American Affairs had been established to acquaint Americans with the real facts about the Guatemalan crisis. b7D

[REDACTED] advised on [REDACTED] that on March 9, 1954 RICHARD GREENSPAN was acting secretary of this Committee.

[REDACTED] has advised that RICHARD GREENSPAN is a member of the Communist Party, United States of America and of the Commission on Latin - American Affairs of the Communist Party, United States of America. U.S.

[REDACTED] advised that the American Labor Party in the garment center held a rally on February 24, 1954 at the Yugoslav - American Hall, 405 West 41st Street, New York City, which was attended by PAUL ROBESON. PAUL ROBESON gave a resume of the history of the Negro in the United States of America and stated the Negroes are on the move all over the world. Negroes in Africa are fighting for their freedom and are inspired by Red China and their victories. Mr. DULLES, who is going to the Inter-American Conference, does not represent the real America; we are the real Americans. ROBESON further stated since his father came from North Carolina, and himself and his son have come from the soil of this United States of America, and he is going to make a place for himself in this United States of America and no one has the right to tell him who he must choose as his friends, domestic or international. ROBESON sang several songs of which a few were sung in Russian. ←

[REDACTED] advised on [REDACTED] that without question the dynamic force in the American Labor Party is the Communist Party and that it is regarded as the political obligation of every Communist Party member in New York State to enroll and vote in the American Labor Party. b7C
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According to [REDACTED] ROBESON attended the 10th Anniversary Dinner of the Jefferson School of Social Science held on March 5, 1954 at the Hotel Mc Alpin, New York City.

[REDACTED] advised PAUL ROBESON attended a reception held in honor of HOWARD FAST at the Hotel Mc Alpin, New York City on April 22, 1954. HOWARD FAST was presented with the STALIN International Peace Prize at this reception.

[REDACTED] advised on [REDACTED] that HOWARD FAST is a member of the Communist Party.

SA [REDACTED] attended a rally of the International Workers Order (IWO) at Chateau Gardens, Houston Street and Second Avenue, New York City on February 22, 1954 and observed PAUL ROBESON in attendance.

The IWO has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

According to [REDACTED] the 32nd anniversary of the "Morning Freiheit" was celebrated at Town Hall, 150 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on April 3, 1954. According to [REDACTED] PAUL ROBESON attended this celebration.

The "Daily Worker" issue of January 13, 1943, page 6, columns 4-6, stated, "that the National Council of Jewish Communists advised on January 12, 1943, that it had dissolved itself and that the editorial and political control of the 'Morning Freiheit' passed from the National Council of Jewish Communists to the Morning Freiheit Association on January 11, 1943."

Instant article stated, "...Furthermore, it was recognized by the National Council that the liberation of the projected plan would enable the Jewish Communists by collaborating with known Communists to fulfill their duties to the 'Morning Freiheit' without the need for a National Council of Jewish Communists."

The "Daily Worker" December 9, 1946, page 7, column 1, in an editorial, referred to the "Morning Freiheit" as the Jewish language Communist paper.

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[redacted] furnished a letter of the National Committee to Win Amnesty for Smith Act Victims dated May 10, 1954 advertising an Amnesty Rally dedicated to freeing Smith Act victims for June 10, 1954. PAUL ROBESON was listed on the program for this Rally.

[redacted] advised on [redacted] that a National Conference to Win Amnesty for Smith Act Victims was held at St. Nicholas Arena, New York City on June 14, 1952, at which time a National Committee to Win Amnesty for Smith Act Victims was formed. According to the informant, the purpose of this organization was to promote amnesty for Communist Party leaders who had been indicted or convicted under the Smith Act and for all "Smith Act victims."

[redacted] advised PAUL ROBESON attended the May Day demonstration of the United May Day Committee held at Union Square, New York City on May 1, 1954.

The United May Day Committee has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker" of May 11, 1954, page 8, column 1, article entitled, "ROBESON Salute Will Open Fight for Travel Rights" states, "A cultural salute to PAUL ROBESON to be held May 26 at the Renaissance Casino, 138th Street at 7th Avenue, New York City, will be the opening event at a National Campaign to Restore the Distinguished Artist Right to Travel Abroad."

[redacted] advised a cultural salute to PAUL ROBESON was held at the Renaissance Casino, 138th Street and 7th Avenue, New York City on May 26, 1954 under the auspices of the Committee to Restore PAUL ROBESON's Passport. According to [redacted] this meeting consisted principally of entertainment, although several speeches were made demanding the State Department to restore ROBESON's passport.

"Negro Affairs" Quarterly, volume 2, number 1, 1954,

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page 5, issued by the National Negro Commission of the Communist Party, United States of America, states, "Be it subversive to support Africa's liberation, to make known to the American people the vicious 'apartheid' laws and to rally aid from Negro and white in this country against the daily terror in Malan's Africa?"

"...Because the United States Government has an economic and political stake in the suppression of South Africa's masses, giving loans and guns to Malan's regime, to enable it to carry on, it is anxious to silence the Council on African Affairs. The MC CARRAN Act is its instrument. The people of South Africa know the work of the Council on African Affairs and take courage from it."

"...PAUL ROBESON, Chairman of the African Council; Dr. W. E. B. DU BOIS, its Vice-Chairman; W. A. HUNTON, its Secretary - these are the men whom BROWNELL persecutes because they provide to Americans the truth about Africa."

~~NY~~ [redacted] advised on [redacted] that W. E. B. DU BOIS was a Communist. b7D

~~NY~~ [redacted] knew W. E. B. DU BOIS to be a member of the Communist Party as of [redacted]

[redacted] advised ALPHAEUS HUNTON is a Communist. HUNTON attended the Marxist Institute of the Jefferson School of Social Science during the term 1948 to 1949. NY b7C b7D

~~NY~~ [redacted] stated HUNTON is a Communist. b7D

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE. <p>PAUL ROBESON arrived via air at Seattle, Wash., 7/29/54 and departed via air 8/7/54. While in the Seattle area ROBESON sang and spoke at a peace rally at Blaine, Wash., which was sponsored by the Vancouver, B.C. local of the International Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union. On 8/6/54 ROBESON gave a public concert at the Senator Auditorium, Seattle, Wash. ROBESON also attended a "People's World" fund raising dinner on 8/1/54 at Bellingham, Wash. He attended a reception at the Shipscaler's Union Hall, Seattle, on 8/6/54. The Communist Party, Seattle Chapter of the Negro Labor Council, and the "Daily People's World" were all active in behalf of PAUL ROBESON.</p> <p>- RUC -</p> <p>DETAILS: VARIOUS PLANS FOR PAUL ROBESON'S VISIT TO SEATTLE, WASH.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>			
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Confidential Informant [redacted] of known reliability, has advised that the members of the editorial staff and board of "Freedom" are communists who are active in racial matters. This informant also advised that "Freedom" was intended as a replacement for the Harlem edition of the "Worker", the Sunday edition of the "Daily Worker", an East Coast communist newspaper.

On [redacted] the Seattle Chapter of the Negro Labor Council held a meeting at [redacted]. One of the principal speakers at this meeting was PAUL BOWEN, who on October 10, 1953, was convicted in Federal Court for conspiracy to violate the Smith Act. BOWEN on numerous occasions has made public statements that he is a member of the Communist Party. PAUL BOWEN called for the formation within the Seattle Negro Labor Council of a Paul Robeson Concert Committee. The purpose of this committee would be to make arrangements for PAUL ROBESON's concert at Peace Arch Park, Blaine, Wash., as well as a public concert to be held in Seattle - both events were planned to take place early in August, 1954.

The Seattle Negro Labor Council has been designated by the U. S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

SOURCE: Confidential Informant [redacted] of known reliability.

ACTIVITIES OF THE PAUL ROBESON CONCERT COMMITTEE

On [redacted] the PAUL ROBESON Concert Committee held a meeting at [redacted]. At this meeting the following individuals were elected as officers for the Paul Robeson Concert Committee:

Chairman	ROSE CARTER
Secretary	VINCE DAVIS
Treasurer	PEARL CASTLE
Financial Committee Chairman	PEARL CASTLE
Honor Guard (also called Security Guard)	DELBERT CASTLE
Housing Chairman	HAZEL HORDER
Reception Committee Chairman	ANITA MARKEY
Program Chairman	JERRY MARKEY.

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Confidential Informant [redacted] of known reliability, advised that ROSE CARTER is presently an active member of the Central Section, 12th District, Communist Party.

[redacted] advised that VINCE DAVIS, PEARL CASTLE, DELBERT CASTLE were prominent members of the 12th District CP.

[redacted] identified HAZEL HORDER as a member of the CP.

According to Confidential Informant [redacted] ANITA and JERRY MARKEY are members of the Negro Labor Council.

[redacted] planned to [redacted] assemble an honor guard (also referred to as a security guard) to escort PAUL ROBESON from Seattle to Elaine, Washington, and return.

DELBERT CASTLE was designated as the individual who would attempt to assemble sufficient union men to sponsor a dinner for PAUL ROBESON at Washington Hall [redacted]

SOURCE: Confidential Informant [redacted] of known reliability.

On [redacted] the Paul Robeson Concert Committee held a meeting at [redacted]

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SOURCE: [REDACTED] *4

On July 9, 1954, PEARL CASTLE and (BILL) SHORT paid a \$25.00 deposit on the Senator Auditorium, 7th and Union Streets, Seattle, Wash., for the evening of August 6, 1954. The rent for the auditorium would be \$150. It was decided to order 3200 tickets which were to be broken down into the following price categories:

200 Tickets @ \$5.00
900 Tickets @ 2.00
1600 Tickets @ 1.25
500 Tickets @ .50

It was expected that approximately 3,000 people would attend the concert.

SOURCE: Confidential Informant [REDACTED] *4
of known reliability.

[REDACTED] PEARL CASTLE had secured the Senator Auditorium at the cost of \$150 and was printing 3200 tickets at the cost of \$33.00. [REDACTED] FRED BARRY would assist in having the Shipbuilders Union sponsor a union concert for PAUL ROBESON. ANITA MARKEY [REDACTED] was still unable to obtain adequate housing for PAUL ROBESON.

SOURCE: [REDACTED] *4

On July 17, 1954, the Seattle Chapter of the Negro Labor Council raised \$125 to cover the cost of renting the Senator Auditorium for the PAUL ROBESON concert which was to be held on August 6, 1954.

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On July 22, 1954, the Robeson Concert Committee held a meeting at the home of VINCE DAVIS, Seattle. The first point of order at the meeting was a report from the housing committee and ANITA MARKEY advised that the housing committee as yet was unable to secure adequate housing for PAUL ROBESON even though the committee was prepared to pay rent up to \$10.00 a day.

[REDACTED] the Shipscaler's Union is planning a reception on Saturday, August 8, 1954, at 2:00 p.m. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the offices of the "Daily People's World", the Civil Rights Congress, Frontier Book Store, and the Washington Pension Union were all pushing the concert tickets.

SOURCE: [REDACTED] KU

The California Committee on Un-American Activities report of 1948, page 342, states that the "Daily People's World" is "the West Coast mouth piece of the Communist Party."

The Civil Rights Congress has been designated by the Attorney General of the U. S. pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Frontier Book Store - Confidential Informant [REDACTED] of known reliability, reported that ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, Secretary-Treasurer of the International Publishers, Inc., the publishing agency of the Communist Party, conferred with the Communist Party leaders in Seattle on June 29, 1950, at which time he was informed by one of the leaders that MARION KINNEY was the one who ordered literature for the Communist Party. On the same date TRACHTENBERG met with the Literature Commission of the 12th District Communist Party, which included MARION KINNEY. In discussing with MARION KINNEY the operations of the Frontier Book Store, TRACHTENBERG remarked that the Party centers around the book store and that she should maintain constant contact with Party leadership. MARION KINNEY stated that the idea that the Frontier Book Store was not a communist book store was a mistake.

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The Washington Pension Union has been designated by the U. S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

COMMUNIST PARTY SUPPORT OF PAUL ROBESON

On [REDACTED] the Grays Harbor Section of the Communist Party held a meeting at [REDACTED] PEARL CASTLE from Seattle, Wash., was present and urged all to attend the Paul Robeson concert which would be held at Peace Arch Park, Blaine, Wash., on August 1, 1954 as well as the concert to be held in Seattle on August 6th. After the meeting a clam feed was held and \$1.00 was collected from all present. This money was for the Paul Robeson National Defense Fund.

SOURCE: Confidential Informant [REDACTED] X4

On [REDACTED] a branch meeting of the Communist Party was held at [REDACTED] It was announced at this meeting that PAUL ROBESON would sing on August 1st at Blaine, Wash., and that he would hold a concert in Seattle, Wash., on August 6, 1954. All Party members were urged to support these affairs.

SOURCE: Confidential Informant [REDACTED] X4

C.P. FRONT ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTING PAUL ROBESON

On [REDACTED] the Northwest Bureau of the "Daily People's World" sponsored a kickoff fund raising conference at [REDACTED] TERRY PETTUS, Editor, Northwest Bureau, "Daily People's World" and an admitted member of the Communist Party, announced that PAUL ROBESON would sing at the Peace Arch at Blaine, Wash., and urged all attend this function.

SOURCE: Confidential Informant [REDACTED]

On August 6, 1954, the Frontier Book Store, Seattle, was selling PAUL ROBESON concert tickets.

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On August 15, 1954, an official notice of the State Board of the Washington Pension Union dated August 14, 1954, was released. This notice announced that "In commemoration of the first anniversary of the death of our beloved and honored BILL, there will be a short meeting sponsored by the WILLIAM J. PENNOCK Memorial Association. While they were in Seattle last week PAUL ROBESON and JOSEPH STAROBIN recorded special tributes to "BILL", and ROBESON sang four songs for this meeting!" The notice was signed MABEL CONRAD, WPU Secretary. WASH

It will be noted that WILLIAM J. PENNOCK is an admitted member of the Communist Party who committed suicide while standing trial in Federal Court, Seattle, charged with conspiracy to violate the Smith Act of 1940.

JOSEPH STAROBIN was the foreign correspondent for the "Daily Worker".

SOURCE: Confidential Informant [redacted] of known reliability. 4 b7

ROBESON ACTIVITIES WHILE IN THE SEATTLE AREA

On July 29, 1954, PAUL ROBESON, JOHN GRAY, his manager, and ALAN BOOTH, his pianist, arrived at the Seattle-Tacoma Airport. WASH That evening a reception in honor of PAUL ROBESON was held at the residence of EARL and VIVIAN GEORGE, 403 20th Avenue North, Seattle. C.F.

In addition to the PAUL ROBESON Concert Committee PAUL and DORTHA BOWEN, TERRY and BERTA PETTUS, MARION KINNEY and BABA JEANNE DECKER attended this meeting.

It will be recalled that PAUL BOWEN and TERRY PETTUS were convicted on October 10, 1953, for conspiracy to violate the Smith Act of 1940.

MARION KINNEY is an admitted member of the Communist Party and manager of the Frontier Book Store.

BABA JEANNE DECKER is a member of the Communist Party and organizer of the North King County Section of the CP.

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The informant added that while in Seattle PAUL ROBESON would reside with EARL and VIVIAN GEORGE.

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advised [REDACTED] that he knew EARL and VIVIAN GEORGE to be members of the District Committee, 12th District CP.

On August 1, 1954, the Vancouver, B. C., Canada, local of the International Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union sponsored a concert featuring PAUL ROBESON at Peace Arch Park, Blaine, Washington.

HARVEY MURPHY, Regional Director of the International Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union, acted as master of ceremonies and introduced ROBESON. ROBESON sang numerous songs, the majority of which were written by composers from "Iron Curtain" countries. ROBESON also gave a short reading in Russian.

ROBESON made the collection speech and requested that the donations be brought to the speaker's wagon. The response to his appeal was very light and this caused ROBESON to make several comments in an effort to have more individuals donate to his cause.

ROBESON then gave a short talk in which he stated he was the executive editor of the newspaper entitled "Freedom" and was a member of the executive committee for the Council on African Affairs.

The COUNCIL ON AFRICAN AFFAIRS has been designated by the U. S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

ROBESON complained bitterly over the fact that the State Department has not only refused to issue him a passport but has also denied him permission to leave this country or to even visit such neighboring countries as Canada and Mexico. ROBESON complained that the ordinary citizen does not need a passport to visit either Canada or Mexico. According to ROBESON if he were permitted to go to Europe he could obtain several leading roles in operas which were being presented in Czechoslovakia and other "Iron Curtain" countries.

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He also warned that if the State Department did permit him to leave the country he would not cease speaking out for the independence of the African people even though this was against the policy of the State Department. ROBESON also claimed that the State Department by refusing him permission to travel abroad was denying him the right to make a living.

At the concert PAUL ROBESON introduced JOSEPH STAROBIN, foreign correspondent of the "Daily Worker" to the audience.

SOURCE: Confidential Informant [redacted] of known reliability. 7/4

Confidential Informant [redacted] estimated that approximately 2500 people were in Peace Arch Park during the concert. b7D

According to informant over a thousand cars were parked in the vicinity of the Canadian Immigration as compared to only several hundred cars in the vicinity of the United States Immigration Station. Informant stated that on every Sunday there are approximately 300 to 500 people picnicking in the park and therefore he estimated that between 1500 and 1800 Canadians attended the concert, 200 Americans and between 300 and 500 picnickers.

SOURCE: Confidential Informant [redacted] of known reliability. d

The following article appeared in the August 6, 1954, issue of the "Daily People's World", page 4, column 3:

"PAUL ROBESON'S VOICE SOARS ACROSS NATIONAL BARRIERS"

"The artistry of Paul Robeson winged unimpeded across an international frontier with the appearance of the world-beloved singer and actor in his third annual concert in beautiful Peace Arch park on the U. S.-Canadian border.

"Although denied a passport to appear in their countries Robeson sang to friends from many lands as the audience was swelled by athletes and visitors from all parts of the British Commonwealth who are in Vancouver for the famous Empire Games.

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"Overflow Crowd

"The many thousands who made the annual pilgrimage to the Peace Arch spread out across the smooth green lawns, up the gentle flower-slashed slope that makes the park a natural amphitheater and over-flowed into the trees rimming the Eastern boundary. Estimates ranged from fifteen to twenty thousand. However, a Canadian Mounted Police check of 8000 cars lends weight to the larger figure.

"Although the informality and warmth of an outdoor affair remained, ROBESON this year sang a complete, formal concert program ranging from the spirituals of his people, the folk music of many lands to the somberly dramatic 'Prayer and Death' excerpt from Moussorgsky's 'Bohis Godunov'.

"The artist freely admitted that he had some doubts as to the suitability of this selection for a huge, outdoor audience but these soon vanished. The audience loved it and cheered when the singer expressed the hope that he would soon be able to present it on the opera stage of Europe and 'even in my own country'.

"Since its inception the annual border concert has been linked to the fight to force the U. S. State Department to rescind its ban on ROBESON'S passport. The first was held when the singer was unable to get permission to leave the U. S. to appear in a Vancouver, B. C. concert sponsored by the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union. If ROBESON cannot come to us, the union said, we will go to him. So the great artist went to the border and the people flocked to hear him. Each year Mine-Mill has sponsored the concert.

"This year the union put out an elaborate, printed program which contained greetings from many Canadian trade unions and fraternal groups. Included as well were messages from personages all over the world protesting the passport ban. Harvey Murphy, Mine-Mill regional director, introduced Robeson as a 'great American who is loved throughout the world'.

"Joe Hill

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"As a special tribute to the fighting traditions of the Canadian union Robeson presented a reading of the scene 'I Speak For Joe Hill' from the play 'The Man Who Never Died' by Barry Stavis. And the program included, as it does every year, a request for 'Joe Hill'.

"In response to the greetings from Murphy the singer pledged to his audience that he will 'press for the freedom of Africa and all colonial people' and will 'keep fighting for the dignity of my people and all people'.

"During an intermission a young Australian athlete paid tribute to Robeson and presented him with gifts from the youth movement of that country. The gifts included a boomerang and an Australian Empire Games' pin."

On August 1, 1954, immediately after the Paul Robeson Concert at Peace Arch Park, ROBESON, accompanied by TERRY PETTUS and JOSEPH STAROBIN, went to the home of WILLIAM "RED" WALLACE at Bellingham, Wash., where a "People's World" fund raising dinner was held. Approximately 70 people attended this dinner and the main speech was given by JOSEPH STAROBIN. According to the informant, ROBESON did not take part in the proceedings. After the dinner the party returned to Seattle, Washington.

SOURCE: Confidential Informant [redacted] of known reliability. u

On August 6, 1954, PAUL ROBESON sang at a concert which was held at the Senator Auditorium, 7th and Union, Seattle. A crowd of approximately 200 to 300 people attended the concert. ROBESON made no political speeches at this concert, however his program consisted of so-called "progressive" songs as JOE HILL, JOHN HENRY, Etc.

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The following article concerning ROBESON'S concert at the Senator Auditorium appeared in the August 13, 1954, edition of the "Daily People's World", page 2, column 2:

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"ROBESON, BOOTH SCORE IN CONCERT"

"PAUL ROBESON and ALAN BOOTH, his Seattle accompanist and guest artist, scored a musical triumph at a summer concert in the Eagles Auditorium Aug 6. Although competing with the many public Seafair activities the concert drew an audience of 700.

"The concert was the Seattle debut of Booth as a concert pianist. To the obvious delight of ROBESON the audience gave him ovation after ovation. In addition to such standard concert numbers as a Beethoven sonata and a Chopin ballad, which gave music lovers an opportunity to compare techniques with pianists ranging from Liberace to Paderewski, BOOTH introduced several new program items including a Chinese suite and three African dances.

"As in previous concerts the audience was satisfied with no fewer than a half dozen encores ending with 'JOE HILL'. ROBESON the actor blended with ROBESON the singer in the powerful prayer and death excerpt from Moussorgsky's opera 'Boris Godunov'. ROBESON is scheduled to sing the title role of 'Boris Godunov' in Europe if and when he gets his passport.

"ROBESON spent more than a week in Seattle conferring with community leaders. On Saturday at a trade union conference in the AFL Shipscaler's Hall a continuations committee to help in the passport campaign was set up."

On August 7, 1954, a reception was held for PAUL ROBESON at the Shipscaler's Drydock and Miscellaneous Workers Union, AFL, 2221 Third Avenue, Seattle, Wash. Prior to ROBESON'S arrival at the reception the Civil Rights Congress circulated petitions among those in attendance. ROBESON sang several songs and between songs would comment on different international and local matters. ROBESON'S main point seemed to be based on the theme that the working people were maltreated by the rich. Approximately thirty or forty individuals attended this reception.

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On the evening of August 7, 1954, PAUL ROBESON and his associates were driven to the Seattle-Tacoma Airport where they boarded an airplane for an unknown destination.

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ROBESON Attempts to Speak Before Local 1-9 ILWU

The following article appeared in the August 15, 1954 edition of the "Seattle Post-Intelligencer", page 17, column 1:

"ROBESON Talk Failure Reason Still Not Clear"

"PAUL ROBESON, controversial Negro baritone, failed in an attempt to speak before a meeting of the Longshoremen's Union here recently, but the reason for his failure was not clear Saturday night.

"One source said the pro-Russian singer's appearance was thwarted when members stayed away from a scheduled meeting, thus preventing a quorum of 200 to vote on whether he should be heard.

"ART OLSEN, secretary of Local 19, International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, said the lack of a quorum wasn't unusual. OLSEN said 144 men attended and that fewer than 50 stayed outside.

"ROBESON was in the area to sing at a concert at the Peace Arch near Blaine. He is an honorary member of the union."

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (61-6361)

DATE: 6/23/54

FROM : SAC, New York (65-3310)

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are translations from the following issues of the Hungarian Language, pro-Communist, weekly publication, "Magyar Szo":

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Also enclosed for the Bureau are four translations from the 1954 Almanac of the "Magyar Szo".

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(Hungarian American Word)
March 25, 1954
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(Summary)

PAUL ROBESON'S ADDRESS ON THE TUES OF MARCH

The bright spot in the program of New York's progressive Hungarians was the appearance of Paul Robeson. After he sang he delivered this deeply moving and unforgettable speech.

A century may be of fateful importance in the history of a nation. At the time of the world revolutions in 1848 my father was a five year old boy, and a slave. Soon the abolitionist forces became active and their efforts led to the great Civil War.

No more noble page was written in history than that about your father, Louis Kossuth. Today the same old spirit of fellowship exists between my people and yours. We are all real Americans, regardless of our national background.

This America is ours! And our beloved Louis Kossuth and Frederick Douglass urge us to stand fast and continue the battle in the spirit of our land's great heritage.

Today the entire land is upset by McCarthy's fascist tactics. Progressive Americans were the first to realize the danger, to ring the alarm. Now millions of Americans are aware that the situation is serious and they are beginning to act.

We cannot let ourselves be frightened. We can do pioneer work in saving our land, which we will give to our sons as the land of peace and plenty.

I send my sincere best wishes to the people of Louis Kossuth's land, to the Hungarian peoples' democracy, one of socialism's great lands. Let them realize that there is still a decent America which stands guard and which is growing by the addition of millions, a decent America which extends its hand for peace and friendship to all peoples.

The dangerous areas will continue to remain especially in our land torn by waves of reaction. Now the entire world is united in a common

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effort, for a common goal: peace. The powerful army of peace, led by the great people of the Soviet Union, the Chinese Peoples Republic, the peoples' democracies and millions of peace lovers in every land on earth, will bar war.

PEACE WILL CONQUER WAR!

Long live Hungarian freedom!

Translator: [REDACTED] b7c

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-12304)
FROM : SAC, New York (100-25857)
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DATE: 6/30/54

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
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October 4, 1954

From Walter Winchell.

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Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Boardman _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Mohr _____
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Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Sizoo
Mr. Winterrowd
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

Dear Mr. Winchell:

What do you think of Paul Robeson
on the corner of 126th St. and Lenox Ave. on top
of a Sound-Trench? He's indeed, singing his "eye balls"
out to the "Sneaky. Pete" set!! Quite a come-again
huh? What's the matter, can't he get no looking?

after Carnegie Hall, Town Hall, etc. - Singing
about "John Henry" and talking about when he played
football he was fighting for us and so forth; yeah, huh?

Says he's still fighting for us - We don't seem
to be doing a bad under "the" (Communism) Lf.
you want my 4 cents worth - Anyone seen Joe
McCarthy?

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[REDACTED] N.Y.C. b7c

Dear Mr. Winchell:

What do you think of Paul Robeson singing on the corner of 126th St. and Lenox Ave. on top of a sound truck? Yes Indeed, singing his "eye-balls" out to the "Sneaky Pete" set! Quite a come-down huh? What's the matter, can't he get no booking?

After Carnegie Hall, Town Hall, etc - singing about "John Henry" and talking about when he played football he was fighting for us and so forth; Yeah, huh?

Says he's still fighting for us - We don't seem to be doing so bad under "Ike" (Eisenhower) if you want my 4 cents worth. Anyone seen Joe McCarthy?

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TO : MR. F. J. BAUMGARTNER

DATE: October 5, 1954

FROM : MR. R. D. SIMPSON

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G-2 has furnished excerpts of information obtained during the questioning of returned prisoners of war from Korea. Attached are excerpts pertaining to captioned individual.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the attached be furnished to the supervisor handling this case.

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ROBESON, Paul

Name

Rank

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Dossier No.

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Paul Robeson

[REDACTED] made the following statement concerning [REDACTED] during [REDACTED]'s interrogation on [REDACTED]

ROBESON, Paul was praised by the Chinese for his peace efforts.

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ROBESON, Paul

Name	RANK	ASN	Dossier No.	Army Area
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[REDACTED] made the following statement
during his interrogation on [REDACTED]

The library in camp had books written by ROBESON, Paul.

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ROBESON, Paul

Name	RANK	ASN	Dossier No.	Army Area
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[REDACTED] made the following statement concerning
ROBESON, Paul during [REDACTED]'s interrogation on
[REDACTED]

Subject could recall no publications suggested to prisoners as reading material for use after their release; however, the general statement made by the Communist was that they suggested certain books for reading and told the address of book stores in the larger cities where such books could be found. They also mentioned such authors as: Paul ROBESON; FOSTER; and Steve NELSON. They also mentioned certain films to see.

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MR. A. H. BELMONT

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November 22, 1954

MR. W. V. CLEVELAND

[REDACTED] (c)

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ACTION:

[REDACTED] advised that the Bureau would be kept informed of developments. (u) b7c

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cc-Mr. Belmont
cc-Mr. Branigan
cc-Mr. George Lake
cc-Mr. Ammarell

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject employed as chairman of Editorial Board of "Freedom" and as chairman of the National Council on African Affairs. Subject also self-employed as concert singer, resides at 22 East 89th St, NYC. Subject attended National Conference to Win Amnesty for Smith Act Victims, 6/10/54; official opening "People's Artists", 6/12/54 and BEN GOLD meeting, 6/16/54, subject attended APC program 6/24/54, Soviet reception in honor of Russian Chess Team, 6/24/54, and a tribute to BEN DAVIS, 6/29/54. Subject in attendance at WILLIAM L. PATTERSON Rally, 8/26/54 and AIP rally, 9/23/54. Subject attended National Negro Labor Council, meetings held 9/24-26/54 and on 10/3/54 attended CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT Rally, Chicago, Illinois. Subject and wife honored by dinner sponsored by "New World Review", 10/14/54. On 10/31/54, subject sang at Chopin Cultural Center, Chicago, and on 11/7/54 attended USSR celebration at NYC, and at Soviet Embassy, Washington, D.C. On 11/8/54, subject attended PATTERSON Rally, NYC, and NCASF meeting, 11/16/54. Subject scheduled to give concert at PUND, NYC, on 12/7/54, and on 12/17/54 attended dinner honoring International Publishers. Miscellaneous information re Provisional Committee to Restore PAUL ROBESON's Passport set forth. "Daily Worker", 12/9/54, notes ROBESON subpoenaed to appear that date before NY State Board Legislative Committee on Philanthropic and Charitable Agencies.

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DETAILS:

All informants mentioned in this report are of known reliability unless the contrary is indicated.

BACKGROUND

Employment

The August, 1954, issue of "Freedom", Volume IV, Number 5, page 2, noted that instant paper is published monthly by Freedom Associates, 139 West 125th Street, New York City, and further listed PAUL ROBESON as chairman of the paper's editorial board.

"Freedom", a monthly newspaper published by Freedom Associates was introduced in November, 1950, the purpose of which was to promote Negro matters, the selecting and writing of all material from the viewpoint that is interesting rather than necessary to the Negro worker and to point out the importance of the Negro people of their alliance with the labor movement of the working class. (The "Worker", issue of December 31, 1950)

The "Worker" is the Sunday edition of the "Daily Worker", an East coast Communist newspaper.

██████████ advised in ██████████ that the editorial board of "Freedom" was composed of Communist Party members and sympathizers. According to ██████████ "Freedom" was intended as a replacement for the Harlem edition of the "Worker".

██████████ advised in ██████████ that PAUL ROBESON was chairman of the editorial board of "Freedom" and also usually wrote the lead article for the paper.

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██████████ advised on ██████████ that the subject is chairman of the National Council on African Affairs and is associated with the publication, "Freedom", both organizations being located at 139 West 125th Street, New York City. ██████████ advised that the subject is presently self-employed as he has been for years as a concert singer.

The National Council on African Affairs has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Residence

On December 17, 1954, ██████████ advised PAUL ROBESON is receiving his mail at apartment 2L, 22 East 89th Street, and, in the opinion of ██████████ this address constitutes PAUL ROBESON's legal residence. He stated that the apartment is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. HAROLD MC GEE and ROBESON on occasion spends evenings there. ██████████ stated that MC GEE is an unemployed actor who apparently is suffering from a continuing illness which confines him to his bed.

ACTIVITIES OF SUBJECT

The June 20, 1954 issue of "The Worker", page 10, column 1, contained an article entitled "They Tried to Scandalize His Name - and Failed," which pointed out that the "Get ROBESON Campaign" had failed despite intimidation and name calling on the part of political "know nothings." The article continued to quote a statement given by ROBESON on March 3, 1954, in which ROBESON stated "I know of no force on this earth that can make me retreat one thousandth part of one inch from my firm, well considered, repeatedly declared and fully openly-lived beliefs."

██████████ advised that the subject attended and was a speaker at a meeting of the National Conference to Win Amnesty for Smith Act Victims held June 10, 1954, at the Chateau Gardens, 105 East Houston Street, New York City, which according to the informant, amounted to an "Amnesty Rally for Smith Act prisoners and a tribute to Dr. EDWARD K. BARSKY."

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[redacted] advised on [redacted] that a National Conference to Win Amnesty for Smith Act Victims was held at the St. Nicholas Arena, New York City, on June 14, 1952, at which time the National Committee to Win Amnesty for Smith Act Victims was formed. According to the informant, the purpose of this organization was to promote amnesty for Communist Party leaders who had been indicted or convicted under the Smith Act. b7D

With regard to DR. EDWARD K. BARSKY, mentioned above, the "Daily Worker" of May 25, 1945, advised that he was president of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee.

The Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker" of April 1, 1947, stated that BARSKY was one of the 17 leaders of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee who was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury in Washington, D.C., for contempt of court.

[redacted] advised that BARSKY was a member of the Communist Party. b7D

[redacted] advised that on June 12, 1954, the subject attended an official opening of the new office of "People's Artists", which affair was open by invitation only and was in fact an attempt to raise funds for the organization. ROBESON sang one song and spoke on the importance of "People's Artists" and the job it was doing for the Progressive Movement.

People's Artists, Incorporated, has been cited as a Communist front. (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, page 342).

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On [redacted] [redacted] advised that the subject attended a meeting of trade unionists held at the Fur Workers Union Auditorium, New York City, on June 16, 1954, at which BEN GOLD was chairman. [redacted] continued that subject sang and in a speech called on the trade union movement "to take up the challenge of the racists and the trade union haters and to smash their conspiracy against the trade union movement." He pointed out this conspiracy is vividly underlined in the Taft-Hartley conviction of BEN GOLD, who, according to ROBESON, was the greatest union leader in the country.

BEN GOLD, the president of the International Fur and Leather Workers Union, was convicted in April, 1954, under the provisions of the Taft-Hartley Act for filing a false non-Communist affidavit. GOLD has publicly admitted to have been a Communist Party member for over thirty years. 671

[redacted] and [redacted] advised that the subject attended a cultural program sponsored by the American Peace Crusade on June 24, 1954 at the City Center Casino, 135 West 55th Street, New York City. [redacted] and [redacted] advised that ROBESON's part in the program consisted of singing several Negro spirituals and informing the audience that he would fight for freedom in this country as long as he is able.

The American Peace Crusade has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

[redacted] advised on June 24, 1954 that ROBESON attended a Soviet reception in honor of the Soviet Chess Team held at the Soviet Delegation Office, New York City. During the course of same, Mr. V.P. SUSLOV, First Secretary of the Soviet United Nations Delegation, commented that one of the outstanding items of the evening's entertainment would be the singing of "one of our very good American friends, PAUL ROBESON." SUSLOV continued that subject was very fluent in Russian and sang Russian songs and operatic works to perfection. [redacted] further advised that ROBESON did sing several songs after greeting guests in Russian. RUS

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[redacted] advised on June 29, 1954, that the subject attended "A Tribute to BEN DAVIS" held at the United Mutual Hall, 310 Lenox Avenue, New York City, which affair was sponsored by the BEN DAVIS Freedom Committee, the Civil Rights Congress and the National Committee to Defend Negro Leadership. According to the informant, ROBESON addressed the meeting regarding his trip to Washington, D.C. in attempting to gain parole for DAVIS and attacked the "colonialism" of the foreign policy of the United States especially in Guatemala, where he stated the United States had sponsored the recent revolution. b7D NY

The Civil Rights Congress has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

BENJAMIN DAVIS was convicted in October, 1949, in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, for violation of the Smith Act of 1940.

The "Daily Worker" issue of September 10, 1951, page 3, columns 1-4, reflected a community campaign to free BEN DAVIS had begun on the streets of Harlem in early September and was sponsored by the Free BEN DAVIS Committee and the Harlem Civil Rights Congress.

[redacted] on March 1, 1954, made available a leaflet entitled "Petition for Amnesty for BENJAMIN DAVIS", issued by the BEN DAVIS Freedom Committee, same being signed by LOUISE JEFFERS, WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, MARTHA CORREA, PAULINE MILOUS and SAUL GROSS. A letter attached to the above petition reflects the aims of the BENJAMIN DAVIS Freedom Committee are to terminate and abolish segregation and discrimination of federal prisoners and to grant amnesty to BENJAMIN DAVIS and all other political prisoners. WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, listed above, was listed on this leaflet as national executive secretary of the Civil Rights Congress which has been previously described. b7D

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[redacted] advised on February 15, 1954, that LOUISE JEFFERS was an organizer in the Harlem Communist Party, New York City.

[redacted] advised on [redacted] that MARTHA CORREA is the Denver County, Colorado, organizer of the Communist Party and is also in charge of the Mexican Section of the Communist Party in Denver.

[redacted] advised on [redacted] that PAULINE MILOUS was a member of the Nat Turner Club of the Communist Party.

[redacted] of unknown reliability, advised in [redacted] that [redacted] had been a member of the International Workers Order for ten years.

The International Workers Order has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

[redacted] advised [redacted] a National Committee to Defend Negro Leadership had been formed to stop the attacks against the whole Negro people. On [redacted] [redacted] stated that the National Committee to Defend Negro Leadership is highly infiltrated by the Communist Party and has expanded its energies in behalf of negroes indicted under the Smith Act.

[redacted] stated on [redacted] that officers of the National Committee to Defend Negro Leadership are in frequent contact with CP, USA Headquarters.

The "Daily Worker" issue of July 1, 1954, page 3, column 1, contained an article entitled "Packed Rally Honors BEN DAVIS" which article stated that several hundred persons attended tribute to BEN DAVIS held at 310 Lenox Avenue. The article stated that "DAVIS, a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, has brought suit to smash Jim Crow in federal prisons starting with the one at Terre Haute, Indiana, where he is serving a Smith Act frame-up."

In his speech, ROBESON, according to the article, spoke of the betrayal of the Guatemalan people and declared we must not lose sight of the millions in colonial and semi-colonial countries who are suffering "under serfdom imposed by those for whom we vote." The article pointed out that the Stalin Peace Prize Winner (ROBESON) declared "we in America are directly responsible for fighting for the freedom of these peoples."

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[REDACTED] advised that on July 2, 1954, the USSR Embassy, Washington, D.C., requested that two photographs of ROBESON, appropriately autographed, be secured for the Museum of Fine Arts in Moscow, Russia. b7D

The July 11, 1954, edition of the "Worker", page 8, column 1, contained an article entitled "a letter from ROBESON to CHARLES CHAPLIN", in which ROBESON publicly thanked CHAPLIN for a recent message supporting his, ROBESON'S, struggle to obtain a passport. The letter contained various compliments directed by ROBESON to CHAPLIN and concludes "may we meet again soon!"

The "Daily Worker" issue of August 9, 1954, page 1, column 3, contained an article entitled "15,000 Thrill to ROBESON'S Voice in United States-Canadian Border Concert", which article pointed out that ROBESON had sung at the Third Great Peace Arch Rally at the Canadian-United States Border. According to the article, ROBESON sang for approximately two hours and promised to take his passport case to the highest court in the United States.

[REDACTED] advised that as of August 11, 1954, JESSICA SMITH, Editor, "New World Review", indicated that the "New World Review" was organizing a dinner in honor of ESLANDA and PAUL ROBESON, same to be held October 14, 1954 at the City Center Casino, 135 West 55th Street, New York City. N.Y. 57D

It is noted that the publication, "Soviet Russia Today" in March, 1951, changed its title to "New World Review". N.Y. 100-25857

Concerning "Soviet Russia Today", the following appears in the booklet, "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", dated May 14, 1951, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C:

"Soviet Russia Today"

1. Cited as a Communist front. (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, March 29, 1944, page 167; also cited in Report, June 25, 1942, page 21.)

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2. Cited as a 'Communist-front publication'. (Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report Number 1953, on the Congress of American Women, April 226, 1950 (originally released October 23, 1949, page 108).

██████████ and ██████████ advised that on August 26, 1954, a combination protest rally and birthday party for WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, National Executive Secretary of the Civil Rights Congress, was held at Small's Paradise, 2294 7th Avenue, New York City.

██████████ and ██████████ continued that ROBESON was among the speakers and eulogized PATTERSON, describing him as a world-wide leader. ROBESON stated that the Communists who earlier had fought against Hitler are now fighting in the liberation of the human race. ROBESON described the imprisoned Communist Party leaders as the "real" patriots of America and called for a fight in their behalf because "their freedom is our freedom".

██████████ advised that on September 23, 1954, the American Labor Party held a 1954 Gubernatorial Election Rally at the Manhattan Center, New York City, during which various American Labor Party candidates spoke. ██████████ advised that PAUL ROBESON and his wife attended and ROBESON spoke on the desperate need for leadership in the minority groups.

██████████ advised that from the time of its inception in 1936, there existed within the American Labor Party a struggle for power among three groups. These were the Communist Party, the Socialist Party and the Social Democrats. By the early 1940's, the Communist Party emerged as the controlling force within the American Labor Party in the major industrial areas in New York State. Generally, these were the areas around Albany, Buffalo, Jamestown, Rochester, Schenectady, Syracuse, Troy, the Hudson River Valley, Columbia, Dutchess, Nassau and Westchester Counties, and New York City, with the exception of Brooklyn. In 1942, the Communist Party was able to capture the American Labor Party in Brooklyn. ██████████ knew this situation to continue up until at least 1949. The American Labor Party never developed into an organization of any real consequence in the non-industrial areas of New York State.

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[redacted] in [redacted] advised that the Communist Party today, as in the past, through its members in key positions in the American Labor Party, constitutes the force that controls it.

[redacted] and [redacted] advised that on September 24, 1954, the National Negro Labor Council held a street meeting under the auspices of its New York Chapter at the corner of 126th Street and Lenox Avenue. PAUL ROBESON was principal speaker in connection with which he asked the audience to attend the forthcoming National Negro Labor Council conference on September 25-26, 1954, at the Hotel Theresa. [redacted] and [redacted] continued that ROBESON sang several numbers and spoke from a sound truck to an audience of approximately 200 people. b7D

[redacted] and [redacted] advised that on [redacted] ROBESON was in attendance at the general council meeting of the National Negro Labor Council held at [redacted] New York City.

[redacted] continued that the subject addressed the sixty odd delegates on the progress of the National Council on African Affairs and stated that he, ROBESON, would do whatever he could for the National Negro Labor Council.

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Concerning the/Council on African Affairs, the following appears in the publication, "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", dated May 14, 1951, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C:

"National Council on African Affairs

- "1. Cited as subversive and Communist. (Attorney General TOM CLARK, letters to Loyalty Review Board, released December 4, 1947, and September 21, 1948.)
- "2. A Communist-front organization 'formerly known as the International Committee on African Affairs. Its official publication, a monthly bulletin, is called New Africa'. It has received funds from the American People's Fund, a 'Communist financial organization'. (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, pages 168 and 320.)"

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peaceful world and their efforts towards co-existence between nations.



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█████ advised that on November 7, 1954, PAUL ROBESON and his wife attended a November 7 celebration at the USSR United Nations Delegation, 680 Park Avenue, New York City.

█████ advised that on the evening of November 7, 1954, PAUL ROBESON and his wife attended a reception held at the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D.C., same being in celebration of the Great October Revolution.

█████ and █████ advised that on November 8, 1954, a "Fight-Back Rally" was held at the Renaissance Casino, New York City, to honor WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, National Executive Secretary, Civil Rights Congress, and ALPHAEUS HUNTON of the Council on African Affairs.

█████ and █████ advised the rally was sponsored by the National Committee to Defend Negro Leadership, Committee of 100 Women and Patterson Defense Committee, however, these informants felt that same was actually a joint effort of the Civil Rights Congress and the National Council on African Affairs. Approximately 350 people were in attendance and the chairman of same was ESLANDA ROBESON. PAUL ROBESON, in speaking before the rally, called for support of the colonial peoples of the world and stated that WILLIAM L. PATTERSON'S continued leadership in the fight on behalf of the Negro was necessary for the welfare of the oppressed.

The November 7, 1954, edition of the "Daily Worker", page 16, column 1, reflected that a "Fight-Back Rally" for WILLIAM PATTERSON was scheduled for the evening of November 8, 1954, which rally was to be partly sponsored by the Women's Committee of 100.

In the opinion of █████, the Women's Committee of 100 had been initiated about the time of the arrest of WILLIAM PATTERSON for the specific purpose of affording protection to political leaders as PATTERSON.

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[redacted] continued that the future plans of the committee encompassed concentration on the struggle for civil liberties and freedom from political oppression. According to [redacted] ESIANDA ROBESON was an officer of this organization.

[redacted] advised [redacted] that ROBESON attended the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship meeting held at the New Rockland Palace, 155th Street and 8th Avenue, New York City, which meeting was held in honor of the 37th anniversary of the founding of the Soviet State and the 21st anniversary of the United States diplomatic recognition of the Soviet Union. 67D

[redacted] advised that on November 16, 1954, ROBESON, at the above-mentioned meeting of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, spoke and delivered a speech which related the Red Revolution in 1917 with the struggle of the Negro people today in America.

ROBESON stated that just as Lenin and Stalin realized their dreams for their people, the Negro in America must be liberated into full freedom by 1963. He continued that like the USSR and Red China, the people of the world must live in co-existence for peace.

The National Council of American-Soviet Friendship has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

[redacted] advised that ROBESON was to give a concert on December 7, 1954, at the Polish United Nations Delegation, New York City.

[redacted] advised that the subject attended a dinner honoring the 30th anniversary of International Publishers and the 70th birthday of ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, held on December 17, 1954, at the Yugoslav-American Hall, 405 West 41st Street, New York City. ROBESON was among those who spoke in connection with the praising of the work of International Publishers. NY

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International Publishers

"The (Communist) Party's publishing house", headed by ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG. (Attorney General FRANCIS BIDDLE, Congressional Record, September 24, 1942, page 7686).

██████████ and ██████████ have described International Publishers as a Communist publishing house.

With regard to ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, ██████████ advised on ██████████ that he was a member of the National Review Commission of the Communist Party, USA, and was secretary of International Publishers, Incorporated.

ALEX TRACHTENBERG was one of the Communist Party leaders indicted on June 30, 1951, New York City, for violation of the Smith Act and was subsequently convicted on January 21, 1953 of same.

Miscellaneous

The "Daily Worker" issue of September 7, 1954, page 7, column 4, contained an article entitled "World Demand Rises to Let ROBESON Travel", which article stated that scores of protests and pledges of support are streaming into the office of the Provisional Committee to Restore PAUL ROBESON'S Passport.

██████████ advised that on November 1, 1951, a leaflet was prepared and distributed by the Provisional Committee to Restore PAUL ROBESON'S Passport, which leaflet was entitled "the case of PAUL ROBESON'S passport". The leaflet set forth the "facts" concerning the State Department's refusal to grant PAUL ROBESON'S passport and contains suggestions to be taken in having the passport ban lifted. The leaflet also contained a coupon bearing the following: "Miss MARGARET MC CADEN, Secretary, Provisional Committee to Restore PAUL ROBESON'S Passport, 2286 7th Avenue, New York City", which solicited contributions.

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[redacted] advised on [redacted] that [redacted] was a member of the 14th Ward, Communist Party, in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1945 or 1946. ←

The "Daily Worker" of May 4, 1954, page 6, column 1, reflects that MARGARET MC CADEN was social director at a Decoration Day weekend held at Camp Unity, New York. b7D

[redacted] advised that the program at Camp Unity, Wingdale, New York, featured lectures along Communist Party lines and that the bookshop at the camp dealt almost exclusively in Communist literature.

[redacted] has advised that Camp Unity was first set up by the Communist Party as a recreation camp for all races. In August, 1947, [redacted] stated the camp was frequented by Communists of all races.

The "Daily Worker" of December 9, 1954, page 1, column 3, contained an article entitled "ROBESON Subpoenaed" which stated that ROBESON had been subpoenaed to appear on December 9, 1954, before the New York State Joint Legislative Committee on Philanthropic and Charitable Organizations in an executive session at 270 Broadway. The article pointed out that the subpoena of ROBESON apparently is in connection with the "committee's attack on the Civil Rights Congress." ←

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