But what happened to my generation after the election? Was it merely being depressed, knowing that insanity would run our country for another four years? Or was it something else? Many who fought to bring a victory for Kerry in my generation said that they never thought they would get involved in politics. Others dropped out of school to spend a year campaigning on the hustings with Democratic candidates like LaRouche. And some organized large gatherings on their campuses, as at Boston University, where hundreds of people watched John Edwards debate the sociopathic President of Vice.

Where are these young people today? Why didn't they help organize the impeachment of the Administration over the past couple of years? And are they going to allow the vote to go to the Bush Administration this November?

Well, to determine this we must look at what has been happening to our campuses, so that we can know why people have adopted the pre-Hitler phrase in Nazi Germany: "I'm not political," or the version known in Boston as "I'm all set."

Since the end of 2002, there has been a Nazi-Gestapo operation on campuses across America, which has been run by neo-conservatives like Lynne Cheney, Dave Horowitz, Stanley Kurtz, Martin Kramer, David French, and others. They say they want to ensure that there are no "political

idealists" turning campuses into a place for attacking the "War on Terror," and thereby destroying our security. The first major attempt to create legislation to ensure this was launched in early 2003, when Title VI of the 1965 Higher Education Act, which provides funding for area study centers and programs at universities in the United States, came up for renewal.

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The Act itself has been a very important part of keeping our schools running, but HR 3077 (the International Studies in Higher Education Act) was introduced to the Subcommittee on Select Education of the Committee on Education and the Workforce in September, in order to change the function of Title VI. The resolution itself was introduced by Rep. Pete Hoekstra, who is a Republican from the second district of Michigan. He was not the originator of the content of the resolution, though. That came from a leading Fellow at the Hoover Institution and co-creator of Campus Watch, Stanley Kurtz. Kurtz spoke of what he thought needed to be changed in Title VI at a subcommittee hearing on June 19, 2003:

I do not argue that only material that praises American foreign policy should be assigned in programs spon-

ACTA and the FBI On Your Campus

Shortly after the 9/11 attacks, Lynne Cheney's American Council of Trustees and Alumni published a hair-raising report titled "Defending Civilization: How Our Universities Are Failing America and What Can Be Done About It," charging that "academe is the only section of American society that is distinctly divided in its response to the attacks on America." Branding the universities as "the weak link in America's response" to the terrorist attacks of 9/11, ACTA began pressing for a crackdown on university critics of the government's policies.

Soon afterwards, David Horowitz, head of the Center for the Study of Popular Culture and a John Train West Coast asset, funded a 24-year old UCLA graduate, Andrew Jones, to found the Bruin Alumni Association, a rightwing group that offered to pay students to tape-record classes by left-wing professors. Jones went on to publish the "Dirty 30," a list of UCLA professors who were targetted for their left-of-center views. When word of the spyfor-pay scheme got out, Horowitz fired Jones. But in February 2006, Horowitz came out with his own book, *The Professors: The 101 Most Dangerous Academics in*

America. The promo of the book said it all: "Coming to a campus near you: terrorists, racists and communists—you know them as The Professors. Today's radical academics are not the exception—they're legion. And far from being harmless, they spew violent anti-Americanism, preach anti-semitism and cheer on the killing of American soldiers and civilians—all the while collecting tax dollars and tuition fees to indoctrinate our children."

By September 2005, the Lynne Cheney/David Horowitz scare campaign had created the condition for a direct FBI move onto the campuses. On Sept. 15, 2005, FBI Director Robert S. Mueller III announced the formation of the National Security Higher Education Advisory Board, a group of university presidents and chancellors who will work with the FBI to combat espionage and subversion on the campuses. The board was founded to create a direct FBI presence at large universities that get billions of dollars a year in research and development grants from corporations, and are engaged in work with national security implications. Far from being a passive advisory agency, the NSHEAB will be creating an infrastructure for monitoring the activities of students and faculty, under the guise of protecting national security secrets. Already a quasigestapo group, CAUSE (College and University Security Effort) has been established on a number of university campuses, to monitor students and teachers involved in research grants.—Jeffrey Steinberg

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