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FOLLOWING IS THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF THE NSA STATEMENT ON RAMPARTS. A

"IT HAS COME TO OUR ATTENTION THAT THE MARCH ISSUE OF RAMPARTS MAGAZINE WILL INCLUDE A LENGTHY STORY ALLEGING A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF THE NATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION AND THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY. THE OFFICERS OF USNSA FIRST LEARNED OF THE STORY THROUGH MR MICHAEL WOOD, A FORMER EMPLOYEE OF THE ASSOCIATION AND THROUGH DIRECT APPROACHES BY MEMBERS OF THE RAMPARTS' STAFF. AT ONE POINT RAMPARTS OFFERED USNSA ITS MAILING LIST FOR FUND-RAISING PURPOSES IF ITS OFFICERS 'CONDOLED' ITS STORY AND THREATENED 'THE DESTRUCTION OF USNSA' IF ITS OFFICERS FAILED TO DO SO. SINCE THESE INITIAL CONVERSATIONS NUMEROUS PAST EMPLOYEES OF USNSA HAVE BEEN PRESENTED WITH SIMILAR OFFERS. MANY HAVE BEEN ASKED 'TO CLEAR THEMSELVES' OR SUFFER PERSONAL ATTACK IN THE ARTICLE."

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