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Thank you.

MR. LLOYD JONES

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I expect the usual attendance at the Committee tomorrow, except that Mr. Reddaway has now replaced Mr. Peck as the FCO representative.

1. STUDENT UNREST

The paper by the Security Service (SH(70)1) reports that anti-apartheid is tending to replace Vietnam as the current protest slogan. Particular objects of attack are the forthcoming South African cricket tour and firms with South African connections. Protests have been made against the recruitment at universities of staff for such firms. This has been accompanied by general agitation about confidential files on students, and particularly their political opinions. Recruitment of "spies" has also come in for an airing, as Sir Burke Trend will know from the recent article in the Black Dwarf.

Sir Burke Trend may like to ask the Home Office and the Security Service for an up-to-date report on the cricket tour prospects and the development of measures to contain demonstrations.

On the question of students' files the DES might be asked to give their assessment of the present situation and the effect of the assurances already given to students. It is difficult to believe that an issue of this sort can sustain interest for very long. There may even be students mercenary enough to accept the preparation of confidential reports on them as an aide to employment.

A further point raised by the paper is the success of the communists in getting a representative on to the NUS Executive Committee, with promising prospects for the future. The Security Service might be asked to expand on this and to assess the implications.

Much of the material in the paper has already appeared in SUBSTUD papers, which have been submitted to the Prime Minister. The Committee may wish to consider whether other Ministers need to be made aware of the paper. A good deal of it is already fairly well known, and further circulation may be unnecessary.

2. THE INDUSTRIAL SITUATION

... The Security Service will make an oral report. Sir Burke Trend may like to see the attached minutes of the last Home Regional Meeting. Future developments in the motor industry will be of particular interest to the Committee - the parity issue is far from settled.

... DEP are to produce a paper for the Home Regional Meeting on the implications of larger groupings of trades unions (see the attached minutes). When this has been considered at a Home Regional meeting, the SH Committee might wish to put it on their agenda.

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Stop the Seventy Tour Committee

The Stop the Seventy Tour Committee held a national conference on 7 March in London in order to co-ordinate its efforts against the South African cricket team, which will arrive in Britain on 1 June.

2. The preliminary reports of this meeting indicate that the London branch of the committee, under Peter HAIN, will act as the co-ordinating body. Four other provincial committees will be responsible for the activity in cricket grounds and elsewhere in the country. It is evident that these four committees, and indeed individual branches, will have a great deal of discretion and autonomy.

3. Four major national demonstrations are planned, the first on 6 June, but it is clear that other demonstrations will be held not only at places where games are being played but also on other occasions in order to secure support for the campaign. The activity at the Rothman professional tennis tournament and plans to disrupt a hockey match being played by a Transvaal side on 16 April in Chatham, and also activity in connection with a badminton tournament to be played at Wembley later this month indicate that the committee will demonstrate on any indication that an identifiable South African team will appear in public.

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