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UNB Center for Conflict Studies- terrorism, espionage, and ideological warfare...

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The Center for Conflict Studies was established in January 1980 to study "low intensity conflict." This type of conflict includes revolutionary and civil wars, terrorism, propaganda, espionage, and ideological warfare.

The Center's foremost function is to conduct this type of research, and most projects are done on a contract basis. Past sponsors have included: the Department of National Defence, the U.S. Department of Defence, the Canadian Police College and the National Strategy Information Center. About twelve studies have been conducted by the Center during the past five years. The Center retains single copies of most projects. These are available for reading should graduate students or other members of the public wish to view them. The Center houses a technical library of 2000 volumes and 40 specialist periodicals. Though the Center is not a teaching department, the staff and facilities are available to assist graduate students in their research.

Director of the Center, Dr. Tugwell, Deputy Director Dr. Charters and Associate Director Prof. Graham are all Research Associates of the Department of History. Together they publish a scholarly journal, 'Conflict Quarterly', which has worldwide circulation and enjoys readership among policy-makers, military personnel and the general public.

Each year the Center's principals have made approximately 100 media contributions. The majority have been radio interviews but there have also been national television appearances. Speaking engagements have been undertaken, from university campuses to the United Nations to foreign affairs seminars and academic conferences in Canada, Europe, and the USA.

The Conflict Studies Center's latest project deals with "Deception in East-West Relations" and has attracted generous backing. The research will examine the use of deception as an extra tool in

diplomacy, intelligence, and crisis management. Dr. Charters notes, "We are very proud of this, our latest work. The aim is to have a book published in Europe and North America, which will be a 'bestseller'." A successful project of this kind will establish the Center as a source of important new research in the field.

MPHEC says 'no' to student input

by KAYE MACPHEE
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Two representatives of the New Brunswick Students' Alliance des Etudiants (S.A.E.) met with the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission's (MPHEC) finance committee in Prince Edward Island on Wednesday, October 2.

Louise Pelletier, President of the SAE is from the Centre universitaire Saint-Louis-Maillet Edmunston and Mary Laslo, Vice President Finance of the SAE is from Saint Thomas University.

Pelletier and Laslo's primary concern at this, their initial meeting with the Finance Committee, was to make clear to the MPHEC that the SAE insists on student input.

As the MPHEC deals with student loans, bursaries, and university funding, as well as other issues that directly affect students, the SAE's demand is seen by Laslo as a reasonable one. The MPHEC currently accepts proposals from students but there is no formal input. We must have it.

However, according to Laslo, the Finance Committee said they couldn't do anything. Basically they were passing the buck. However, Hatfield has the power to appoint a student

to the Commission. Laslo and Pelletier will be meeting with Premier Hatfield before Christmas and hope to make some headway at that time.

The MPHEC makes recommendations to the provinces as to financial concerns relating to universities. 'New Brunswick has always followed their recommendations but Nova Scotia has not followed any of their recommendations for the last three years.' At this point it is unclear as to whether or not this is a positive thing.

The function of the Commission is to look over the monies received from the federal government. 'The SAE wants a guarantee that all monies allocated to post-secondary education is used for post-secondary education' said Laslo. That is another reason why students must be involved in the decision-making process of the MPHEC.

The purpose of the SAE is to act as a political lobby group; as a medium for the exchange of information between individual student associations; to inform the public of their concerns and objectives; and to co-operate with other provincial and national organizations in support of the broader national goals of maintaining a post-secondary education system.

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Campus Briefs

STU budget a fiasco

A preliminary budget prepared by the St. Thomas Student Union could cut student services by over thirty-five hundred dollars. Service cuts will include two hundred dollars from STU Winter Carnival, 750 dollars from the AQUINIAN, eight hundred dollars from the Photo Committee and three hundred and fifty dollars from CHSR-FM. In addition fifteen hundred dollars in donations to various organizations would be cut. Meanwhile, a review of the budget indicates a twenty-eight hundred dollar increase in Administrative salaries, most of which would go to the Director of Student Affairs. St. Thomas Student Council will meet Oct. 22 to finalize the budget.

Morgantaler negotiations

The UNB Student Union is negotiating with abortionist Doctor Henry Morgantaler in an attempt to have him provide a series of public lectures on November 12 and 13. The Student Union has set aside some \$3,600. in fees and expenses for the lectures. UNB Student Union Vice President Michael Bennett says a final decision on the Morgantaler lectures is expected within a week.

Meanwhile, the Student Union is also attempting to bring a spokesman for the pro-life organization to campus. Those series of lectures could take place in January.

Fredericton citizens upset

Students and private citizens are upset with Fredericton City Council over the commercial zoning of the large wooded lot on the corner of Montgomery and Regent street. Formerly owned by lawyer Francis Atkinson, the tree-filled lot presumably would be levelled to make way for office buildings and stores.

Irate residents of the Montgomery/Regent street area want the lot to remain residential or designated as park land. They will be voicing their opinions at this Tuesday's Fredericton City Council meeting.

On hijacking at sea

Doctor David Charters of UNB's Center for Conflict Studies says a lot more can be done to prevent terrorist hijacking of ships. However, he says that does not mean arming a ship's crew.

He says anti-terrorist commandos must be taught to deal with hijackings at sea in much the same way they are taught to deal with airplane hijackings.

Charters says a ship is much larger than an airplane, moves at a much slower speed, and presents a bigger problem for hijackers to keep track of their passengers.

In the past, most training in anti-terrorism on the high seas has centred around the possible hijacking of oil rigs.

UNB's Center for Conflict Studies is considered a leader in the field of combating terrorism on the high seas. In 1977, the Center conducted training exercises in ship hijackings for the U.S. Coast Guard, but since then the center has had no clients.

UNB Business Administration Society

is pleased to

announce that MR. CEDRIC RITCHIE, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Bank of Nova Scotia and holder of the Order of Canada will speak on "ENTREPRENEURSHIP" Friday, Oct. 18th at 11.30 AM Tilley Hall Room 28

All Students and Faculty Welcome