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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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The Honorable John McClellan
Chairman, Senate Permanent Subcommittee
on Investigations
Room 161, Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator McClellan:

This letter and the attached information are in reply to a subpoena issued on May 23, 1969 by you as Chairman of the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, addressed to the Board of Trustees of the Leland Stanford Junior University. The information requested therein breaks down into three categories, to each of which this letter addresses itself in order.

1. The subpoena first requests the "identity of the officers" of twelve listed organizations. As detailed in the attachment (Appendix A), some of the listed names do not correspond with any present organization connected with or taking part in campus activities at the University, and, therefore, the University possesses no official records disclosing the identity of the officers of any such organization if they do in fact exist.

As to those named organizations which are connected with or do take part in campus activities, the policy of the University has been to require only that one member of such organization -- whether or not an officer -- file his or her name with appropriate University authorities for the purpose of enabling necessary communication to exist. The University, with due regard for the right of free and unfettered association so vital to university life, does not require disclosure of either the officers or members of any campus organization. Accordingly, the University possesses no official records disclosing the officers of any of those organizations named in the subpoena which are registered with University authorities.

We do not believe that disclosure of that member of such organization whose name has been filed with the University is either required by or is in furtherance of your subpoena, since we have no official records disclosing whether such individual is or is not an officer of the organization. Indeed, I would be most reluctant in any event to disclose the names of these individuals without some clarification

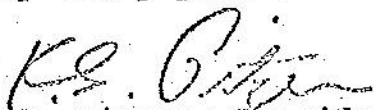
of the scope and purpose of your investigation and the possible pertinency that such names could have to that purpose.

2. The second category of the subpoena seeks the "identity of any other persons taking part in disorders" at the University, and "the nature and extent" of federal assistance provided to any such person. The word "other" requires me to note that our compliance with the subpoena in no way should be interpreted as any inference that officers of the organizations listed in the first category, whom we are not able to identify for reasons set forth above, in fact took part in any disorders at the University.

The University has appropriate procedures, incorporating fundamental requirements of due process of law, for determining violations of University regulations. In accordance therewith, certain individuals have either admitted violating or have been found to have violated such regulations in connection with campus disorders. In addition, certain other individuals have been suspended from the University for their activities in connection with campus disorders. To the extent that persons in either of these two categories have not already been named in the subpoena, they are listed in the attachment (Appendix B), together with the nature and extent of federal assistance received by these individuals, if any.

3. The third part of the subpoena requests "the nature and extent" of federal assistance provided ninety listed individuals. Our records disclose that twenty-three of such individuals have received or are receiving some form of direct aid from an agency of the United States Government, and the attachment (Appendix C) to this letter discloses this information. However, I must again emphasize that our compliance with the subpoena should in no way be interpreted as our concurrence that all of the individuals named in the subpoena (or, indeed, all those listed in Appendix C) have either violated University regulations in connection with campus disorders or have been associated in any way with such disorders.

Very truly yours,


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University