

SAC, San Francisco

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Director, FBI

PENINSULA RED GUARD (PRG)  
IS - REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU)  
(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)

ReSFairtel captioned "Revolutionary Union (RU),  
IS - RU," 2/7/69, summarizing current coverage in effect  
on the RU.

This letter is intended to respond to points  
raised in reairtel relating to the PRG and RU leader and  
PRG leader Howard Bruce Franklin.

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ReSFairtel inquiries if the complete text of Franklin's question and answer sessions before the AEI is available as this possibly could be made public and thus possibly cause conflict between and Franklin.

The question and answer sessions on 1/23/69 and 1/30/69, at the AEI meeting were recorded and it is understood the text of the questions and answers will be incorporated in the future in a bound volume which is expected to be made available to the Bureau. It is not expected this volume will be received for some time. However, both sessions were attended by approximately 70 individuals and it is known representatives of the press were present and one individual who publicly identified himself as a representative of the House Committee on Un-American Activities questioned Franklin.

It would appear it would be logical for any portions of the summary of Franklin's statements made on 1/23 and 1/30/69, as reported in Eulets 1/23/69 and 2/5/69, captioned "Howard Bruce Franklin," to be discreetly furnished to a cooperative news media source for publication. Nothing Franklin said at either of these sessions could be in any manner interpreted as an allusion to the RU. However, his admitted affiliation with the PRG could be published in conjunction with his statement, reported in Eulet 1/23/69, regarding his "close associate" who lived in China and a "young friend" who had served in the Red Guard while attending Peking Institute. Through a

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cooperative news media source an article could be prepared questioning the identity of the "mystery man" who has lived in China and who is working "behind the scenes" with Franklin and                      could be identified as the "young friend."

It is interesting to note Franklin indicated his personal knowledge of events in China primarily resulted from his acquaintanceship with a "close associate" and a "young friend."

It is suggested you consider briefing a cooperative news media source regarding Franklin's statements at the AEI session looking towards publication of an article calculated to disrupt the relationship between Franklin and                      . Also, you might consider directing your news media source to interview Franklin and/or                      for further details. The Bureau will be pleased to entertain any recommendations you may have in this regard.