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18 May 1965

United Secretariat of the Fourth International 21, rue d'Aboukir Paris 2e, France:

Dear Comrades,

It has come to our attention that a World Congress scheduled for this June has been organized by the United Secretariat.

It is our desire to send a representative of the Spartacist group to the Congress in order to appeal the 'Resolution on Robertson Group' of the United Secretariat of April 1964, upholding the Socialist Workers Party's expulsion of members of our group for maintaining ourselves as an oppositional tendency within the SWP. We hereby formally request permission to attend the World Congress for this purpose.

Our representative would not only seek to present our defense, establishing that the expulsions were solely because of our adherance to ideas, and that no violations of democratic-centralism took place on our part, but also to take up the deliberate fraud perpetrated on the world movement in the U. Sec. resolution which used as a justification for the expulsions, the publication of SPARTACIST, an act which followed the expulsions.

Should the permission here requested be granted, we would need notification as to the exact date and place, so that our representative might attend. Should you grant our request, we then further ask that copies of our letter to you of 23 Feb. 1964 and your answering 'Resolution...' be made available to your membership electing delegates to the World Congress.

Fraternally yours,

Harry Turner, for the Spartacist Resident Editorial Board.

New York City Tuesday, 18 May 1965

To all EB members and alternates, local committees and members-at-large:

Dear comrade,

A proposal from the Wohlforth group for joint pre-convention discussion was received today. A copy is either enclosed or presumably has been sent directly from the ACFI.

The Resident Editorial Board will be meeting to consider this matter on Monday, 24 May. Receipt of your opinions or suggestions by that time would be appreciated. Newer members and local committees are urged to familiarize themselves with the background and history of our relations with Wohlforth and Healy.

Comradely,

Jim Robertson