

ANGELA DAVIS BACK TO BRITAIN;
CP BACKS SLAVE LABOR

Dec. 14 (IPS)--Communist Party U.S.A. Central Committee member Angela Davis, whose meteoric rise in the party was partially financed by the Ford Foundation and Chase Manhattan Bank, is rumored to be planning a one-month visit to Britain. Miss Davis' trip immediately follows the opening of a raging CIA-engineered red scare, complete with Parliamentary approval for police and military terror measures.

Neither CPUSA nor Ford Foundation representatives were available to comment on Miss Davis' rumored visit. The Communist Party did, however, inform IPS that they have endorsed and will actively organize for the slave-labor legislation currently before Congress.

According to Jose Ristorucci, recent Communist Party candidate for Governor of New York: "The Hawkins bill is progressive. We want a Hawkins bill for youth." When asked what kinds of jobs the Communist Party would push for, he added: "Not jobs like Jerry Ford says--McDonald's jobs--but jobs in construction skills training in steel, auto, and so on...apprenticeships."

Ristorucci knew nothing about Miss Davis' schedule. Should she return to Britain it is likely that she will make one stop that the CP would not approve of--if they stand behind their new front group, the Committee Against Behavior Control and Human Experimentation. That would be a visit to Tavistock agent R. D. Laing, under whom Angela studied during the summer 1967 Conference on the Dialectics of Liberation, just before her return to the U.S.

ICLC ORGANIZING FORCES ECHEVERRIA TO RELEASE
LABOR COMMITTEE LEADER IN MEXICO CITY

NEW YORK, N.Y., Dec. 14 (IPS)--Carlos De Hoyos Perez, Mexican leader of the Latin American Labor Committees (LALC) and IPS correspondent, was released in Mexico City last night after being kidnapped and illegally held for 59 hours by the Mexican Political Police of the Ministry of the Interior (Gobernacion Federal).

His release unharmed, with only slight bruises, was a result of an international mobilization of the International Caucus of Labor Committees (ICLC) and its supporters that exposed both the political kidnapping and the developments that stood behind it--the attempt of CIA agent and Mexican President Luis Echeverria to assume open police state power. De Hoyos reports that the Political Police were keenly aware that his case could

easily degenerate into a "cause celebre" that would be very damaging to Rockefeller puppet Echeverria's plans. It is normal Mexican police practice to torture leftists during intense questioning; they often are then shot in the back, under "ley fuga," a law that allows police to assassinate political prisoners "trying to escape."

During his questioning, De Hoyos' interrogators threatened him unless he agreed to give up working with the Labor Committees. They repeatedly demanded to know "who was behind LALC." He was detained in a police office and an agents locker room facility and although he was forced at times to wear a hood for "security reasons," De Hoyos was never placed in a cell.

Intense Harassment

De Hoyos' detainment and interrogation comes after a month of intense harassment of LALC organizing by the CIA-directed Mexican "authorities." Shipments to Mexico of the Spanish edition of New Solidarity, Nueva Solidaridad, have been continually illegally confiscated by the Political Police at the Mexico City airport. Meanwhile, the Mexico City LALC office and the residence of several key LALC members were placed under heavy surveillance. On the evening of Dec. 10, a fellow LALC member leaving De Hoyos' residence saw three men jump from a black, late-model sedan and position themselves in front of the building. At latest report, the heavy surveillance of LALC members is continuing unabated following De Hoyos' release.

De Hoyos was kidnapped by the Political Police from near the vicinity of his home in Mexico City Wednesday, Dec. 11, at approximately 12 noon E.S.T. He had left his apartment at 11 a.m. to help start a friend's car, leaving in his t-shirt without his glasses and with his breakfast unfinished. His car was later found parked around the corner, under the surveillance of two unidentified individuals in a late-model turquoise VW.

The Counter-Attack

Within hours after receiving the news of the kidnapping, the Labor Committees had launched a major counter-offensive. A special briefing and news release went out over the telex from the Tele-communications Center here to Labor Committee locals throughout the continent and to the European Labor Committees (ELC) operations center in Wiesbaden, West Germany. Locals were instructed to print up leaflets for distribution and activate worker cell networks to organize calls to Mexican consulates throughout the country. Additionally, the cells were asked to call local press to demand that they cover the story, while petitions calling for De Hoyos' release were circulated by Labor Party members in North America. In the Detroit region alone, more than 70 workers were activated, with 25 of them mobilizing their cell networks.