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Re: Commissioner's Brief

According to the 8-1-65 and 12-2-65 issues of the "Toronto Daily Star", a new organization "The Canadian Civil Liberties Association" was recently formed in Toronto, Ontario, which eventually hopes to become national in scope. This organization absorbs the "Association for Civil Liberties" which was in existence for the past 20 years. The Canadian Civil Liberties Association is dedicated to defend, extend and promote respect for fundamental human rights and civil liberties. Irving HIMEL Lawyer, who was the executive-secretary of the Association for Civil Liberties is now chairman of the board of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association.

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2. The president of the organization, J. Keiller MacKAY, former Ontario Supreme Court justice and former Lieutenant governor of Ontario, listed the following rights he believed basic and thought the new organization should defend:

- The right to criticize; to belief and worship; to assembly; to change the government; to property; to association; to be free from interference with home, family or reputation; to courts free from political or executive interference; the right to fair play for the poor as well as the rich, the private citizen as well as the public servant; to trial without undue delay; to question the legality of detention; to freedom from discrimination; to freedom from interference from any organization controlled by any political party.

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