

1503 Sunnyside Drive Cadillac, Michigan 49601 April 26, 1966

President John Hannah Michigan State University East Lansing, Michigan 48823

Dear Mr. Hannah:

It is highly unfortunate that Michigan State University allowed itself to be used as an espionage tool of the Central Intelligence Agency. As an alumni of "State", I deplore the slipshod administration of an aid program which, while helping to set up the police system of a dictator, further lowered the status of this country's University system by acting as a "cover" for spies.

It will be some time before financial donations are made by me to your institution. The poor judgement shown in allowing Michigan State University to become a party to the suppression of the population of Vietnam leaves me with no faith in the University's administration.

sincerely yours

GAYLORD YOST

Rangarts April 29, 1966 Dear Mr. Yost: Thank you for your letter of April 26. I agree with you to the extent that it would be unfortunate if Michigan State University had allowed itself to be used as an espionage tool, but happily, that is not the case. Neither did it act as a cover for spies. For more on this point, may I refer you to my statement to the press on April 22, a copy of which is attached. I hope you will reconsider your judgment of the University's record in the light of the facts. Sincerely, President Mr. Gaylord Yost 1503 Sunnyside Drive Cadillac, Michigan 49601 Enclosure cc: Mr. John R. Kinney