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Robeson accused of making trouble

WASHINGTON, Wednesday. — Rabbi Benjamin Schultz, of New York, today accused Paul Robeson of taking part in "a Communist conspiracy to inflame racial and religious minorities here against the U.S."—Reuter.

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EXTRACT.

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Extract for File No.: P.F. 44,990. Name ROBESON,
 Original in File No.: S.F. -411-Canada-5. Serial: 10a. Receipt Date: 29.6.49.
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Extract from R.C.M.P. report, H.Q. Ottawa, re David Malcolm YOUNG & other Canadian communists abroad, mentioning ROBESON.

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 Upon the arrival of Paul ROBESON recently, for a five day visit, he was first interviewed by Miss Lucille GIBOGIE. It is understood that the interview was broadcast from Radio Prague shortly afterwards. Apparently ROBESON participated in a huge outdoor rally in Prague on Sunday May 29th, 1949 and the proceeds were to go to the I.U.S., presumably the International Union of Students to assist colonial students to attend the Youth Festival in Budapest. From Prague Robeson was to go to Warsaw then to Moscow and Leningrad before returning to the United States. Just before leaving, ROBESON attended a dinner and sang at the home of President Gottwald.

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22nd June, 1949.

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This information may be passed down to the Commissioner of Police.

Copies of this note have also been forwarded to Their Excellencies the Governors of Jamaica and Trinidad.

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/ Sir Percy Sillitoe.

His Excellency A.W.L. Savage, C.M.G.,
Government House,
Barbados.

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His Excellency Sir John Huggins, K.C.M.G.,
Government House,
Kingston, Jamaica.

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22nd June, 1949.

Dear Sir Marston,

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Please refer to your letter No. 12/94076/1/49 of 26th May, 1949.

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As to the question about a possible visa for Jamaica, we are not in a position to alter the view expressed in our letter of 16th July, 1948 - namely that we would not recommend refusal of a visa for Paul ROBINSON if he were seeking to revisit the United Kingdom.

I am sending copies of the attached note to the Governors of Jamaica, Trinidad and Barbados.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
21.7.49

Sir Marston Logan,
C.S.A., C.A.S.,
Colonial Office.

[Signature]
D.I. Hamblen.

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To: S. I. O. East Africa.
S. I. O. West Africa.
S. I. O. Central Africa.

From: Director-General.

With reference to S. I. O. East Africa's letter OF.1/2(104) of the 6th April 1949, we are enclosing some details about Paul ROBESON's movements in this country between his arrival in February 1949 and his departure for the 9th Czech Communist Conference in Prague at the end of May.

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It is believed that ROBESON was joined in Warsaw by Peter BLACKMAN, mentioned in paragraph 2 of the attached note, and that ROBESON and BLACKMAN travelled together via Prague to Moscow.

Recent press reports show that ROBESON took part in the Pushkin centenary celebrations in Moscow and that he was very well received there.

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Sir Percy Sillitoe.

1 Enclosure.

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