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Senate: Censored

TO OUR READERS:

The Academic Senate met for five hours last night to continue its debate on the urgent issue of SRI. The Senate decided to reveal absolutely nothing about its deliberations, an agreement binding on all present, including our reporter.

In the interests of printing full news about this critical meeting, we considered rejecting the secrecy agreement, but our typesetters at the Stanford Photo Reproduction Service refused to set any story that would violate the Senate agreement. The Photo

Reproduction employees said that as staff members of the University they were not free to disregard the Senate.

We regret our inability to report on last night's meeting. We believe the arbitrary, childish secrecy of the Senate is utterly intolerable in a University community. It is particularly unacceptable at a time of intense crisis. Openness is imperative at Stanford. It is time the faculty stopped playing games with the future of this University.

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