

The Editor's Note entitled, "CAMPUS SURVEILLANCE HISTORY," which appeared on page 3 of the Winter 1997 issue of the *Quarterly*, was written with the best of intentions and in the interests of increasing literature on RCMP history. The effect, unfortunately, may not have been what it was intended to be.

Details of the operational activities of the RCMP Security Service were, prior to 1984 and since, subject to provisions of the *Official Secrets Act*. The *Act* is currently used to protect certain categories of information and intelligence from public disclosure. Information or intelligence that no longer requires such protection is usually disclosed via a request to CSIS, under the *Access to Information Act*, a procedure well known to historians seeking information on the former RCMP Security Service and other law enforcement agencies.

While we have full confidence in the integrity of former Security Service members, this particular Editor's Note was not and is not to be interpreted as such as the *Quarterly's* endorsement to "tell all" with impunity. — Ed.

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