

POLITICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES, No. 50, June 22, 1967

Present: Barnes, Dobbs, Halstead, Hansen, Shaw, Sheppard,  
Jones.

Chairman: Halstead.

AGENDA:

1. Swabeck Letter.
2. International.

1. SWABECK LETTER

Dobbs reported discussion with Sharon about international aspects of Swabeck's June 2 letter to Healy. (See attachment to June 15 Political Committee minutes.)

Motion: (See attached.)

Carried unanimously.

2. INTERNATIONAL

Hansen reported:

(1) Cuba: Report on recent developments there and possible new openings in revolutionary-socialist direction.

Discussion: Halstead, Sheppard, Dobbs, Barnes, Hansen.

(2) Bolivia: Report on exiling of leading Trotskyist. Appeal issued by United Secretariat for an international campaign in behalf of Bolivian movement.

(3) Press Service: Report on initial success of promotion efforts in Britain.

Meeting adjourned.

Motion:

Under date of June 2, 1967, Comrade Arne Swabeck, an advisory member of the National Committee, addressed a letter to G. Healy expressing fraternal solidarity with the Socialist Labor League and attacking policies of the Socialist Workers Party.

His action is a violation of party discipline because it constitutes unauthorized correspondence with a non-party organization.

His action is disloyal to the party because it constitutes fraternization with an opponent organization.

Because of his indisciplined and disloyal conduct the Political Committee recommends that Comrade Swabeck be suspended forthwith from membership in the party.

Article V, Section 3, Paragraph 4 of the Party Constitution states: "Members of the National Committee may be dropped from the Committee and/or from the Party only by vote of the National Convention. Members of the National Committee may, however, for cause be suspended from membership and barred from all rights as members, pending final decision of the Party Convention, by vote of two-thirds of the membership of the National Committee."

In accordance with this Constitutional provision the Political Committee directs the National Secretary to conduct an immediate poll of the National Committee on the Political Committee's recommendation that Comrade Swabeck be suspended forthwith from membership in the party because of his indisciplined and disloyal conduct.

Carried unanimously.

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To All National Committee Members:

Dear Comrades:

Enclosed for your information are copies of the following self-explanatory items:

1. A letter from Arne Swabeck to G. Healy under date of June 2, 1967.
2. A letter from Arne Swabeck to Farrell Dobbs under date of June 5, 1967.
3. A motion adopted by the Political Committee on June 22, 1967, recommending that Comrade Swabeck be suspended from membership in the party because of his indisciplined and disloyal conduct and directing the National Secretary to conduct an immediate poll of the National Committee on the recommendation.

For your convenience a form is attached which may be used in transmitting your vote on the Political Committee recommendation.

Comradely yours,

*Farrell Dobbs*  
Farrell Dobbs  
National Secretary