HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Commonwealth of Pennsylvanic Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

MEMORANDUM

| Ву | James | R. | Malley |
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Date April 3, 1974

FILE: Fraternal Order of Police - Harrisburg Lodge

At the request of Mr. Rice, Mr. Hussie checked with Ms. Carol Cochran, Director of the Commission on Charitable Solicitations, to determine whether the Fraternal Order of Police, Harrisburg Lodge, had registered with this agency as a charitable organization.

Ms. Cochran informed Mr. Hussie that this organization has not made any application to be designated as a charitable organization. Ms. Cochran was familiar with the advertisement appearing in the Harrisburg Patriot (copy attached) and her comment was: "By God, they will."





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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HARRISBURG

Colonel James D. Barger
Lt. Colonel Joseph Dussia
Fraternal Order of Police
State Police Civic Association - Operation "Fun"
King of Prussia Case

State Police Civic Association - Possible Destruction of Records

Follow up the possibility that there has been a cover-up to its logical conclusion.

Fraternal Order of Police

Ascertain the details of the Fraternal Order of Police, State Police Lodge, and particularly whether or not counsel fees had been paid from that fund for the King of Prussia defendants.

State Police Civic Association Horses

If Henry Young (Harrisburg Patriot) does not produce names of alleged horse donors in connection with the tax dodge, a demand letter should go forward to Robert Zinsky, Fiscal Officer, Pennsylvania State Police, to obtain a list of horse donors.



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OPERATION "FUN"

Colonel James D. Barger

Lt. Colonel Joseph Dussia King of Prussia Case Fraternal Order of Police

Possible Destruction of Records

On June 27 and 28, 1973 Henry Young advised Messrs. Malley and Rice that his sources reported that there was a full scale meeting of State Police officials on Friday, June 22, that lasted from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at Hershey. This was a meeting of everyone from the rank of Captain up. It was understood that Colonel Barger ran the meeting with Colonel Dussia in attendance.

Young may receive a copy of the minutes or agenda, but said that it was definitely an oral directive to those present to see that all receipt book records at the various troops were promptly destroyed. The inference was that this was a move to cover up against the possibility that this Committee would seek further documentation. Young said that he would make the details of any further information available as it came in.

King of Prussia Case

In regard to the King of Prussia situation with the criminal charges just having been dismissed, Young felt that Shapp-von Moschzisker axis would push for further prosecution. Accordingly, it would be appropriate for this Committee to temporarily suspend hearings on the King of Prussia case.

Young felt that the Committee should push hard, however, to smoke out the real activities of Sergeant Hunt as Hunt bore the reputation of being a wiretapper himself and some thought was framing Kardash and Guyette.

A major point that Young made was that the various lawyers representing the King of Prussia defendants were being paid by the State Police lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police. Young understood that all 4,000 members of the State Police belong to one lodge that is now headed by Cotter at Wilkes-Barre. Young did not know whether or not the FOP was autonomous insofar as the lodges are concerned, or whether there was a central headquarters where financial records might be located.

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Young said that a gimmick engaged in by the State Police Civic Association to generate gifts and control among wealthy people was a tax dodge for horse owners. The scheme is that the owner of a valuable horse—getting along in years (the horse)—will donate the horse to the Civic Association. At an extremely high valuation, this gives the donor a tax write—off at that figure for a contribution. The Civic Association then turns around and delivers the horse to the State Police for \$1.00 as the Civic Association—being a nonprofit organization—has no tax gain or loss. The horse is then presumably available for use in the rodeo.

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| | Date_ | September 25, 1973 |

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Follow the Charity Solicitation Commission for any developments since our July hearings.

