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1. The attached newspaper clippings deal with public statements and reactions of two prominent university administrators in our area to the recent disclosure of this Agency's relationship with the National Student Association (NSA) and the funding of other campus association activities.

2. Chancellor William Pearson Tolley, of Syracuse University [SU].

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Chancellor Tolley is an effective fund raiser for the university and a person who commands the respect of his board of trustees. This latter body recently allowed him to remain on in his present office until he reaches the age of 70. SU normally exercises a mandatory retirement clause on its faculty and staff when they attain the age of 67. Two or three years ago, Chancellor Tolley made national headlines when he "canceled" several student anti-Vietnam demonstrators, "peacenik types" who tried to disrupt the annual President's ROTC dress review ceremonies held on his campus. As these protests moved on to the field to break up this event, the Chancellor stepped out of his reviewing position and shook at several of them with his cane, establishing contact in one reported instance.

3. James Alfred Perkins, President of Cornell University [CU].

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b. [REDACTED] Shortly after the Michigan incident, relationship broke in the press in Spring 1966, Mr. Perkins was quoted in the New York Times as telling a group of educators that "Michigan State was bad," or something very close to those words. (We do not have the clipping now at hand.)

[REDACTED] While student activists and their supporters do not represent a large segment of the student body, they are vocal and command the support of the student paper, the Cornell Daily Sun. Specific reaction of SJ to the CIA disclosure, except for the attached clipping, remains to be seen, but it seems probable that we are in for some criticism at best.

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