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~~TO DIRECTOR (ATTN: INTID) (155-44292)~~  
~~CHICAGO~~  
~~LOUISVILLE~~  
~~FROM CINCINNATI (150-19745) (P) 2P~~

~~VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VAV) SUBJECTS ORGANIZATION~~  
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Date 12/4/73

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FROM: Director, FBI

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- and Internal Security Section
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SUBJECT:

**VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)**

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UNITED STATE GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 12/4/73

FROM : SAC, CHARLOTTE (100-11256) (P)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE  
WAR/WINTER SOLDIERS ORGANIZATION  
IS - VVAW/ WSO

(CHARLOTTE DIVISION)

Re Bureau letter to Charlotte dated 10/16/73 and  
Charlotte letter to Bureau dated 10/18/73.

For the information of the Bureau, captioned case is  
in a pending status in the Charlotte Division and an active  
investigation being conducted. Charlotte also has pending  
cases of the Jacksonville, N. C., Chapter of VVAW (Charlotte  
file 100-11729) and the Raleigh, N. C., Chapter of the  
VVAW (Charlotte file 100-11666).

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  - (2-100-11256)
  - (1-100-11521) (UNITED WE STAND BOOKSTORE)
  - (1-100-11729) (VVAW-JACKSONVILLE, N. C.)
  - (1-100-11666) (VVAW-RALEIGH, N. C.)
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TO DIRECTOR 100-448092 (ATTN: INTD)

BUTTE 100-9147

CHICAGO 100-50772

MILWAUKEE 100-15674

FROM NEW YORK 100-160644

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO), IS, (OO: CHICAGO)

4/19-95 SP465

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RE BUTTE NITEL TO BUREAU, ET AL, DATED 11/21/73;  
NEW YORK NITEL TO BUREAU, ET AL, DATED 11/27/73; AND MILWAUKEE  
NITEL TO BUREAU, ET AL, DATED 12/3/73.

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62.6D **[REDACTED]** OTED **[REDACTED]** TROUPE WAS IN NEW YORK CITY 11/24 - 26/73, DURING WHICH TIME **[REDACTED]** GAVE NO INDICATION

OF A RETURN TO NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK SOURCES **[REDACTED]** APPEARANCE OF **[REDACTED]** MUSICIANS IN NEW YORK CITY.

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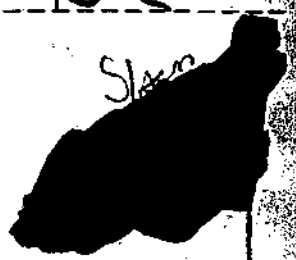
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)  
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-31431)  
RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST  
THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
IS - VVAW/WSO



Re Bureau letters dated 10/4/73 and 10/16/73.

The Cleveland Office wishes to express its appreciation for the valuable data set forth in referenced Bureau letter of 10/4/73. This resume of current tendencies within the national leadership of captioned organization provides an excellent overall view of current trends within the VVAW which are not readily apparent to individual field offices having limited VVAW activity. The Bureau may be assured that Cleveland is pursuing its investigation of the VVAW/WSO in this division particularly with the view of developing member informants in this organization.

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For the information of the Bureau, Cleveland has reviewed the entire VVAW situation within this division and the following overview represents the results of this analysis.

The only chapter of VVAW/WSO known to exist within the Cleveland Division is located at Kent State University (KSU), Kent, Ohio. This organization originally functioned under the leadership of one [redacted] a militant radical with Maoist leanings. [redacted] leadership was ultimately rejected and he left the KSU campus. More recently the KSU chapter of VVAW has tended to merge with the Joe

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Hill Collective, which can best be characterized as the remnants of an independent SDS chapter at KSU. In light of the relative inactivity of both the Joe Hill Collective and VVAW chapter at KSU, the identities of the two organizations tend to be obscure and it is now difficult to distinguish between the two.

b7C Information has recently been received that [redacted] is attempting to initiate a chapter of VVAW in Akron, Ohio. To date, however, no source in a position to know has been able to confirm the existence of an Akron VVAW unit. Confidential sources at Akron University have advised that the VVAW chapter which previously functioned on that campus is now totally defunct and they are unaware of the emergence of any new group on the Akron University campus which can be identified with the VVAW.

b7C Referenced Bureau letter of 10/16/73 refers to VVAW/WSO regional, chapter and individual listings dated 4/5/73 and 9/8/73 wherein the KSU VVAW is mentioned as well as [redacted] and [redacted]. It is noted that all of these individuals are the subject of individual case files in the Cleveland Office and that [redacted] (Bufile 100-475472) is currently included on the ADEK.

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TO DIRECTOR (ATTN: INTD) (100-44892)

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FROM CINCINNATI (100-19743) (P) 2P

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER'S ORGANIZATION:  
INTERNAL SECURITY.

A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION

IN THE PAST, ADVISED ON [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], REGIONAL COORDINATOR OF VVAW/WSO  
IN [REDACTED] WHO RESIDES [REDACTED] ADVISE  
SOURCE THAT HE WAS DEPARTING ON [REDACTED], FOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] OF VVAW/WSO NATIONAL  
OFFICE IN [REDACTED] SOURCE UNABLE TO FURNISH MODE OR  
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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092) (ATTN.: INTD.)

CINCINNATI (100-19743)

FROM CHICAGO (100-58772) (P) 2P

VIET NAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO). IS - VVAW/WSO. OO: CHICAGO.

ON INSTANT DATE A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED VVAW/WSO HAS CONFIRMED SCHEDULED NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM) TO BE HELD AT ANTIOCH COLLEGE, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, DECEMBER 27-31, 1973. DELEGATES DESIGNATED TO ATTEND WILL BE REQUESTED TO ARRIVE AT ANTIOCH COLLEGE ON 12-26-73 IN ORDER THAT MEETINGS CAN COMMENCE ON 12-27-73. ATTENDEES WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY \$10 WHEN REGISTERING, WHICH WILL ENTITLE THEM TO FOOD AND LODGING DURING THE DURATION OF NSCM. ATTENDEES WILL HOUSED IN DORMITORIES ON ANTIOCH COLLEGE CAMPUS SINCE ANTIOCH COLLEGE STUDENTS WILL BE HOME ON CHRISTMAS VACATION. AGENDA FOR NSCM HAS NOT BEEN FINALIZED TO DATE, HOWEVER, SEVERAL NATIONAL COORDINATORS WILL BE ELECTED AND SEVERAL NAMES WILL SUBMITTED FOR NOMINATION TO POSITION OF NATIONAL COORDINATOR. NAMES PLACED IN NOMINATION FOR NATIONAL COORDINATOR WILL BE

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SOURCE IS [REDACTED]. BY SEPERATE AIRTELL THIS DATE CHICAGO IS FURNISHING PERTINENT INFORMATION TO OFFICES WHICH HAVE VVAW/ WSO CHAPTERS WITHIN THEIR DIVISIONS. IN THE EVENT FIELD OFFICES HAVE CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES IN A POSITION TO ATTEND THE NSCM, THEY ARE BEING INSTRUCTED TO OBTAIN BUREAU AUTHORITY AND COORDINATE APPROPRIATE DETAILS WITH CINCINNATI OFFICE.

CHICAGO FOLLOWING CLOSELY AND WILL FURNISH BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES WITH ANY ADDITIONAL PERTINENT DETAILS DEVELOPED.  
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Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 12/4/73

This concerns information received [redacted] that [redacted], Regional Coordinator VVAW/WSO in Cincinnati advised he and [redacted] VVAW/WSO national office member, would [redacted]

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[redacted] source unaware of [redacted]

This information has been disseminated to Department of State, CIA, White House and Attorney General by teletype and Internal Security and General Crimes Sections by messenger. Legat, [redacted] advised by cable.

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Date: 12/5/73

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-50772) (P)  
SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER  
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Re Newark airtel dated 11/23/73.

Chicago indices negative concerning individuals named in referenced airtel.

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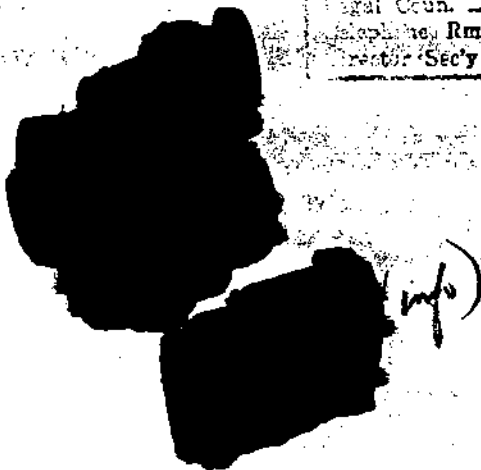
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NEWARK

NEW YORK (100-160644)

BUFFALO (100-21623)

FROM ALBANY (100-22519) 2P



VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAW)/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (WSO), IS - VVAW/WSO.

ON 12/6/73, A FIRST CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IN A POSITION TO KNOW ADVISED THE ABOVE VVAW RESERVED THE STUDENT UNION MEETING ROOMS C AND D AT STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK (SUNY), ONEONTA, NEW YORK FROM 9:00 AM, 12/8/73, TO 12:00 NOON, 12/9/73.

ON 12/6/73, A SECOND CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED HE HAS RECEIVED NO INFORMATION RELATIVE TO A MEETING AT THE SUNY ONEONTA BY THE VVAW ON DATES 12/7-9/73.

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ON 12/7/73, A THIRD CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IN A POSITION TO KNOW ADVISED HE WILL BE IN A POSITION TO DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS ATTENDING ABOVE MEETING AT ONEONTA AND HE WILL BE ABLE TO FURNISH INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE VVAW DURING THAT PERIOD OF TIME.

ON 12/7/73, SECOND CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT TO HIS KNOWLEDGE NO ONE FROM THE ALBANY, SCHENECTADY OR TROY, NEW YORK AREA WAS ATTENDING THE VVAW REGIONAL CONFERENCE.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE BUFFALO NITEL TO BUREAU, 12/5/73.

FIRST CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IS SECURITY [REDACTED] b7C  
SUNY, ONEONTA, SECURITY POLICEMAN;

SECOND CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IS [REDACTED] b2, b7D

THIRD CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IS [REDACTED]  
OF SECURITY, SUNY, ONEONTA.

ALBANY WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH SOURCES REGARDING ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION CONCERNING THE VVAW REGIONAL CONFERENCE.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) (ATTN: INTD)

SAC, BUFFALO (100-21623)

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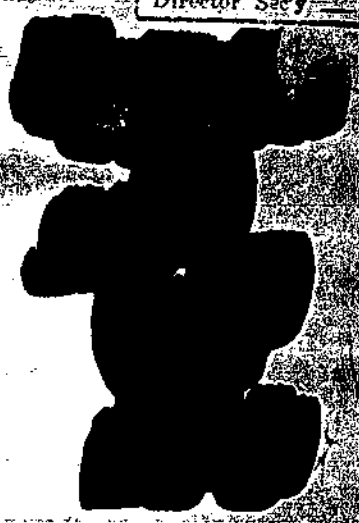
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FROM SAC, ALBANY (100-22519) (P) 3 PAGES

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAW) / WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (WSO), IS - VVAW/WSO.

ON 12/10/73, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IN A POSITION TO KNOW ADVISED CAPTIONED GROUP CONDUCTED MEETINGS AS PLANNED 9:00 AM TO 7:00 PM ON 12/8/73 AND 12/9/73, IN MEETING ROOMS C AND D OF THE STUDENT UNION AT THE STATE UNIVERSITY  
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OF NEW YORK, ONEONTA, NEW YORK. SOURCE STATED ALTHOUGH TWENTY TO THIRTY INDIVIDUALS WERE EXPECTED AT THE MEETINGS, ONLY TWELVE TO FIFTEEN INDIVIDUALS WERE ACTUALLY IN ATTENDANCE. ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MEETINGS AND BILLS RESULTING FROM SUCH WERE DESIGNATED TO CHARLES SMITH, BOX 77, ONEONTA, NEW YORK. SOURCE STATED HE WAS UNABLE TO PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION AS TO PARTICULAR WHO WAS IN ATTENDANCE, WHAT THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETINGS WERE, AND WHETHER ANY LITERATURE REGARDING THE MEETINGS WERE AVAILABLE. SOURCE STATED THAT ALL INDIVIDUALS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE MEETING HAVE SINCE LEFT ONEONTA, NEW YORK. SOURCE ADVISED THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES WERE DEFINITELY DRIVEN BY SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE:

A TAN FORD VAN, NEW YORK LICENSE 2506JZ;

BLUE AND WHITE VOLKSWAGEN VAN, MICHIGAN LICENSE KCR169;

SOURCE ADVISED THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES WERE QUITE POSSIBLY DRIVEN BY OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

NEW YORK LICENSE 889MQX;

BROWN OLDSMOBILE CUTLASS, NEW YORK LICENSE 562QTU;

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A GREEN PLYMOUTH, PENNSYLVANIA LICENSE OY3739;

A TOYOTA, TEXAS LICENSE RWY335.

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA:

b7c RE ALBANY NITEL TO BUREAU DATED 12/7/73.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SECURITY, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK, ONEONTA, NEW YORK.

ALBANY WILL IDENTIFY OWNERS OF NEW YORK VEHICLES AFORE-  
MENTIONED.

DETROIT, SAN ANTONIA, AND PHILADELPHIA WILL IDENTIFY OWNERS  
OF THE REGISTRATIONS FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE DIVISIONS.

BUFFALO WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE THROUGH [REDACTED] b2. b7D  
IDENTITIES OF INDIVIDUALS DRIVING AFOREMENTIONED VEHICLES.

ALBANY WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH SOURCE.

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Date: 12/10/73

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)  
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-50772) (P)  
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IS- VVAW/WSO  
OO: CHICAGO

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Re Chicago teletype to Bureau and Cincinnati dated 12/10/73 and captioned as above.

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- 2 - Albuquerque (100-3808) (RM)
- 2 - Alexandria (100-670) (RM)
- 2 - Anchorage (100-2553) (RM)
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Special Agent in Charge

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On 12/10/73, [REDACTED], who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised the VVAW/WSO has scheduled the National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM) for Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, during 12/27-31/73. Delegates designated to attend will be requested to arrive at Antioch College on 12/26/73 in order that meetings can commence on 12/27/73. Attendees will be required to pay \$10 when registering, which entitles these individuals to food and lodging during the duration of the NSCM. Attendees will be housed in the dormitory located on the Antioch College Campus. These dormitories will be available since Antioch College students will be currently home on Christmas vacation. The agenda for the NSCM has not been finalized to date, however, several persons will be elected as VVAW/WSO National Coordinators and several new names will be submitted for nomination as National Coordinators. The names submitted for nomination will be voted upon during the next NSCM. (S) u

Offices with confidential sources in a position to attend the NSCM should request Bureau approval and coordinate pertinent details with the Cincinnati Office. (S) u

Chicago continues to follow this matter closely and will furnish the Bureau and interested offices any additional pertinent information.

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# Memorandum

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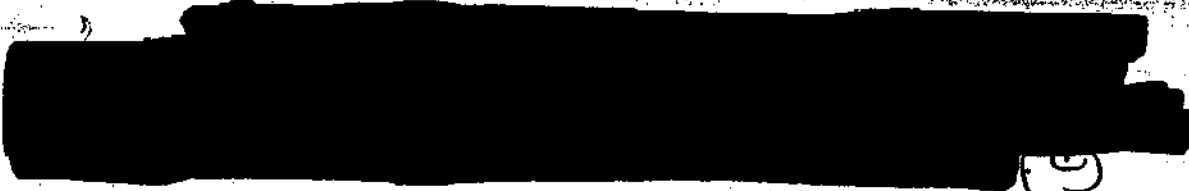
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FROM : LEGAT, TOKYO

SUBJECT: PACIFIC COUNSELING SERVICE (PCS)  
IS - RA  
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TOKfile 100-731 (P)

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAW)  
IS - RA  
BUfile 100-448092  
TOKfile 100-1005 (P)

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD (NLG)  
IS - C  
BUfile 100-7321  
TOKfile 105-5874 (P)



It is noted that the [redacted] mentioned in enclosed report may be identical with [redacted] of same address, listed in the Extremist Photograph Album.

For information of recipients, during the past year, dissident activity among Americans in Japan has centered in three principal organizations, Pacific Counseling Service (PCS), Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) [redacted]. These three U.S. based organizations all have full-time civilian activities in Japan to further their avowed goal of disrupting U. S. military functions, primarily by subverting U. S. military personnel and discrediting the U. S. Government both at home and abroad.

↑ NLG vs. AG, 77 Civ. 999 (USDC, SDNY)

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PCS, VVAW and NLG operate here much like a can of worms - they share office and living space, have joint meetings and work together on publications. It is ~~not~~ difficult to separate the activities by organizations. *MOOT per [redacted]*

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They presently operate five centers - New Peoples Center at Yokosuka, People's House, United Front and Women's House on Okinawa, and Semper Fi House at Iwakuni, all near concentrations of U. S. military facilities. [redacted] (The Japan Peace for Vietnam Committee) has worked with PCS, VVAW and NLG in Japan, as have other Japanese radical organizations, from time to time.

PCS, VVAW [redacted] Black Panther Party and Marxist literature, as well as a wide variety of publications by U. S. radical and extremist groups condemning "U. S. imperialism" and designed to undermine military morale.

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# Memorandum

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE:

*[Handwritten signature]*  
FROM

SAC, NEW ORLEANS (100-19044) (P)

SUBJECT:

VIETNAM VETERAN AGAINST THE  
WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
IS - VVAW/WSO

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DATE 4-19

Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau dated 11,

Referenced Los Angeles airtel indicated Louisiana license 281B128 on a late model Volkswagen appeared in the immediate vicinity of the site of a conference of the VVAW in Long Beach, California, on

That license, as shown in the motor vehicle of the Louisiana Department of Public Safety in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, is registered on a 1965 two-door, red Volkswagen sedan, to [redacted]

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[redacted] Louisiana. [redacted] is further identified as [redacted] Louisiana driver's license number [redacted] and Social Security Account Number [redacted]. That vehicle was bought as a used car on 11/3/71 from Toyota of Jefferson, 2 Causeway Boulevard, Metairie, Louisiana.

The computerized vehicle registration records of the Louisiana State Police (LSP) confirmed that same registration data, but furnished an alternate address for 205 1/2 South Olympia in New Orleans.

The computerized Driver's License Division of the LSP show Louisiana driver's license [redacted] assigned to [redacted] Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, who applied for a license on 3/27/72. He was further identified as a white male, born [redacted] eyes, [redacted] hair.

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- 2 - New Orleans

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b7C The New Orleans city directory for 1973 showed [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] New Orleans, Louisiana, telephone 488-[REDACTED], and that he is employed as a [REDACTED] with [REDACTED]

New Orleans indices were negative on [REDACTED] b7C

New Orleans notes that VVAW has been defunct as a member organization in this area since Spring of 1973. Therefore, no additional investigation is being undertaken on [REDACTED] at this time. b7C

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/13/73

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND [REDACTED] (C) **X**

SUBJECT: ~~TED JOY~~  
SECURITY MATTER - VVAW

[REDACTED] (C)

On February 16, 1973, faculty and staff members at Kent State University (KSU) received a letter from the Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) Chapter at KSU. This letter was soliciting any information concerning contacts made by police departments or the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) with faculty and staff members and information concerning surveillance activities by police departments or the FBI in the Kent area. The letter bore the names [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

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On March 2, 1973, [REDACTED] Clerk, Kent, Ohio Police Department and [REDACTED] Deputy Sheriff, Portage County Sheriff's Office, Ravenna, Ohio, both advised that they could locate no record identifiable with [REDACTED] in the files of their departments.

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On April 11, 1973, [REDACTED] Akron Credit Bureau, Incorporated, advised that he could locate no record identifiable with subject.

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On April 11, 1973, [REDACTED] Associate Registrar, KSU, advised that she could locate no record of subject ever having been a student at KSU.

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On April 13, 1973, [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that the name of subject was completely unfamiliar to him.

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On June 25, 1973, [redacted] advised that subject was completely unfamiliar. However, he stated that he would attempt to develop any possible information concerning this person.

On June 26, 1973, [redacted] Security Officer, KSU, advised that Detective [redacted] of his department was checking on [redacted]. He did not know the results of that investigation and [redacted] was not then available. He did know, however, that [redacted] was a free-lance writer, and had written an article concerning police surveillance, apparently with a New Left slant, which supposedly appeared "New Republic", a publication about which he could furnish no information whatever. [redacted] had been living in Kent for a short time, but his current whereabouts are completely unknown. [redacted] in the writing of the article, had gone to the extent of traveling to Michigan to inquire about former Chief of Police FYKE, of the KSU Police Department.

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On August 23, 1973, Detective [redacted] Security Officer, KSU, advised his department has never been able to develop any information concerning [redacted] other than that set forth above. He is apparently no longer in the Kent area, but where he is, is not known.

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On October 26, 1973, [redacted] advised subject is not known to him.

On October 30, 1973, Detective [redacted] Kent, Ohio Police Department advised that the intelligence files of his department contain no information identifiable with subject.

On October 30, 1973, Detective [redacted] supra, advised that his department has been able to develop no further information whatever concerning [redacted]. He advised that the department is conducting no further investigation concerning [redacted] as he is apparently no longer in the area, and while in Kent, never engaged in any New Left activity other than working on one article concerning surveillance.

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On December 3, 1973, [REDACTED] advised that he has made extensive inquiries in the Kent, Ohio area concerning subject, and has never been able to obtain any information whatever concerning him or his whereabouts.

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Logical investigation concerning [REDACTED] in the Kent area has been completed. No information whatever has been received to indicate that subject is or ever has been a part of the New Left, has taken any part in subversive activities or has a propensity for violence. Due to the fact that [REDACTED] contact with the New Left is apparently minimal and what contact there has been was only on the basis of his profession as a writer, it is felt that interview of [REDACTED] could result in no positive result, and could conceivably result in publicity which would be of an adverse nature for the FBI. Due to these facts, no interview is being considered concerning [REDACTED] and this case is being closed in the Cleveland Division. No information concerning [REDACTED] has been disseminated outside the FBI.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

ATTN: INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

ALBANY (100-22519)

HOUSTON

FROM SAN ANTONIO (100-12620-SUB 1)



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ZATION (WSO). IS - VVAW/WSO.

RE ALBANY NITEL, 12-10-73. EX-112

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RECORDS OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION, TEXAS HIGHWAY DEPART-  
MENT, AUSTIN, TEXAS, CONTAINED INFORMATION THAT 1973 TEXAS LICENSE  
RWY-335 IS FOR A 1973 CONCORD MOTOR HOME.

SEARCHES ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ABOVE LICENSE FAILED TO DISCLOSE  
A TOYOTA BEARING TEXAS LICENSE OF SIMILAR NUMBER.

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SA 100-12620-SUB 1

1973 TEXAS LICENSE BEARING A PREFIX RWY ARE LOCATED IN HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS, COVERED BY THE HOUSTON DIVISION.

FOR INFORMATION HOUSTON, ABOVE VEHICLE WAS DRIVEN BY SOMEONE WHO ATTENDED A VVAW MEETING HELD AT STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK, ONEONTA, NEW YORK, 12-8 & 9-73.

HOUSTON AT HOUSTON: WILL DETERMINE IF ANY KNOWN MEMBERS OF VVAW/WSO IN HOUSTON DIVISION POSSESS A TOYOTA VEHICLE AND MAY HAVE BEEN IN ONEONTA, NEW YORK.

ALBANY RECHECK SOURCES TO DETERMINE IF ERROR COULD HAVE BEEN MADE IN LICENSE PLATE.

SAN ANTONIO WILL AWAIT RESULTS OF ALBANY CONTACT.

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cc: [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO: *H/A* DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)  
FROM: SAC, TAMPA (100-2514) (P)

DATE: 12/17/73

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SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/SWO)  
IS - VVAW/WSO  
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Enclosed for the Bureau and other offices is a two page letter from the Cincinnati VVAW office and a one page agenda for the Antioch NSCM. This information was received by the Tampa VVAW Office and furnished by

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Tampa will follow and furnish further information on NSCM as received.

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Vietnam Veterans Against the War  
Winter Soldier Organization

P.O. Box 1930  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45229

December 3, 1973

Dear Brothers and Sisters;

This is the second letter about the National Steering Committee meeting scheduled for Yellow Springs, Ohio (Antioch College) December 27-31. Please let us know if you did not get the first mailing.

Yellow Springs can be reached from I-70 or, by a slightly more roundabout route, from I-75. In either case it is about half an hour away from Dayton. Maps of the area will be included with the next (and last) mailing about the meeting.

We will be staying in a college dormitory--with beds. Childcare will also take place there. People bringing children are urged to let us know ahead of time how many children they are bringing and the ages of these children so that we can make final preparations.

People planning to use transportation other than car can get to Dayton by bus, train, or plane. We will arrange transportation from any of the various stations if we know your schedule ahead of time. That information may be sent here, or to Dayton VVAW/WSO (P.O. Box 1625, Dayton, Ohio 45401).

Enclosed is the tentative agenda for the meeting; most of the items come from the minutes of the last steering committee meeting. Please note that round-robin reports should be printed so that they can be given to the delegates; oral reports (brief) should cover only the strengths and weaknesses of the region. Additions to the agenda should be sent here as soon as possible; the same is true of suggestions for additional workshops. We hope that delegates will have some idea of what workshops they want to attend so that we can get a reading at the beginning of the meeting, plan the schedule for workshops, and drop those in which there is no interest.

Written round-robin reports specifically should cover GI work, outreach to women in the region, IndoChina Solidarity Week, Gainesville actions, and work around prison support (all of these are from the minutes of the St Louis Meeting).

Typewriters, mimeographs, etc will be available; please bring stenographers (either A.B. Dick or Gestettner) and 2 reams of paper/region.

The \$10/delegate registration fee will be collected before the opening meeting, but once again we ask that you try to pre-register and pre-pay--though we may be imperialists, we are poor imperialists, and small items (such as food) need to be purchased in advance.

We're looking forward to seeing you and struggling together (and most probably, with each other too).

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Solidarity,

Pete Zastrow, for the  
Regional Office

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A few additional notes: HAWKENT TOWIADOL PHAETREY HARTREIV  
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The phone number at Antioch is 767-7331 (area code 513); this is the college switchboard which will transfer calls to us at either the dorm or at the meeting hall.

A note of thanks to Alabama which sent pre-registration funds.

If you have entertainment talents (or even if you don't but think you do), bring along the necessary props (guitars, tubas, etc) to help out with New Years Eve.

If you have questions or comments about the letter or the agenda which require telephoning, I will be out of the country until Dec. 12th. Calls can be directed to Bob Moore of the regional office (513-651-4037) or to Dayton VVAW/WSO (513-274-3171).

That's all; let us hear from you.

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TENTATIVE AGENDA, ANTI-H NSCM

Thursday, 27 December: Pre-registration

Friday, 28 December: Meeting begins, 9 AM

1. Announcements, mechanics of the meeting, general bullshit which needs to be taken care of.
2. Discussion of agenda; proxies or whatever other items need to be covered before voting can take place.
3. Reports:
  - a. Regional round robin: written reports will be provided by all regions to all regions; the oral report will deal with the strengths and weaknesses of the region.
  - b. National Office reports
  - c. NOSCAM report
  - d. Operation County Fair Report
4. Old business
  - a. Affiliation with NCUAA-
  - b. Alternate service proposal for national coordinators
  - c. Election of National Coordinators
    - 1) Two coordinators to be elected for one-year terms
    - 2) One coordinator to be extended until April
    - 3) One coordinator to be elected to an 8-month term [?]
  - d. Proposal to endorse "In From the Cold"
5. Report from the Moscow World Peace Council
6. Report from Paris
7. Presentation from the Wounded Knee Defense Committee

Saturday, 29 December ; Workshops.

1. Childcare
2. Death Drugs
3. Prisons (prison objective)
4. Women (revision of objective 8)
5. Winter Soldier
6. Nature of a mass organization
7. Amnesty
8. Discharge upgrading
9. Objectives
10. Gary Lawton trial
11. National Defense Committee
12. Festival of Learning
13. GI Organizing
14. Organizing among workers
15. Organization of NSC meetings
16. Defunct regions; voting at NSC meetings

[We propose to ask people at registration which three or four workshops they would like to attend--we will arrange them as best as possible to accommodate that, and will drop those workshops in which there is little or no interest.]

Sunday, 30 December

(Continuation of workshops)

1. New Business
  - a. Workshop reports
  - b. Proposal for revision of Operation County Fair proposal
  - c. Nominations for national office
  - d. Selection of time and place for NSCM

Monday, 31 December

Continuation of new business; observance of incoming year.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-476527)

December 4, 1973

SAC, MILWAUKEE (100-20941) (C)

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[REDACTED] aka,  
SM - VVAW/WSO

(OO: MILWAUKEE)

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Re Milwaukee summary report of SA [REDACTED]  
dated 8/13/73;  
Milwaukee letter to Bureau dated 11/13/73  
entitled, "VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER  
ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO); IS." b2.b7D

On November 16, 1973, [REDACTED] advised that the  
subject has not attended or been seen at any Milwaukee,  
Wisconsin VVAW/WSO functions since last spring.

No recommendation is being made to include the  
subject on ADEX as his activities do not warrant such  
inclusion.

Milwaukee is not contemplating interview of the  
subject as [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] he would  
not be reliable as source potential; and any interview of  
the subject could possibly compromise existing source cov-  
erage within the VVAW and could possibly hinder any fur-  
ther recruitment of sources into this organization.

In view of the above, that the subject has been  
identified and is not currently active in VVAW/WSO and  
that all investigation has been completed and a report  
submitted, it is recommended this matter be closed.

- 3 - BUREAU (RM)
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TO DIRECTOR [REDACTED] (100-448092)

CINCINNATI (100-19743)

FROM CHICAGO [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ATTEND NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE

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(NSC) MEETING, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, 12/27-31/73, AS REPRESENTATIVE

OF [REDACTED] REGION OF VVAW/WSO.

IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING COVERAGE OF NSC MEETING, BY MAKING  
TRIP SOURCE WOULD ENHANCE HIS POSITION WITH VVAW/WSO AND INCREASE  
POTENTIAL FOR ADDITIONAL [REDACTED] COVERAGE IN FUTURE.

BUREAU REQUESTED TO AUTHORIZE TRIP INCLUDING ADVANCE TO [REDACTED]

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INFORMANT OF \$220 FOR FOLLOWING EXPENSES:

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MEALS \$20 [REDACTED]

TO [REDACTED] \$20

IF APPROVAL GRANTED, [REDACTED] COORDINATE WITH CINCINNATI.

SOURCE WILL BE PROMPTLY DEBRIEFED UPON RETURN TO [REDACTED]

STRICT ACCOUNTING TO ACTUAL EXPENSES WILL BE OBTAINED.

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1 - Mr. [redacted]  
1 - Mr. [redacted]

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12/13/73

To: SACs [redacted]  
Cincinnati

From: Director, FBI (100-448092) - 337

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO) NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, ANTIOCH,  
OHIO, 12/26-31/73.  
IS - VVAW/WSO

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Re [redacted] airtel dated 12/10/73. b2, b7D

Authority granted to advance [redacted] for expenses to travel to Antioch, Ohio, to attend captioned meeting. Insure exact accounting of expenses is obtained.

Cincinnati advise [redacted] by which informant can contact Cincinnati Office should the need arise and consistent with his security.

Upon informant's return to [redacted] should be expeditiously debriefed and the results submitted in summary form to FBIHQ and interested offices by teletype. Thereafter, the complete results of this debriefing should be submitted Cincinnati by FD-306 in accordance with SAC letter 72-3(C), which sets forth instructions for reporting results of conferences such as this.

1 - [redacted] (6221 - IB)  
1 - [redacted]  
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NOTE: Our investigation of the VVAW/WSO has disclosed a continuing leftward drift in view of the Marxist-Leninist orientation of VVAW/WSO leaders. This situation has caused some factionalism within the group, and it was anticipated the matter would be brought to a head at the last National Steering Committee Meeting held in August, 1973, in St. Louis. This confrontation failed to materialize, but there was indication the matter would be resolved at captioned Conference.

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Airtel to SACs, [redacted] Cincinnati  
Re: Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization  
(VVAW/WSO) National Steering Committee Meeting, Antioch,  
Ohio, 12/26-31/73  
100-449092

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[redacted]

Informant is paid up to \$225 per month for services and \$50 per month for expenses. [redacted] has requested authority to advance him \$208.28 for expenses as follows:

Transportation [redacted]  
Lodging [redacted]  
Meals 30.00

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Expenses appear reasonable and justified. This is the first informant approved to attend this conference.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 12/19/73

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-51647)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR  
(VVAW)/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(WSO)  
IS-VVAW/WSO

Re Albany nitel to Director, 12/10/73.

Enclosed for Pittsburgh is one copy of referenced nitel which is self-explanatory.

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Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Harrisburg, Pa., advised 12/12/73 in response to a check caused by SA [redacted] that Pennsylvania license OY3 739 is listed to [redacted] 12th Street, Erie, Pa., 16505, on a 1971 Plymouth, VIN PH29G1D259651.

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### LEADS

PITTSBURGH  
AT ERIE, PA.

Will conduct appropriate investigation.

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- 2 - Bureau (100-448092) (RM)
- 2 - New York (100-16044) (RM)
- 2 - Pittsburgh (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 1 - Philadelphia (100-51647)

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12/20/73

TO SACS, [REDACTED] (100-19748)  
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448082) - 3577

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]  
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, 12/26-31/73, IS - VVAW/WSO.

[REDACTED]

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AUTHORITY GRANTED TO ADVANCE [REDACTED] UP TO \$220 FOR EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH HIS ATTENDANCE AT CAPTIONED MEETING. INSURE EXACT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES IS OBTAINED.

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CINCINNATI ADVISE [REDACTED] BY WHICH INFORMANT CAN CONTACT THE CINCINNATI OFFICE SHOULD THE NEED ARISE AND CONSISTENT WITH HIS SECURITY.

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UPON INFORMANT'S RETURN [REDACTED] SHOULD BE EXPEDITIOUSLY DEBRIEFED AND RESULTS SUBMITTED IN SUMMARY FORM TO FBIHQ AND INTERESTED OFFICES. THEREAFTER, COMPLETE RESULTS OF DEBRIEFING SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO CINCINNATI BY FD-306 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAC LETTER 72-3 (C), WHICH SETS FORTH INSTRUCTIONS FOR REPORTING RESULTS OF SUCH CONFERENCES.

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ASST. DIR. (6221-IB) [REDACTED]

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Teletype to SAC [redacted] et al.  
Re: Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier  
Organization (VVAW/WSO)  
100-448092

NOTE:

Investigation of VVAW/WSO has disclosed a continuing leftward drift caused by Marxist-Leninist orientation of VVAW/WSO leaders. This situation has caused some factionalism within the organization and while there was no action taken on this question at the last NSC meeting in August, 1973, there was some indication a confrontation concerning it would take place at captioned conference.

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[redacted] should be in a position to provide valuable coverage. The informant is currently authorized to be paid up to \$250 per month for services and up to [redacted] [redacted] has requested \$220 for anticipated expenses including: meals \$20, [redacted]

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[redacted] In view of the length of the conference and the coverage the informant would be in a position to afford these expenses appear reasonable and justified. This is [redacted] [redacted] to attend the conference.

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1 - Mr. [redacted]  
1 - Mr. [redacted]

TO: SACs, [redacted]  
CINCINNATI (100-19743)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, 12/26 - 31/73; IS - VVAW/WSO.

DATED [redacted]

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AUTHORITY GRANTED TO ADVANCE [redacted] UP TO \$195 FOR EXPENSES TO TRAVEL TO YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO TO ATTEND CAPTIONED MEETING. INSURE EXACT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES IS ATTAINED.

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CINCINNATI ADVISE [redacted] BY WHICH INFORMANT CAN CONTACT CINCINNATI OFFICE SHOULD NEED ARISE CONSISTENT WITH SECURITY.

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UPON INFORMANT'S RETURN [redacted] SHOULD BE EXPEDITIOUSLY DEBRIEFED AND RESULTS SUBMITTED IN SUMMARY FORM TO FBIHQ AND INTERESTED OFFICES BY TELETYPE. THEREAFTER, COMPLETE RESULTS OF DEBRIEFING SHOULD BE SUBMITTED CINCINNATI BY FD-306 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAC LETTER 72-3 (C), WHICH SETS FORTH INSTRUCTIONS FOR REPORTING RESULTS OF SUCH CONFERENCES.

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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1 - Chicago (100-50772) (Airmail)

1 - Mr. [redacted] (6221 IB)

1 - [redacted] *b7D*

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TELETYPE TO [REDACTED] AND CINCINNATI  
RE: VVAW/WSO NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE  
MEETING, 12/26 - 31/73, YELLOW  
SPRINGS, OHIO  
100-448092

NOTE:

Investigation of VVAW/WSO has disclosed a continuing leftward drift caused by Marxist-Leninist orientation of VVAW/WSO leaders. This situation has caused some factionalism within the group. No action was taken on the problem at the last National Steering Committee meeting in August, 1973, but indications were there would be a confrontation at captioned meeting. In view of this situation and plans for future action by the VVAW/WSO to be discussed at this meeting, adequate informant coverage is absolutely necessary.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] is currently authorized to pay him up to [REDACTED] for services and [REDACTED] for expenses per month. The [REDACTED] figure includes [REDACTED] for food and lodging, and [REDACTED] for incidentals. In view of the coverage the informant will be in a position to afford and the length of this conference, these expenses appear reasonable and justified.

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

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TO: SACS, [REDACTED] CINCINNATI (100-15745)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, 12/26-31/73. IS - VVAW/WSO.

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AUTHORITY GRANTED TO ADVANCE [REDACTED] UP TO \$201 FOR EXPENSES TO TRAVEL TO YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, TO ATTEND CAPTIONED MEETINGS. INSURE EXACT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES IS OBTAINED.

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CINCINNATI ADVISE [REDACTED] BY WHICH INFORMANT CAN CONTACT CINCINNATI OFFICE SHOULD THE NEED ARISE AND CONSISTENT WITH HIS SECURITY.

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1 - [REDACTED] (6221-1B)

1 - [REDACTED]

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TELETYPE TO SACS, CI  
RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO) NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, 12/26-31/73  
100-448092

NOTE:

b2, b7D Investigation of VVAW/WSO has disclosed continuing leftward drift caused by Marxist-Leninist orientation of VVAW/WSO leaders. While there was no conflict within the group concerning this issue at the last National Steering Committee Meeting in 8/73, there was some indication this would be resolved at captioned conference. Because of this and other VVAW/WSO activity, it is deemed advisable to afford this meeting sufficient informant coverage. [redacted] is a member of [redacted] chapter of the VVAW/WSO but he has been [redacted]

[redacted] It would appear the VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Office is using this tactic [redacted]

[redacted] in [redacted] and is knowledgeable of the affairs of the organization. [redacted] is currently paid up to \$150 for services and \$60 for expenses per month. [redacted] requested \$201 for expenses, which include: [redacted] \$20 meals; [redacted] and \$10 miscellaneous. These expenses appear reasonable and justified for a [redacted] This is the forth informant approved to attend the conference.

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5:37 PM NITEL 12/17/73 LHH

TO: DIRECTOR (100-448092)  
CINCINNATI

FROM: [REDACTED] (P) 3 PAGES

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

(VVAW/WSO); IS - VVAW/WSO. OO: CHICAGO.

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ON 12/17/73, [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT AT A [REDACTED]  
VVAW/WSO OPENING MEETING HELD, [REDACTED], 12/15/73,  
[REDACTED] DELEGATE TO THE UPCOMING NATIONAL  
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE IN ANTIOCH, OHIO, FROM  
12/27-31/73. SOURCE WILL BE ONE OF [REDACTED] DELEGATES ELECTED  
TO ATTEND THIS MEETING [REDACTED] VVAW/WSO  
REGION. DELEGATES ARE TO [REDACTED] ON [REDACTED] AND  
RETURN TO [REDACTED] IN [REDACTED]

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IN VIEW OF THE AFOREMENTIONED, BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED FOR SOURCE'S ATTENDANCE AT THE NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING. IN CONNECTION WITH SOURCE'S TRAVEL TO THE ABOVE MEETING, THE FOLLOWING ANTICIPATED EXPENSES WILL BE INCURRED:

[REDACTED]

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF ANTICIPATED EXPENSES TO BE

INCURRED -

FOR INFORMATION OF [REDACTED], IN EVENT BUREAU

AUTHORITY GRANTED, SOURCE WILL UTILIZE CODE NAME [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] I IS REQUESTED TO [REDACTED] IDENTITY OF  
CONTACTING AGENT AND CONFIDENTIAL TELEPHONE NUMBER.

67D BUREAU MAY BE ASSURED EXACT ACCOUNTING WILL BE  
MADE OF ALL MONIES PAID TO SOURCE, AND INFORMATION DEVELOPED  
WILL BE IMMEDIATELY DISSEMINATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING  
BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS.

[REDACTED] MATTER CLOSELY.

AIR MAIL COPY TO [REDACTED]

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cc [REDACTED]

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>BUTTE</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>BUTTE</b>	DATE <b>11/28/73</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>3/9/73 - 11/21/73</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>THE COVERED WAGON (TCW) (GI COFFEE HOUSE)</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>	TYPED BY <b>CJS</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>IS - REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES</b>	

### REFERENCES

**b7C**

Report of SA **[REDACTED]** Butte, 3/13/73;  
 Butte teletype to Bureau, 7/20/73, captioned  
 "MARK LANE, aka, SM - SUBVERSIVE";  
 Butte teletype to Bureau, 9/21/73, captioned  
 "MARK LANE, aka, SM - SUBVERSIVE";  
 WFO nitel to Butte, 9/26/73, (Interoffice),  
 captioned "MARK LANE, aka, SM - SUBVERSIVE".

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CONVIC.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		PENDING OVER ONE YEAR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
						PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_ SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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- 6- Bureau (100-466543) (Reg.)
- (1-100-409763- [REDACTED]) **b7C**
- (1-105-192109 - [REDACTED])
- ① 100-448092 (VVAW (WFO))
- (1-100-476369 - [REDACTED])

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### Dissemination Record of Attached Report

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By	<b>[REDACTED]</b>	<b>[REDACTED]</b>		

### Notations

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  - (1 - 100-443092 - VVAW/WSO)
  - (1 - 100-476369 - [REDACTED])

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1 - Chicago (100-50772 - VVAW/WSO) (Reg.)

2 - Minneapolis (100-16943 - Lane) (Reg.)

1 - CSI, District 20, [REDACTED] AFB,  
Washington (Reg.)

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- 3 - Butte
  - (2 - 100-9224)
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  - (1 - 100-9200 - Lane)
  - (1 - 105-1043 - [REDACTED])
  - (1 - 100-9353 - [REDACTED])



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This report is classified "Confidential" as unauthorized disclosure could reasonably be expected to damage security by compromising [redacted] an informant who is furnishing valuable information on a continuing basis relative to Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) and The Covered Wagon activities.

INFORMANTS

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Identity of Source

Location

[redacted] is [redacted]  
[redacted]  
(by request)

Instant report

[redacted] is [redacted]

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[redacted] is [redacted]  
[redacted]  
(by request)

Instant report

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LEADS

MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION

AT RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

Will through known sources, attempt to verify present location of MARK LANE.

BUTTE DIVISION

AT MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO

Will continue to follow and report activities of The Covered Wagon.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: **b7C** 1 - Office of Special Investigations, District 20,  
McChord Air Force Base, Washington

Report of: [REDACTED] Office: Butte, Montana

Date: 11/28/73

Field Office File #: 100-9224 Bureau File #: 100-466543

Title: THE COVERED WAGON (TCW)  
(GI COFFEE HOUSE)

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

**b7C** Synopsis: Monthly payments brought up to date on purchase contract for the property known as The Covered Wagon (TCW). However, TCW experiencing difficulties with other financing. Declining activities at TCW due to absence of MARK LANE and less support since end of Vietnam War. Fire 11/13/73, destroyed building used as meeting place. [REDACTED] and other members departed Idaho 11/17/73, to raise money for VVAW/WSO activities by conducting concert tour.

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DETAILS:

(The Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) is a national organization composed primarily of veterans of the war in Vietnam that is headquartered in Chicago, Illinois, and has organized and participated in numerous demonstrations against the war in Vietnam during 1970 through 1973.)

(MARK LANE, an attorney, is the author of the book "Rush to Judgment", a former New York State Assemblyman, anti-war activist and organizer of The Covered Wagon, a GI Coffee House, Mountain Home, Idaho. LANE is presently representing Indians involved in the 71 day siege at Wounded Knee, South Dakota.)

AT MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO

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On October 17, 1973, a source advised that the property located at 755 South 3rd West B, Mountain Home, Idaho, now the location of The Covered Wagon (TCW), is under purchase contract with [REDACTED]. At one time the purchase contract was three months in arrears, but at the present time, it is fully paid up.

Source advised that while payments on the property are up to date, the occupants of TCW have other financial difficulties and very often do not pay their utility bills. Source further advised that since the utilities at TCW have been shut off from time to time, persons at TCW had stored up a large quantity of wood, which was picked up at an abandoned lumber yard on 3th Street in Mountain Home.

b2, b7D [REDACTED] on  
10/17/73

Informant advised members of TCW, Mountain Home, Idaho, are currently attempting to publish a new issue of "The Helping Hand". There have been no issues published for

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at least six months. [redacted] Airman First Class, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Mountain Home, Idaho, has accepted the duties of editor of "The Helping Hand" and is currently the moving force in publishing the new issue. In addition to [redacted] the following individuals, all members of the U. S. Air Force stationed at Mountain Home Air Force Base, have become interested in TCW, and occasionally visit TCW:

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- [redacted] Airman;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Airman;
- [redacted] Sergeant;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Sergeant;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Airman.

Source further advised that the following individuals, who have just recently been discharged from the military, have also indicated an interest in TCW and are contributing to the new issue of "The Helping Hand":

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- [redacted]
- [redacted]
- [redacted]
- [redacted]

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Informant stated that [redacted] is the [redacted] TCW [redacted]. All other [redacted] who are associated with TCW have left TCW and very possibly left the Mountain Home area.

Informant stated that there are a few females from the Mountain Home area, who occasionally visit TCW, but their identities are unknown to the Informant.

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[redacted] on  
5/9/73

Source advised that Dr. BENJAMIN SPOCK, U. S. Presidential Candidate on the Peoples Party, arrived in Idaho on June 25, 1973, and spoke to approximately twenty to thirty people at TCW, and on June 26, 1973, he appeared before a group at the YMCA, Boise, Idaho, and spoke on socialized medicine. Those in attendance at the Boise appearance were members of TCW and approximately eight or ten elderly people, who were interested in Dr. SPOCK personally and had no connection with TCW or VVAW/WSC. SPOCK spoke for over two hours in Boise and his speech was so dull that many of the older people in attendance left before he completed his speech.

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[redacted] Regional Coordinator of the Montana-Idaho Region, VVAW/WSC, was also scheduled to speak on the program, but due to the amount of time taken by Dr. SPOCK, [redacted] made no comments, but merely showed the film, "Winter Soldier" to those in attendance.

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[redacted] on  
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On August 22, 1973, source advised that MARK LANE, founder and head of TCW, Mountain Home, Idaho, is residing at Pine Ridge and Rapid City, South Dakota, with [redacted] who reportedly supports LANE and pays most of the expenses incurred by him.

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[redacted] is currently acting as head of TCW during the absence of MARK LANE and [redacted] TCW is

not very active, inasmuch as they lack funds to support the group. TCW has only five to eight people hanging around, and is practically ineffective. [redacted] continues to give TCW her financial support.

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[redacted] on  
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Source stated on September 10, 1973, that [redacted] has departed from TCW in the past week and is in constant travel status working closely with [redacted] who is serving as legal counselor to the individuals arrested in the American Indian Movement occupation at Wounded Knee, South Dakota, and [redacted]. In addition, [redacted] has traveled to the [redacted]. The informant stated that [redacted] is currently residing at [redacted].

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Source advised that [redacted] might possibly return to TCW at some later date. [redacted] has also [redacted].

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Informant further advised that TCW has experienced extreme financial difficulty since [redacted] has become extremely interested in American Indian Movement activities at Rapid City, South Dakota. TCW has only two to eight persons hanging around it during the absence of MARK LANE, [redacted] and [redacted]. TCW continues to act as a GI Coffee House, but on some occasions they do not have anything to serve or anyone to lead any type of discussion who is knowledgeable in the field. [redacted] is the only permanent person hanging around TCW and he is lacking in sufficient knowledge to become a leader or effective speaker.

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[redacted] on  
9/10/73

On July 12, 1973, Chief of Police NELSON OLDS, Mountain Home, Idaho, advised approximately 450 to 500 yards of carpeting was stolen from the Non-Commissioned Officers

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Club on or about July 5, 1973. This carpeting was located at TCW, some of which had been cut and laid in TCW buildings. The carpeting was recovered by means of a search warrant and, thereafter, [redacted] advised Chief of Police OLDS that TCW will protest the legality of the warrant and stated the search itself conducted by police was illegal in several aspects, including the fact that the Police Officers searched clothes closets and desk drawers, supposedly searching for the carpeting.

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Chief of Police OLDS further advised that the persons involved in the theft were [redacted]

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These persons are all Airmen assigned to Mountain Home Air Force Base. All local charges in the theft were dropped in favor of military prosecution in the matter.

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On July 20, 1973, a source advised that the Commander, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho, filed military charges against [redacted] Airman First Class, Serial Number [redacted] who was assigned to the 366th Munitions and Maintenance Squadron, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Mountain Home, Idaho, charging him with Theft of Government Property. Charges were dismissed July 6, 1973, as contractor stated he authorized removal of carpet in view of the fact carpet was to be disposed of as unsuitable for installation.

Sources further advised that MARK LANE represented [redacted] at the hearing held July 5, 1973, and that LANE then departed Mountain Home Air Force Base and was believed currently residing in Pine Ridge, South Dakota.

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[redacted] on 7/20/73

[redacted] on 7/20/73

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On September 20, 1973, sources advised that MARK LANE was in Mountain Home, Idaho, to represent [redacted] in a general court martial at Mountain Home Air Force Base. [redacted] was being tried for Aggravated Assault on an Air Policeman and Disrespect to a Superior.



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[redacted] and [redacted] arrived with LANE and the three were staying at TCW, Mountain Home, Idaho. [redacted] was driving a 1967 beige Dodge Van bearing Washington, D. C. license #345-654.

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[redacted] on 3/20/73

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Washington, D. C. license #854-654 registered to [redacted]

[redacted]

He has been active in anti-war demonstrations in the Washington, D. C. area. [redacted] as well as MARK LANE, was among the lawyers defending persons accused of Federal violations in connection with the occupation at Wounded Knee, South Dakota.

b2, b7D [redacted] on 10/24/73

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Source advised on 10/30/73, that MARK LANE and [redacted] are presently at Rapid City, South Dakota, working with the American Indian Movement. [redacted] might possibly return to TCW around November 1, 1973, for a short time. During LANE's recent stay at TCW in late September and early October, he organized it enough to get out a Summer-Fall edition of "The Helping Hand". This is only the second edition of "The Helping Hand" this year. "The Helping Hand" is the GI underground newspaper associated with TCW.

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Source further advised that [redacted] recently returned to TCW and is trying to reorganize it. TCW has been hampered lately by lack of funds and by lack of permanent residents.

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[redacted] was managing things at TCW in the absence of [redacted] and [redacted] however, he does not have

the leadership ability nor the interest to really get the operation going.

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[redacted] on 10/30/73

On October 12, 1973, source furnished a Summer-Fall edition of "The Helping Hand", the GI underground newspaper associated with TCW. The newspaper listed [redacted], Airman, Munitions and Maintenance Squadron, Mountain Home Air Force Base, as the editor. Contributors were listed as follows:

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- [redacted] Sergeant;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Sergeant;
- [redacted] Airman;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Airman;
- [redacted] Sergeant;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Airman First Class;
- [redacted] Corporal, U. S. Marine Corps;
- [redacted] Sergeant, U. S. Army;
- [redacted]
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- [redacted]
- [redacted]

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[REDACTED] on  
10/12/73

"The Mountain Home News", Mountain Home, Idaho, Thursday, November 15, 1973, edition contained a front-page article entitled, "Building Guttled by Fire". The article identified TCW, not by name but by location, on the corner of 3rd West B and Seventh South (back of Beck's Chevron). The article stated the building was badly engulfed in flames before the fire department was called and before it could be stopped, the attic and roof caved in. The building was considered a total loss.

The article quoted Fire Chief BOB WEATHERS as saying the initial examination showed that the fire probably resulted from a faulty flue from a wood stove being used in the main room of the building.

The article further stated that "in recent months, a local organization purchased the building along with another house and apartments on the same property and the main house, which burned, has been used as a meeting place and recreation center. One of the members of the group was in the building at the time the building caught fire. He said that when he discovered the building was on fire he immediately called the fire department. This fire occurred almost exactly two years following a fire on Main Street, which destroyed the meeting place of the same group along with two other buildings."

On November 20, 1973, source advised that the fire which gutted the main building at TCW on November 13, 1973, destroyed the printing press on which "The Helping Hand" was printed. Also destroyed by the fire was approximately a 2,500 book library, a recording tape collection, and a stereo system. The books in the library were mostly books on protest activities and revolutionary ideas.

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Source advised that the building was insured, but that TCW would probably not get much money from the insurance company since most of the room partitions in the inside had been torn out and the outside of the building was in disrepair. Presently personnel at TCW are clearing away the debris with the hope that in the near future they will build another building.

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Source advised that [REDACTED] Regional Coordinator of the Montana-Idaho Region of the VVAW/WSO, has promised to get VVAW/WSO members from Boise to come out on Thanksgiving week-end and assist TCW in clearing the debris from the burned-down building.

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Source further stated that [REDACTED] and persons known to him only as The Covered Wagon Musicians, left TCW around November 17, 1973, for New York City. [REDACTED] and the musicians are reportedly to go on a tour to raise money for the VVAW/WSO and TCW. The tour is to start in New York and also appear in Baltimore, Detroit, Chicago and Milwaukee, and return to Mountain Home, Idaho, around December 5, 1973.

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[REDACTED] on  
11/20/73

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Butte, Montana, 59701  
November 23, 1973

Title: THE COVERED WAGON (TCW)  
(GI COFFEE HOUSE)

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY -  
REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

Reference: Report of Special Agent  
b7C [REDACTED] dated November 23, 1973.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TO: SACS, ██████████ (100-15674)  
CINCINNATI (100-19743)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) 3381

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO) NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO  
12/26-31/73. IS - VVAW/WSO.

RE TEL DATED 12/17/73. b2, b7D

AUTHORITY GRANTED TO ADVANCE ██████████ UP TO \$220 FOR EXPENSES TO  
TRAVEL TO YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, TO ATTEND CAPTIONED MEETING. INSURE  
EXACT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES AS OBTAINED.

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CINCINNATI ADVISE ██████████ MEANS BY WHICH INFORMANT CAN CONTACT  
CINCINNATI OFFICE SHOULD THE NEED ARISE AND CONSISTENT WITH HIS  
SECURITY.

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UPON INFORMANT'S RETURN TO ██████████ SHOULD BE EXPEDITIOUSLY  
DEBRIEFED AND RESULTS SUBMITTED IN SUMMARY FORM TO FBIHQ AND INTERES-  
TED OFFICES BY TELETYPE. THEREAFTER, COMPLETE RESULTS OF DEBRIEFING

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CHICAGO (AIRMAIL) (100-50772)

Mr. ██████████ (6221 - 1B) 1 - 100-475040 (MI 463-S)

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Teletype to SACs, [REDACTED] & Cincinnati  
Re: Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization  
(VVAW/WSO) National Steering Committee Meeting, Yellow Springs,  
Ohio 12/26-31/73  
100-448092

SHOULD BE SUBMITTED CINCINNATI BY FD-306 IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
SAC LETTER 73-3(C), WHICH SETS FORTH INSTRUCTIONS FOR  
REPORTING RESULTS OF SUCH CONFERENCES.

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NOTE:

Investigation of VVAW/WSO has disclosed continuing leftward  
drift caused by Marxist-Leninist orientation of VVAW/WSO leaders.  
While there was no conflict within the group concerning this  
issue at the last National Steering Committee Meeting in 8/73,  
it was some indication this would be resolved at captioned con-  
ference. Because of this and other VVAW/WSO activity, it is  
deemed advisable to afford this meeting sufficient informant  
coverage. [REDACTED] is knowledgeable of VVAW/WSO activity in  
[REDACTED] and has been [REDACTED] to captioned  
[REDACTED]. Informant is currently paid up to \$200 for services and  
[REDACTED] and Milwaukee has requested expenses  
in the amount of \$220 which includes [REDACTED]

These expenses appear reasonable and justified. This is the  
third informant approved to attend the conference.

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TO SAC ██████████ (100-10467)  
CINCINNATI (100-19743)  
FROM DIRECTOR FBI (100-448092)

1 - Mr. ██████████  
1 - Mr. ██████████

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Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier  
Organization (VVAW/WSO) National Steering Committee Meeting,  
Yellow Springs, Ohio, 12/26-31/73, IS - VVAW/WSO.

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AUTHORITY GRANTED ██████████ TO ADVANCE INFORMANT UP TO \$200  
FOR EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH ATTENDANCE AT CAPTIONED  
MEETING. INSURE EXACT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES IS OBTAINED.

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CINCINNATI ADVISE ██████████ MEANS BY WHICH INFORMANT CAN  
CONTACT CINCINNATI OFFICE SHOULD NEED ARISE BUT CONSISTENT WITH  
SECURITY.

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AFTER RETURNING TO ██████████ INFORMANT SHOULD BE EXPEDITIOUSLY  
DEBRIEFED AND RESULTS SUBMITTED IN SUMMARY FORM TO FBIHQ AND  
INTERESTED OFFICES. THEREAFTER, COMPLETE RESULTS OF DEBRIEFING  
SHOULD BE SUBMITTED CINCINNATI BY FD-306 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAC

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1 - Mr. ██████████ (6221 IB)

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TELETYPE TO [REDACTED] AND CINCINNATI  
RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER  
ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING,  
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LETTER 72-3 (C), WHICH SETS FORTH INSTRUCTIONS FOR REPORTING  
RESULTS OF CONFERENCES SUCH AS CAPTIONED.

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AUTHORITY ALSO GRANTED [REDACTED] TO PAY INFORMANT UP TO AN  
ADDITIONAL \$400 UNDER SAC AUTHORITY SEPARATE AND ABOVE FROM THE  
\$200 AUTHORIZED ABOVE.

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The investigation of VVAW/WSO has disclosed a continuing  
leftward drift caused by Marxist-Leninist orientation of  
VVAW/WSO leaders. This situation has caused some factionalism  
within the organization and while there was no action taken on  
this question at the last NSC meeting in 8/73, there was some  
indication a confrontation concerning it would occur at captioned  
conference. Because of this situation and the fact that future  
plans affecting the direction of VVAW/WSO activity will be made,  
we must have sufficient informant coverage. [REDACTED] in  
[REDACTED] attended the VVAW/WSO Regional Conference in

[REDACTED] As such, the source is expected to attend  
captioned meeting. The \$200 requested by [REDACTED] covers trans-  
portation, food and lodging. These expenses appear reasonable  
and justified in view of the length of the conference and the  
coverage the informant can afford both at the meeting [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] from the region. With regard to  
[REDACTED] request for additional \$400 to be paid under SAC authority  
this source is [REDACTED] who recently returned to [REDACTED]  
and volunteered to provide coverage on the VVAW/WSO. As noted  
above, source has been successful in penetrating this group on a  
regional level. Information supplied covers VVAW/WSO activities  
in Colorado, Wyoming and Utah, including a so-called regional

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TELETYPE TO ██████████ AND CINCINNATI  
RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER  
ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING,  
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b7D membership list of over 600 dated 2/72 as well as a list of credit card numbers of major corporations and Government agencies with instructions on how to make fraudulent telephone calls. ██████████ requested authority to pay this source an additional \$400 under SAC authority upon depletion of the initial amount. To date the informant has been paid \$190 for services and \$60 for expenses on SAC authority. This is the ██████████ source authorized to attend this meeting.

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TO SAC [REDACTED] (100-2514)  
CINCINNATI (100-19749)

12/19/73

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

VETERAN VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, 12/26-31/73, IS - VVAW/WSO.

REFTEL DATED 12/14/73.

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AUTHORITY GRANTED TO ADVANCE [REDACTED] UP TO \$445 FOR EXPENSES TO TRAVEL TO YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, TO ATTEND CAPTIONED MEETING. INSURE EXACT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES IS OBTAINED.

CINCINNATI ADVISE [REDACTED] MEANS BY WHICH INFORMANT CAN CONTACT CINCINNATI OFFICE SHOULD THE NEED ARISE AND CONSISTENT WITH HIS SECURITY.

UPON INFORMANT'S RETURN TO [REDACTED] HE SHOULD BE EXPEDITIOUSLY DEBRIEFED AND RESULTS SUBMITTED IN SUMMARY FORM TO FBIHQ AND INTERESTED OFFICES BY TELETYPE. THEREAFTER, COMPLETE RESULTS OF DEBRIEFING SHOULD BE SUBMITTED CINCINNATI BY FD-306 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAC LETTER 72-3 (C), WHICH SETS FORTH INSTRUCTIONS

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RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO),  
NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING,  
YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, 12/26-31/73.

FOR REPORTING RESULTS OF SUCH CONFERENCES. COPY BEING SENT  
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Investigation of VVAW/WSO has disclosed a continuing leftward drift caused by Marxist-Leninist orientation of VVAW/WSO leaders. This situation has caused some factionalism within the group. While there was no confrontation concerning it at the last National Steering Committee meeting in 8/73, there was some indication it would be resolved at captioned conference. It is therefore deemed advisable to have sufficient informant coverage. [REDACTED] is a VVAW/WSO leader and has access to Scott Camil, one of the driving forces for a militant revolutionary stance within the VVAW/WSO. He has been selected by his local chapter as a representative to the meeting. The informant is currently paid up to \$50 for services and up to \$300 for expenses per month and [REDACTED] has requested expenses in the amount of \$445, which includes [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] In view of the quality coverage this source is in a position to offer, these expenses appear reasonable and justified. This is the [REDACTED] informant approved to attend the conference

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

(ATTN; INTD)

CINCINNATI (100-19743)

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FROM CHICAGO (100-50772)

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

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IS - VVAW/WSO.

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ON 12-17-73 CAPTIONED SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE  
 INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED INFORMATION TO DATE INDICATES  
 IOWA VVAW/WSO COLLECTIVE MAY DECIDE NOT TO SEND DELEGATE  
 TO VVAW/WSO NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), ANTIOCH  
 COLLEGE, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, 12/27-31/73, FOR UNDETERMINED  
 REASON. SOURCE IS [REDACTED] AND  
 CHICAGO CHAPTER OFFICIALS HAVE INDICATED IN EVENT IOWA COLLECTIVE  
 DOES NOT SELECT DELEGATE, SOURCE WOULD BE [REDACTED]

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SOURCE ASSIGNED CODE NAME [REDACTED]

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BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO SEND SOURCE TO NSCM IN EVENT  
 IOWA COLLECTIVE DOES NOT SELECT DELEGATE. IF APPROVAL GRANTED,  
 CHICAGO WILL COORDINATE WITH CINCINNATI AND WILL THOROUGHLY  
 DEBRIEF SOURCE UPON RETURN TO CHICAGO AFTER NSCM CONCLUSION.

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SOURCE'S PROJECTED EXPENSES TO BE INCURRED ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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[REDACTED]  
MEALS \$20. TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES TO BE INCURRED ARE \$201. IMMEDIATELY UPON SOURCE'S RETURN STRICT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES WILL BE OBTAINED FROM SOURCE.

IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING COVERAGE NSCM, WHERE MAJOR DECISION REGARDING DIRECTION VVAW/WSO WILL TAKE IN FUTURE IS EXPECTED, BY MAKING TRIP SOURCE WILL ENHANCE POSITION IN ORGANIZATION AND INCREASE POTENTIAL FOR FUTURE COVERAGE OF VVAW/WSO ACTIVITIES.

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**AIRMAIL-REGISTERED**

**TO: DIRECTOR, FBI**  
**FROM: SAC, MIAMI (P)**  
**RE: JAMES WALTER MC COY, JR.;**  
 et al  
 BUREAU OF DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL  
 COMMITTEE HEADQUARTERS,  
 WASHINGTON, D. C., 6/17/72  
 ICC; PERJURY  
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 (WFO 139-166)  
 (MI 139-328)

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 (JK 176-39)  
 (MI 100-16340)

Re Miami teletype 12/17/73.

Enclosed for the Bureau, WFO and Jacksonville - 2  
 copies each of an FD-302 reflecting results of 12/17/73,  
 interview of [redacted]

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Feeling threatened by allegations of illegal acts on his part, ██████████ requested to, and did, telephonically contact his attorney. Attorney ██████████ telephonically advised the investigators that ██████████ would answer no further questions unless granted immunity. The interview then terminated, and ██████████ returned to Miami.

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# Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 12/20/73

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FROM : SAC, DENVER (100-10467) (P)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
ISS - VVAW/WSO

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On 12/5/73 [redacted] furnished attached list of major corporations and government agencies credit card numbers and the instructions on how to use them. Source stated [redacted], Milwaukee, Wisconsin, former national staff member of VVAW/WSO, furnished the material to the Regional Office of VVAW/WSO, Denver, Colorado, on 12/4/73. [redacted] was in Denver with other members of the "Covered Wagon Singing Group" from Mountain Home, Idaho, VVAW/WSO.

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The copy furnished by source was poor, so Denver has inked over the instruction portion of the document to make it readable. It is noted that several FBI credit card numbers appear on the list.

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Denver also notes that a portion of this list was incorporated into a letterhead memorandum prepared by Dallas dated 8/30/73, captioned "AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM), NATIONAL CONVENTION, WHITE OAK, OKLAHOMA, 7/25/73 - 8/23/73", which accompanied Dallas airtel of same date and title, copies to recipients of this communication (Bufile 100-462483, Chicago File 105-34680, and Denver File 158-529-1621).

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7-17 PM NITEL 12/14/73 JFD

TO BUREAU (100-448092)  
 ATTN: INTELLIGENCE DIVISION  
 CHICAGO (100-56772)  
 CINCINNATI (100-19743)

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FROM [REDACTED]

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION.

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ON 12/14/73, [REDACTED] ADVISED HE WILL BE ATTENDING  
 THE NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM) AT  
 ANTIOCH COLLEGE, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO ON 12/27-31/73,  
 AS A REPRESENTATIVE [REDACTED] VVAW CHAPTER AND [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] REGION. AT PRESENT SOURCE IS  
 NOT AWARE WHO ELSE WILL BE ATTENDING THE NSCM FROM [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] EACH CHAPTER IS PICKING THEIR DELEGATES  
 AND NONE HAVE YET BEEN ANNOUNCED.

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SOURCE PLANS TO LEAVE [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] TO ARRIVE YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO  
 BY LATE 12/26/73, AND PARTICIPATE IN NSCM FROM 12/27  
 ILLINOIS, TO SPEND 1/1-3/74 AT VVAW NATIONAL

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HEADQUARTERS FOR OBSERVATION, TRAINING AND FAMILIARIZATION.  
SOURCE EXPECTS TO RETURN TO FLORIDA ON 1/5/74.

BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED [REDACTED]  
TRAVEL TO YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, AND CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, b2, b7D  
TO PARTICIPATE IN ACTIVITIES AT THE NSCM AND AT  
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS. AND ADVANCE OF [REDACTED] IS REQUESTED  
FOR THE TRIP, WHICH INCLUDES [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] b7D  
[REDACTED] UPON RETURN, SOURCE WILL BE IMMEDIATELY  
DEBRIEFED AND INFORMATION FURNISHED TO ALL INTERESTED  
OFFICES. STRICT ACCOUNTING WILL BE MADE OF EXACT  
EXPENSES INCURRED BY SOURCE.

IN AUTHORITY FOR TRAVEL IS GRANTED, CINCINNATI  
IS REQUESTED TO [REDACTED] NAME OF AGENT TO BE b7D  
CONTACTED AND TELEPHONE NUMBER TO BE UTILIZED BY  
SOURCE IN EVENT CONTACT IS NECESSARY. SOURCE USES  
CODE NAME [REDACTED] b2  
[REDACTED] AND ADVISE FURTHER INFORMATION b7D  
ON FLORIDA DELEGATES TO NSCM.

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Date: 12/14/73

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) b7C  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-77703) (P)  
SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
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OO: Chicago b2, b7D

On 12/14/73, [redacted] furnished the following information:

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1 - Chicago (Info) b2  
2 - San Francisco b2D  
16 - Los Angeles

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- (1 - 100-80514)
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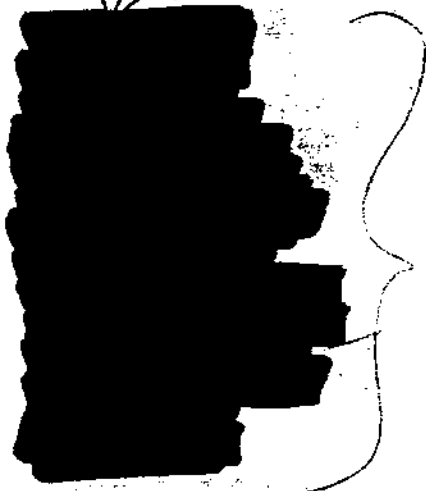
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Source advised that on 12/8/73, members of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) convened at 1810 East Anaheim Street, Long Beach, California, for the purpose of holding their sub-regional conference. Source advised that approximately 30 to 35 individuals attended the meetings and identified the following:



Source advised that he recognized two other individuals from the Santa Monica area whose names were [redacted] (Last Name Unknown) and [redacted] (Last Name Unknown). Source advised that he would furnish this office a copy of the minutes of that meeting as soon as possible.

Source advised that with regard to the planned demonstration over the Christmas holidays, it was decided to form a coalition with the Indo-China Peace Council and several other organizations in the Los Angeles area. Source stated the aforementioned demonstration, whose theme is "Peace on Earth III", is scheduled to take place at 1:00 PM on 12/23/73. Source advised the action would consist of a march and demonstration in the Pershing Square area in Los Angeles. Source advised this action would be a peaceful one.

On 12/13/73, [redacted] furnished the following information with regard to the aforementioned march and demonstration:

Source advised that individuals participating in "Peace on Earth III" are scheduled to gather at Pershing Square in downtown Los Angeles. Source advised the march

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route was selected with the purpose of contacting as many Christmas shoppers as possible. The route of the march is as follows:

The march will originate at Pershing Square and proceed westbound on 6th Street to Hope Street; Southbound on Hope Street to 7th Street; Eastbound on 7th Street to Broadway; Northbound on Broadway Street to 5th Street; Westbound on 5th Street back to Pershing Square. Source advised upon completion of the march, a rally is scheduled at Pershing Square.

Source advised that the California-Nevada Region of the VVAW/WSO has scheduled to hold their next regional conference on 1/26-27/74, at San Francisco, California.

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The source advised that [redacted] and [redacted] were elected as delegates to the next steering committee meeting, which is scheduled for 12/27-31/73, at Antioch, Ohio.

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Source stated [redacted] and [redacted] were designated as alternate delegates.

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will insure appropriate coverage of the aforementioned march and demonstration on 12/23/73.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/20/73

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (100-21561)(P)

SUBJECT: WISCONSIN AMNESTY PROJECT SPONSORED  
BY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION,  
MADISON, WISCONSIN, 10/26-28/73  
IS-VVAW/WSO  
OO: MILWAUKEE

Re Chicago airtel to the Bureau, 11/5/73.

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Review of captioned Milwaukee file fails to reflect report of [redacted] at captioned conference.

Chicago, if not already done, immediately furnish Milwaukee FD-306 of [redacted] so Milwaukee can submit LHM.

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- 2 - Chicago (100-54447) (RM)
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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092) ATTN: INTD

CHICAGO (100-50772)

PHILADELPHIA (100-51647)

KANSAS CITY (100-16046)

MILWAUKEE (100-15674)

TAMPA (100-2514)

FROM CINCINNATI (100-19743) 2P

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VIETNAM VETERANS' AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAM/WSO); IS/VVAW/WSO.

RE CHICAGO AIRTEL TO BUREAU, 12/10/73.

RECEIVING OFFICES HAVE RECEIVED OR REQUESTED AUTHORITY TO HAVE  
SOURCES ATTEND NSCM OF CAPTIONED, ATIOCH COLLEGE, YELLOW SPRINGS,  
OHIO, 12/27-31/73. IN EVENT SOURCES ATTENDING DEVELOP SIGNIFICANT,  
TIMELY DATA WHICH CAN BE RELAYED WITH SECURITY, SUCH SHOULD BE

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EMPHASIZES PROBABILITY OF SECURITY MEASURES AVAILABLE TO VVAW/WSO

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AT ANTIOCH COLLEGE AND SOURCES ATTENDING SHOULD BE SO CAUTIONED.

RECEIVING OFFICES SUTEL SUMMARY TO BUREAU, CHICAGO, AND CINCINNATI

UPON ORIGINAL DEBRIEFING OF SOURCES AND FOLLOW WITH DETAILED

FD-306 TO CINCINNATI.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/20/73

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SAC, ALBANY (100-22943) (C)

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SM - VVAW/WBO

SUBJECT: OO: ALBANY

Re Bureau 0-7 to Albany dated 12/4/73.

A review of Albany indices regarding captioned subject reveals subject mentioned in Vietnam Veterans Against the War file, AL 100-22519, as possibly being subcoordinator of VVAW activities in the Albany, New York, area.

Further review of files reveals that captioned subject's name appeared on a VVAW mailing list 4/5/73. Albany has main file on captioned subject which at the present time is in a closed status due to subject's lack of involvement in VVAW activities.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092) (ATTN INTD)

ALBANY (100-22519)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

FROM DETROIT (100-39271) (RUC) 1P



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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAV)/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (WSO), IS-VVAV/WSO. OO CHICAGO.

RE ALBANY NITEL TO BUREAU, 12/10/73.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092) (ATTN: INTD)  
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FROM [REDACTED]

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR / WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO), INTERNAL SECURITY.

*NITEL PHXCI, 12/20/73, CRAS, etc.*

RE CHICAGO AIRTEL TO BUREAU DATED 12-10-73.

RE AIRTEL ANNOUNCED PLANS FOR THE NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE  
MEETING (NSCM) OF THE VVAW/WSO TO BE HELD 12/27-31/72, ANTIPOCK  
COLLEGE, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO. REAIRTEL REQUESTED OFFICES WITH  
CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IN POSITION TO ATTEND NSCM TO REQUEST BUREAU  
APPROVAL. **b2.b7D**

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[REDACTED] IS IN POSITION TO ATTEND NSCM [REDACTED]

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SOURCE IS ACQUAINTED WITH AND COMPLETELY ACCEPTED BY VVAW/WSO MEMBERS, INCLUDING SOME FROM [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] PARTICIPATED IN THE DEMONSTRATIONS BY THE VVAW/WSO [REDACTED] AND AS RESULT IS ACQUAINTED WITH SEVERAL LEADERS AND MEMBERS OF VVAW/WSO IN [REDACTED]

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BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO SEND [REDACTED] TO NSCM AND TO PAY HIM FOLLOWING AMOUNTS IN CONNECTION WITH ATTENDANCE FOR PERIOD 12/26-31/73: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FROM [REDACTED] INCLUSIVE. IT IS NOTED THAT BY [REDACTED] SOURCE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THESE TWO DAYS ARE INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE [REDACTED] ARE [REDACTED]

SOURCE'S [REDACTED] IS ESTIMATED AT [REDACTED] b7D

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SOURCE'S REGISTRATION FEE, WHICH INCLUDES FOOD AND LODGING PER REAIRTEL IS \$10.00.

IN ADDITION, AN AMOUNT OF \$35.00 IS REQUESTED FOR SUCH ITEMS AS CONTRIBUTIONS, LITERATURE, ADDITIONAL FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS. TOTAL OF ABOVE EXPENSES IS \$195.00 FOR PERIOD 12/27-31/73.

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27D FOR INFORMATION OF CINCINNATI, SOURCE UTILIZES THE CODE NAME [REDACTED] IF ABLE TO CONTACT THE CINCINNATI OFFICE. SUCH CONTACT WILL BE DIFFICULT DUE TO FACT ATTENDEES WILL BE RESIDING TOGETHER IN DORMITORY AND SECURE CONDITIONS FOR A PHONECALL MAY NOT EXIST. CINCINNATI FURNISH ANY SPECIAL NUMBERS TO BE UTILIZED SHOULD CONTACT BE POSSIBLE.

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Via \_\_\_\_\_ (Priority)

**TO:** *b7D* DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

**FROM:** SAC, [REDACTED] (RUC)

**SUBJECT:** VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
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*b7D* Re Chicago airtel 12/10/73.

[REDACTED] informants unable to attend VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meeting, 12/27-31/73, at Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio.

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- 1 - Chicago (100-50772) (Info)
- 1 - Cincinnati (100-31431) (Info)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

FROM : SAC, PHOENIX (100-7603) (RUC)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
IS - VVAW/WSO

OO: Chicago

DATE: 12/19/73

ReBulet to PX, 10/15/73 and PXlet to Bu, 11/15/73.

Contact with knowledgeable sources as enumerated in referenced Phoenix letter has indicated VVAW chapters in Phoenix and Tucson ceased to exist about January - February, 1973. The same sources have been contacted on a continuing basis since that time and continue to report there is absolutely no activity on the part of this organization in the Phoenix Division.

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[redacted] referred to in Referenced Bureau letter, is [redacted] the subject of Bufile [redacted] and [redacted]

By letter dated 2/6/73, captioned [redacted] SM - VVAW," OO: Phoenix, an LHM was forwarded to the Bureau. Phoenix advised that UACB, inasmuch as no information had been developed which would indicate [redacted] was a current danger or threat to the national security, no further investigation would be conducted.

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[redacted] referred to in referenced Bureau letter is [redacted] subject of Bufile [redacted] which was closed by report to the Bureau dated 2/15/73 inasmuch as [redacted] background and activities had been sufficiently developed. It was not felt [redacted] met ADEX criteria.

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- 2 - Bureau
- 1 - Chicago (100-50722)
- 4 - Phoenix (100-7603)
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letter is [redacted] referred to in referenced Bureau  
[redacted] the subject of PXfile  
[redacted] who is described as follows:

Race	white
Sex	male
DOB	[redacted]
POB	[redacted]
SSAN	[redacted]
Permanent address	[redacted] Danville, California
Tucson address	[redacted]

b7C [redacted] who as of 5/25/73, was enrolled as  
a student at the University of Arizona (UA) in Tucson,  
came to the attention of the Phoenix Division upon receipt  
of an FD-306 from Chicago dated 4/26/73 which attached  
a VVAW chapter list effective 4/5/73 provided by [redacted] b2  
on 4/11/73. This list contained the name of [redacted] b7D  
at  
Tucson. This matter was placed in a closed status after  
contact with knowledgeable sources at Tucson had indicated  
[redacted] was not connected with any revolutionary or  
extremist groups in Tucson.

b7C UACB, This matter is being placed in closed  
status in the Phoenix Division inasmuch as it has been  
determined that there is no active chapter or individuals  
in the Phoenix Division. Phoenix files on [redacted]  
[redacted] and [redacted] are also being closed inasmuch as it  
is felt further investigation regarding these individuals  
is not warranted.

Phoenix will remain alert for any indication there  
is any activity on the part of captioned organization or  
by individuals supra in Arizona and in the event any such  
activity should take place, Phoenix will immediately take  
appropriate steps to insure adequate informant coverage  
exists.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 12/19/73

FROM : SAC, PHOENIX (100-7603) (RUC)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
IS - VVAW/WSO

OO: Chicago

ReCGairtel to Bu, 12/10/73.

Phoenix Division has no confidential sources in a position to attend the National Steering Committee meeting 12/27-31/73.

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- 2 - Bureau
- 2 - Chicago (100-50772)
- 1 - Phoenix

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TO DIRECTOR 100-448092

ATTN: INTD

CHICAGO 100-50772

CINCINNATI 100-19743

FROM NEW YORK 100-160644

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO), IS, OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO.

b2, b7D REFERENCE CHICAGO AIRTEL TO BUREAU, 12/10/73.

ON 12/19/73, [REDACTED] WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION  
IN PAST, ADVISED NEW YORK REGION VVAW/WSO HAS BEEN ALLOTTED EIGHT  
DELEGATES TO NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING OF ORGANIZATION  
AT ANTIOCH COLLEGE, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO 12/27-31/73.

TWO DELEGATES WILL ATTEND FROM NEW YORK CITY CHAPTER.

THEY ARE JOSEPH URGO, FORMER MEMBER OF NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF VVAW/WSO AND [REDACTED] PART-TIME STAFF MEMBER NYC CHAPTER.

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URGO IS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED] 5 FEET 8 INCHES TALL, BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES, MEDIUM BUILD, WEARS BEARD.

ACCORDING TO SOURCE, [REDACTED] IS WHITE FEMALE, [REDACTED] YEARS OF AGE, BROWN CURLEY HAIR, SLENDER BUILD.

AM COPIES TO ALBANY AND BUFFALO FOR INFORMATION.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 12/28/73

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-8910) (P)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER  
SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
IS - VVAW/WSO  
(ATLANTA DIVISION)

Re Atlanta letter to the Bureau, dated 11/15/73.

Since submission of referenced letter, no information has come to the attention of Atlanta or has otherwise been developed concerning the existence of VVAW in the Atlanta Division.

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It is noted that in St. Louis report of SA [redacted] dated 10/12/73, captioned "VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)", during National Steering Committee meeting, St. Louis, Missouri, 8/23-27/73, certain comments were made concerning Georgia VVAW/WSO. It was stated on Page 14 that the Tampa Chapter proposed the absorption of Georgia due to the lack of interest in Georgia, and the fact that Georgia had pretty well fallen apart region-wise. In addition, on Page 62, it was noted that the Georgia Region will be taken over by Florida. The coordinator in Atlanta, Georgia, resigned and the Florida representative was appointed to contact the former Georgia coordinator to obtain all records and to help choose a new coordinator. The prior coordinator in Georgia was listed as [redacted] Georgia University Station, Box [redacted] Athens, Georgia 30602, telephone number 404-742-[redacted]

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## TAMPA DIVISION

### AT TAMPA, FLORIDA

Advise Atlanta whether any known contact has been made between Tampa VVAW personnel and Georgia VVAW personnel.

- (2) - Bureau
- 1 - Chicago (100-50772)
- 2 - Tampa
- 3 - Atlanta (2- 100-8910)
- TCD:lru (1- 100-9075)
- (8)

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AT 100-8910

ATLANTA DIVISION

AT ATHENS, GEORGIA

Continue to explore the extent of VVAW at  
the University of Georgia.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

ATTN: INTELLIGENCE

FROM LOS ANGELES (100-77703) 2P

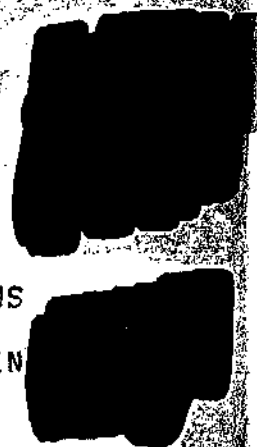
DEMONSTRATION FOR PEACE ON EARTH, PERSHING SQUARE PARK  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 12/23/73, SPONSORED BY VVAW WSO IS-S.

DEMONSTRATION HELD THIS DATE FROM 1:00 PM THROUGH 2:45 PM AT PERSHING SQUARE, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, WHICH WAS ANNOUNCED BEING SPONSORED BY THE VVAW/WSO. APPROXIMATELY 125 CAUCASIANS AND ORIENTALS RANGING IN AGE FROM 18 TO 40, 50PERCENT MALE, IN ATTENDANCE AT PEAK OF DEMO. DEMONSTRATION BEGAN AT 1:00 WITH DEMONSTRATORS ASSEMBLING AT PERSHING SQUARE. MARCH BEGAN AT 1:20 PM AND PROCEEDED WESTBOUND ON SIXTH STREET TO HOPE STREET, SOUTHBOUND ON HOPE STREET TO SEVENTH STREET, EASTBOUND ON SEVENTH STREET TO BROADWAY, NORTHBOUND ON BROADWAY STREET TO FIFT STREET, WESTBOUND ON FIFTH STREET BACK TO PERSHING SQUARE ARRIVING AT ABOUT 2:00 PM. UPON ARRIVAL AT PERSHING SQUARE A SERIES OF THREE SPEAKERS SPOKE ADVOCATING AMNESY FOR MILITARY DESERTERS AND THE REMOVAL OF U. S. AID TO THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH VIETNAM. THE RALLY PART OF THE DEMONSTRATION CAME TO A CLOSE AT 2:45 PM.

NO ARRESTS, INCIDENTS, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE OCCURRED.

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LAPD, LASO, 115TH MIG, SECRET SERVICE, USA, HAVE BEEN ADVISED.  
THE VVAW IS A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION COMPOSED PRIMARILY OF  
VETERANS OF THE VIETNAM WAR, WHICH HAS CONDUCTED  
DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST THE WAR DURING 1970-1972. ITS FIRST  
PUBLISHED OBJECTIVE IS TO DEMAND AN IMMEDIATE END  
OF FIGHTING AND WITHDRAWAL OF ALL AMERICAN TROOPS FROM INDOCHINA.

REFERENCE LA NITEL DATED 12-14-73 CAPTIONED  
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO),

IS OO: CHICAGO.

ADMINISTRATIVE

NO LHM FOLLOWS. LOCAL DISSEMINATION BEING MADE. DEMONSTRATION  
OBSERVED BY SPECIAL AGENTS [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] b7c  
[REDACTED]

END

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/20/73

FROM: *G/BWA* SAC, DENVER (100-10996) (P)

SUBJECT: *b7C* [REDACTED] *COLO*  
SM - VVAW/WSO  
(OO: DENVER) *MO*

*b7C* Re Denver letter to the Bureau, dated 5/17/73, captioned, [REDACTED], EM - REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES, OO: DN"; Denver LHM, dated 8/30/73 captioned, [REDACTED] SM - REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES (VVAW), enclosed with Denver letter captioned, "SCOTT CAMIL; ETAL, ARL-CONSPIRACY, EID" (BUFILE: 176-2255) and Denver letter to the Bureau, dated 11/13/73, captioned, "VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, IS - VVAW/WSO (BUFILE: 100-448092)".

Last reference indicated file on WOLFE was being reopened in view of her presence at VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee meeting, St. Louis, Missouri, 8/23 - 27/73.

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[REDACTED] VVAW/WSO, Denver [REDACTED] advises that [REDACTED] VVAW/WSO Office and is definitely not currently involved in regional activities since she has not been at regional staff meetings.

On 11/14/73, of the "Rocky Mountain News" a daily Denver, Colorado newspaper lists WOLFE and one MARY ANN JAMES, "both" active in two anti-war veterans groups" are members of the Defense Committee for Army Private RICHARD BUCKLIN who is being tried at Ft. Carson, Colorado, for having fled from active duty. BUCKLIN spent five years in Sweden during the Vietnam war.

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Inasmuch as [REDACTED] does not appear to be a leader or even very active in VVAW matters and inasmuch as it is known that she is [REDACTED] DAVID ROSEN, a VVAW regional leader in Denver is closing its case on [REDACTED] subject to reopening it should she become an active participant in VVAW/WSO.

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2 - Denver  
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SAC, MILWAUKEE (100-20598) (C)

[REDACTED] b7C  
SM - VVAW (Stevens Point  
Veterans for Peace)

OO: MILWAUKEE

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Re Milwaukee report of SA [REDACTED]  
dated 7/12/73, captioned as above, and Bureau letter to  
Milwaukee, 10/17/73, captioned "VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST  
THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, IS - VVAW/WSO."

Re Milwaukee report contains full descriptive  
information regarding subject. Milwaukee continues contact  
on a routine basis with sources contacted in this matter.  
The VVAW group on the University of Wisconsin (UW) - Stevens  
Point campus continues to remain an inactive group. Source  
continue to be in a position to advise if the group again  
becomes active. Previous recommendation re subject and  
ADEX remains as stated in re report; not recommended for  
inclusion.

Subject remains as recipient of VVAW literature  
for group in Stevens Point.

The subject has not been interviewed since his  
reaction to an interview cannot be assessed. Subject  
could be cooperative or could publicize Bureau interest,  
thereby activating student interest. UACB, Milwaukee  
recommends against interview of subject at this time.

- 3 - Bureau (RM) [REDACTED] b7C
- 2 - (100- [REDACTED])
- 1 - (100-448092) (VVAW/WSO)
- 3 - Milwaukee
- 2 - (100-20598)
- 1 - (100-15674) (VVAW/WSO)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/21/73

FROM : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (100-17095) (RUC)

SUBJECT: WISCONSIN AMNESTY PROJECT, SPONSORED BY  
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER  
SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, MADISON, WISCONSIN,  
10/26 - 28/73  
IS - VVAW

OO: MILWAUKEE

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Re Milwaukee teletype to Bureau dated 10/25/73.

This matter has been followed with established sources and informants, particularly [redacted] since receipt of referenced teletype and no information has been developed that anyone from the Minneapolis Division area attended captioned event.

In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted by Minneapolis in this matter.

- ② - Bureau (RM)
  - 1 - Milwaukee (100-21561) (INFO) (RM)
  - 3 - Minneapolis
    - (1 - 100-15819)
    - (1 - [redacted])
- PBC: dea  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)  
FROM : SAC, BUTTE (100-9147) (P)  
SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST  
THE WAR (VVAW);  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO)  
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Enclosed for the Bureau and Chicago is one copy each of the following material made available by \_\_\_\_\_ whose identity is known to the Bureau, on 11/12/73:

Newsletter entitled, "Discharge Upgrading Project #1";

Letter from New York City Chapter of VVAW/WSO;

Letter from Cincinnati, Ohio, Chapter of VVAW/WSO;

Letter entitled, "Proposal For A Winter Soldier Investigation on Concealment of US Casualties in Vietnam";

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 11) (AM) (Reg.)
- 2 - Chicago (100-50772) (Enc. 11) (AM) (Reg.)
- 4 - Butte

(1 - 100-9356 - VVAW/WSO  
Boise-Mountain Home Chapter)

(1 - \_\_\_\_\_  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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D. Publication

The Alabama-Mississippi-Tennessee Region of the VVAW/WSO publishes a typewritten newsletter distributed on an infrequent basis from the Regional Office in Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

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[REDACTED] 6/8/72

III. ACTIVITIES

An article appearing in "The Tuscaloosa News", a newspaper of general circulation in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and dated November 4, 1971, indicated that the VVAW held an anti-war rally at the University of Alabama on November 4, 1971. Members of the group spoke out against U. S. involvement in the war in Southeast Asia.

There were no meetings of the VVAW during December, 1971 or January, 1972, at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa.

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[REDACTED] 1/27/72

It was ascertained that in March of 1972, the VVAW was not very active at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa.

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[REDACTED] 3/18/72

A noontime anti-war rally was held at the University of Alabama on April 12, 1973. This rally was sponsored by the Alabama-Mississippi region of the VVAW, however, only ten people showed up at the rally. Because of poor attendance, the rally was cancelled. Present at the rally were [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

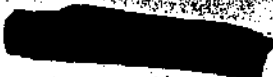
b7c [REDACTED]  
Captain [REDACTED]  
University of Alabama  
Police Department, 4/12/73

The VVAW held a meeting at the University of Alabama on March 28, 1972. Only twelve people attended this meeting.

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[REDACTED] 3/29/72

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Letter entitled, "Organizational Membership  
and Participation in NCUUA";

Newsletter dated October 27, 1973;

Minutes of the Regional Meeting - Ithaca,  
New York, October 13-14, 1973;

Newsletter dated November 4, 1973;

Newsletter dated November, 1973;

Newsletter dated October 23;

Letter entitled, "Disposition of Richard Bucklin".



COORDINATOR [REDACTED] REGION OF VVAW/USO [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

SOURCE IS ACQUAINTED WITH AND COMPLETELY ACCEPTED BY  
VVAW/WSO MEMBERS, INCLUDING SOME FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] HE PARTICIPATED IN THE  
DEMONSTRATIONS BY THE VVAW/WSO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND AS RESULT IS ACQUAINTED WITH SEVERAL LEADERS  
AND MEMBERS OF VVAW/WSO IN [REDACTED] b2.b7D

BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO SEND [REDACTED] TO NSCM AND  
TO PAY HIM FOLLOWING AMOUNTS IN CONNECTION WITH ATTENDANCE  
FOR PERIOD 12-26,31-73:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] FROM [REDACTED] INCLUSIVE. IT  
IS NOTED THAT BY [REDACTED] SOURCE

[REDACTED] THESE TWO DAYS  
ARE INCLUDED IN THE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

SOURCE'S [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS ESTIMATED AT [REDACTED]

SOURCE'S REGISTRATION FEE, WHICH INCLUDES FOOD AND LODGING  
PER RE AIRTEL IS \$10.00.

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IN ADDITION, AN AMOUNT OF \$35.00 IS REQUESTED FOR SUCH ITEMS AS CONTRIBUTIONS, LITERATURE, ADDITIONAL FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS.

TOTAL OF ABOVE EXPENSES IS \$195.00 FOR PERIOD 12-27,31-73. UPON SOURCES RETURN SOURCE WILL BE DEBRIEFED AND HIS SERVICES EVALUATED. IF AT THAT TIME HIS SERVICES WARRANT A BONUS PAYMENT OVER AND ABOVE HIS REGULARLY AUTHORIZED AMOUNTS FOR SERVICES OF \$375.00, A RECOMMENDATION WILL BE MADE FOR SUCH BONUS.

FOR INFORMATION OF CI, SOURCE UTILIZES CODE NAME [REDACTED] IF ABLE TO CONTACT THE CI OFFICE. SUCH CONTACT WILL BE DIFFICULT DUE TO FACT ATTENDERS WILL BE RESIDING TOGETHER IN DORMITORY AND SECURE CONDITIONS FOR A PHONE CALL MAY NOT EXIST. CI FURNISH ANY SPECIAL NUMBERS TO BE UTILIZED SHOULD CONTACT BE POSSIBLE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

DATE: 12/27/73

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CLEVELAND (100-32984) (C)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAW)  
AKRON CHAPTER  
IS - VVAW

Re Cleveland letter to Bureau, dated 9/13/73.

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*b7c*  
[redacted] Security, Akron University, Akron, Ohio, has been contacted on a regular basis, more specifically on 9/17/73, 10/19/73 and 12/17/73 concerning captioned group. He has advised on each occasion that he has received no information reflecting that a VVAW chapter exists in Akron. He advised that he has contacted numerous individuals on campus who would be knowledgeable of a VVAW chapter if one did exist and he has received no information that one does exist.

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On 9/24/73 [redacted] furnished a document listing the local chapters of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War - Winter Soldier Organization. This document had no listing for a VVAW chapter in Akron.

*b2, b7D*  
On 10/12/73 [redacted] furnished VVAW/WSO newsletter number 5 and 25 with Midwest Chapter Contact List. Again no mention was made of a VVAW chapter at Akron University. It is noted however, that a listing is made for [redacted] Akron, Ohio.

CARMEDY is the former president of the Kent State University (KSU), Kent, Ohio VVAW chapter. It is noted that Kent and Akron are adjacent to each other and many KSU students reside in Akron. Investigation has revealed no activity by CARMEDY in Akron and his activities thus far have been confined to KSU.

2 - Bureau (RM)  
1 - Cleveland

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Ohio  
Referenced communication reflected that [redacted] had been listed in a local newspaper article as the president of the VVAW in Akron. Investigation has revealed no activity by [redacted] in association with VVAW activities nor any other revolutionary activities.

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On 11/15/73 Miss [redacted] (protect), [redacted] Akron University (AU), Akron, Ohio advised that [redacted] is not currently enrolled as a student.

No information concerning captioned group has been disseminated outside the Bureau.

In view of the fact that it appears that no VVAW chapter exists in Akron and therefore no investigation warranted, this matter is being placed in a closed status by Cleveland.

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NITEL

TO: SACs, PHILADELPHIA (100-51647)  
CHICAGO  
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12/22/73

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FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) -3403

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR-WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO) INTERNAL SECURITY.

REPHTEL 12/21/73.

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YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO ADVANCE [REDACTED] UP TO \$195 FOR EXPENSES  
IN CONNECTION WITH TRAVEL TO CINCINNATI AS STATED IN REFERENCED TELE-  
TYPE. OBTAIN STRICT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENDITURES UPON SOURCE'S RETURN.  
SOURCE SHOULD BE CAREFULLY DEBRIEFED UPON HIS RETURN AND CURRENT  
REPORTING PROCEDURES FOLLOWED.

1 - [REDACTED] (6221 IR) b7C

RLS:jcp  
(4) jcp

NOTE:

Source has been requested to attend by Eastern  
Pennsylvania Region of VVAW/WSO. He is authorized to receive  
up to \$375 per month for services and is a valuable informant  
and should attend this key meeting. Approval for response  
obtained by [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] acting for  
W. R. Wannall.

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- Assoc. Dir. \_\_\_\_\_
- Asst. Dir.:
- Admin. \_\_\_\_\_
- Comp. Syst. \_\_\_\_\_
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ON 12/18/73 CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED ~~SAM SCHORR~~, <sup>Ohio</sup> VVAW/WSO NATIONAL COORDINATOR, HAS STATED THE FOLLOWING NATIONAL COORDINATORS WILL ATTEND THE FORTHCOMING NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), ANTIOCH COLLEGE, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, 12/27-31/73, SINCE THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE SCHEDULED FOR RE-NOMINATION AND/OR ELECTION TO CONTINUE THEIR POSITIONS OF NATIONAL COORDINATOR: ~~SCHORR~~, ~~BARRY ROMO~~, ~~EDWARD DAMATO~~ AND ~~BRIAN ADMAS~~.



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SCHORR ADVISED RICHARD BANGERT, VVAW/WSO NATIONAL COORDINATOR, IS SCHEDULED TO REMAIN IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, AND HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO MAINTAIN VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICE SECURITY DURING DURATION OF NSCM. BANGERT WILL NOT BE RE-NOMINATED FOR THE POSITION OF NATIONAL COORDINATOR UNTIL THE NEXT NSCM.

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FROM

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR - WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) INTERNAL SECURITY.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE RELIABLE IN PAST, ADVISED

VVAW/WSO MEMBERS, ARE DEPARTING

BY 4:00 PM, 12-26-73, VIA

ENROUTE VVAW/WSO NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM) AT ONTIOCH COLLEGE, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO 12-27,31-73.

SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED ABOVE GROUP WILL MAKE

ON NIGHT OF 12-26-73, TO MEET UP WITH

VVAW/WSO MEMBERS FROM

TO ATTEND NSCM UTILIZING

IF WEATHER PERMITS, BOTH OF TO YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO DURING NIGHT OF 12-26-73.

ADMINISTRATIVE; RE NITEL 12-21-73. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IS

WHO VI ATTENDING NSCM.

FURNISHED NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF SA TO CONTACT IN CINCINNATI DIVISION BUT ALSO CONTINUED TO MAKE CONTACT ONLY WHEN ABSOLUTE SECURITY EXISTS.

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FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-54447) (RUC)

SUBJECT: *WISCONSIN AMNESTY PROJECT SPONSORED BY VIET NAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR - WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, MADISON, WISCONSIN 10/26-28/73 IS-VVAM/WSO OO: MILWAUKEE*

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Re Milwaukee letter to Director, FBI dated 12/20/73; Chicago airtel to Director dated 11/5/73; and Chicago FD-306 dated 11/6/73 (Karl Armstrong Defense Committee).

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Referenced Chicago airtel to Director, FBI (copy to Milwaukee) explained that [redacted] failed to attend captioned conference, however attended "free Karl Armstrong Rally" instead.

Referenced FD-306 reveals source's attendance at this rally.

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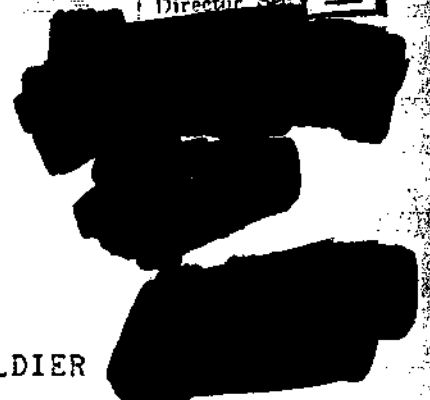
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ATTN: INTD.

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAW) - WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (WSO); IS - VVAW/WSO.

RE SA NITEL TO THE BUREAU, 12/13/73.

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ON 12/18/73, [REDACTED], WHO IS FAMILIAR WITH ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIP OF VVAW/WSO IN HOUSTON, TEXAS, ADVISED HE DOES NOT KNOW OF ANY HOUSTON VVAW MEMBER OR ASSOCIATE WHO POSSESSES A TOYOTA VEHICLE.

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SOURCE ALSO REPORTED HE HAS RECEIVED NO INFORMATION, EITHER AT VVAW MEETINGS OR OTHERWISE, TO INDICATE TRIP TO NEW YORK STATE BY ANY VVAW MEMBER OR ASSOCIATE.

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[REDACTED] WILL REMAIN ALERT FOR INFO CONCERNING ABOVE

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# Memorandum

DATE: 1/3/74

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

FROM : SAC, ALBANY (100-22519) (P)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
REGIONAL MEETING OF NEW YORK  
NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, ONEONTA, NEW YORK  
12/7/73 - 12/9/73  
IS - VVAW/WSO

(OO: Chicago)

Re Albany airtel and LHM to Bureau, dated 12/27/73.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of amended Page 3 of referenced LHM. Also enclosed for each receiving office are three copies of amended Page 3 of referenced LHM.

On Page 3 of referenced LHM, [redacted] was inadvertently omitted and he is the most active member of the Oneonta Chapter.

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO); MI FILE 100-15674; BUFILE 100-448092. (P)

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[REDACTED] SM - VVAW; OO: MILWAUKEE. MI FILE 100-18598; BUFILE 100-472276. (P)

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FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU AND CHICAGO, A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN PAST, ADVISED INSTANT DATE [REDACTED], WHO IS PRESENTLY EMPLOYED AS FULL-TIME SECRETARY AND HEAD OF WOMEN'S CAUCUS FOR VVAW/WSO MILWAUKEE CHAPTER, PLANS TO TRAVEL TO CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, THIS DATE AND HOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE AT THE VVAW REGIONAL OFFICE AT CHICAGO AT APPROXIMATELY 1:30

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OF CHICAGO. [REDACTED] HAS RECENTLY RETURNED FROM THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL (WPC) HELD AT MOSCOW, U.S.S.R., 10/25-31/73. (u)

SOURCE STATED THAT WHILE IN MOSCOW, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RECEIVED LITTLE OR NO ATTENTION FROM THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES. [REDACTED] ALSO IS QUITE PERTURBED WITH THE TREATMENT THAT SHE RECEIVED FROM THE WISCONSIN COMMUNIST PARTY (CP) AND IN PARTICULAR [REDACTED] OF THE WISCONSIN CP, WHO ALSO TRAVELED TO THE WPC, MOSCOW.

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[REDACTED] IS A CP WISCONSIN MEMBER AND MIDWEST REGIONAL CHAIRMAN OF THE PEOPLES'S COALITION FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE (PCPJ). [REDACTED] HAS STATED RECENTLY AT MILWAUKEE THAT VVAW SHOULD DENOUNCE THE CP AND THE WAY THE CP HAS TREATED VVAW. SOURCE STATES THAT HE ANTICIPATES [REDACTED] PUBLICLY DENOUNCE THE CP AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE THIS DATE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. (S) u

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SOURCE IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED]

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Reporting Office <b>BIRMINGHAM</b>	Office of Origin <b>CHICAGO</b>	Date <b>12/28/73</b>	Investigative Period <b>12/13 - 17/73</b>
Title of Case <b>VETERAN VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI, TENNESSEE REGION</b>		Report made by SA [REDACTED] <b>b7c</b>	Typed By <b>ljs</b>
Character of Case <b>IS - VVAW/WSO</b>			

Non-Prosecutive SUMMARY **b7c**

**REFERENCES:**

Report of SA [REDACTED] St. Louis, 10/12/73. **100-448092-3274**  
 Birmingham letter to Bureau, 10/31/73. **100-448092-3241**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE:**

Attached are two copies of an FD-376.

A copy of this report is being disseminated locally to U. S. Secret Service, Birmingham, Alabama.

As the VVAW/WSO group in Tuscaloosa, Ala., is relatively inactive, holds few meetings or other functions, and is principally controlled by [REDACTED] source coverage has not been established. [REDACTED] a newly developed potential source, has been [REDACTED] and further efforts will be made in this regard. **b2 b7c**

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Approved <i>[Signature]</i>	Special Agent in Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
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Current pending cases are open in the [redacted] Division concerning [redacted]. The Bureau will be advised by separate communications as to further investigation contemplated in these matters.

INFORMANTS:

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LEADS:

JACKSON, KNOXVILLE, MEMPHIS AND MOBILE DIVISIONS

Will report activities of VVAW Chapter activity in your respective division.

BIRMINGHAM

At Tuscaloosa, Alabama:

Will follow and report activities of the VVAW.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

December 28, 1973

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 100-6041

RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO),  
ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI, TENNESSEE REGION

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

- 1.  Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
- 2.  Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
- 3.  Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
- 4.  Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
- 5.  Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
- 6.  Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
- 7.  Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph  has been furnished  enclosed  is not available.

Very truly yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - U. S. Secret Service, Birmingham  
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Report of: SA [redacted] b7C  
Date: 12/28/73

Office: Birmingham

Field Office File #: 100-6041

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Title: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI, TENNESSEE REGION

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

Synopsis: Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) originally formed a chapter at Tuscaloosa, Ala., during May of 1971 as a part of the Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, Florida region. Other chapters later formed at Birmingham and Auburn, Ala. Alabama - Mississippi region of the VVAW/WSO formed in February 1972 and later enlarged to include the State of Tennessee during April of 1973. Regional Coordinator identified as [redacted] and Alabama State Coordinators as [redacted] and later [redacted] Membership participates in anti-war rallies, but are described as non-violent. Region co-sponsors "Operation County Fair" at Bogue Chitto (Dallas County), Ala.

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DETAILS:

I. PREDICATION

This investigation is based on information which indicates that captioned organization is engaged in activities which could involve violations of Title 18, U. S. Code 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of the Government), 2387 (Sedition), 793 (Espionage), 844 (Explosives and Incendiary Devices), 2155-56 (Sabotage) and 2101 (Antiriot Laws).

VVAW/WSO was organized in New York City in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam veterans to protest the American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. VVAW/WSO engaged in various protest activities but during late 1971 demonstrated increasing militancy, culminating in December, 1971, with VVAW/WSO takeover of various American landmarks and public buildings. Information was also developed indicating that some VVAW/WSO chapters were cooperating with or infiltrated by communist-dominated groups including the Communist Party, USA, and the Socialist Workers Party. Certain VVAW/WSO leaders were quoted as telling members VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary organization and not "just another group of war veterans". VVAW/WSO leaders have traveled to North Vietnam and have reportedly established liaison with revolutionary or terrorist groups internationally. During July, 1972, VVAW/WSO leaders and members were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Tallahassee, Florida, for violation of Federal statutes, including conspiracy to riot during Republican National Convention, August, 1972. One of these individuals was also indicted for possession of an unregistered explosive and incendiary device. In January, 1973, at a National Steering Committee meeting, VVAW/WSO leaders discussed programs aimed at obtaining support from or influencing active duty military personnel. They also discussed obtaining access to classified Government information to be used against U. S. interests and one leader subsequently actively engaged in such activity. There were also indications at this meeting that VVAW/WSO activists possessed the technical knowledge and training to carry out any revolutionary program proposed. In addition, information has been reported from a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, that a VVAW/WSO member previously discussed engaging in sabotage and was possibly involved in the destruction of a munitions train in Arizona. VVAW/WSO is currently headquartered in Chicago, Illinois.

The Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee Region of the VVAW/WSO is a recognized member and participant in the National Organization of the VVAW/WSO and adheres to the stated principles of the National Organization.

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6/8/73

II. ORGANIZATION

A. Origin

Information was received at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, indicating that there was a formation of a new chapter of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. The current president of this chapter is an individual known as [REDACTED] b7C

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A meeting of the VVAW was held on August 23, 1971, at the residence of [REDACTED]. At this meeting [REDACTED] was identified as the Alabama Coordinator of the VVAW. Discussion at this meeting centered around general anti-war activities for the coming Fall semester at the University.

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8/26/73

An article appearing in Volume 81, No. 9, of the "Crimson-White", a student newspaper of general circulation at the University of Alabama, and dated September 13, 1971, reflected that TOM ASHBY attended a meeting of the Student Mobilization Committee (SMC) and explained the objectives of the VVAW. ASHBY made the statement that the VVAW is a non-violent organization and would not participate in civil disobedience.

The Student Mobilization Committee (SMC) is controlled by the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) and its youth affiliate, Young Socialist Alliance (YSA). SMC initiates and supports public demonstrations against United States involvement in Southeast Asia.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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The YSA is a multi-national revolutionary socialist youth organization. It is the youth group of the SWP and is controlled and dominated by that organization.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

B. Scope

During October 1971, it was determined that there were five or six members of the Birmingham, Alabama Chapter of the VVAW. This group was headed by an individual known as [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] has never made any statements indicating a propensity for violence.

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[REDACTED] 10/8/71

During a National Steering Committee Meeting of the VVAW, held between February 18 and 21, 1972, at Denver, Colorado, the "Alabama-Mississippi" region of the VVAW was formed from the old Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, Florida region. Attending the Steering Committee Meeting as Regional Coordinator was [REDACTED] Alabama.

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[REDACTED] 2/20/73

Information provided in June 1972 still listed [REDACTED] as Regional Coordinator of the Alabama-Mississippi Region of the VVAW.

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[REDACTED] 6/9/72

Information provided in April 1973 listed chapters, Regional Office and Project Office for the Alabama-Mississippi Region of the VVAW. Those listed were as follows:

[REDACTED] - Regional Office,  
314 16th Street, East,  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

[REDACTED] - 720 23rd Street, Southwest,  
Birmingham, Alabama

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VVAW - c/o Curry, Box 1023,  
University of Mississippi,  
Oxford, Mississippi

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[REDACTED] - 244 Pane Street,  
Auburn, Alabama

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[REDACTED] 4/11/73

During a National Steering Committee Meeting of the VVAW held between April 19 and 23, 1973, at Placitas, New Mexico, it was proposed that the Alabama-Mississippi Region of the VVAW annex the State of Tennessee. This proposal received unanimous acceptance at this Steering Committee Meeting. No member or representative of the Alabama-Mississippi Region was present at the meeting, but all voting for these proposals were handled by proxy.

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[REDACTED] 5/7/73

A VVAW/WSO Chapter List listed the following breakdown for the Alabama-Mississippi-Tennessee Region:

Regional Office,  
VVAW/WSO,  
1317 14th Avenue,  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

State Coordinator,  
[REDACTED] Street,  
Auburn, Alabama

State Coordinator,  
[REDACTED] South,  
Birmingham, Alabama

[REDACTED] Street,  
Auburn, Alabama

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[REDACTED]

Street, Southwest,  
Birmingham, Alabama

VVAW/WSO - c/o Curry,  
Box 1023,  
University of Mississippi,  
Oxford, Mississippi

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[REDACTED]

Street,  
Memphis, Tennessee

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C. Objective

An article appearing in Volume 81, No. 19, of the "Crimson-White", a student newspaper of general circulation at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, and dated October 18, 1971, reflects the following article by FRANK ANGAROLA under the caption "Vets Explains Objectives".

This article, in part, reflects the following:

"In full view of the Nixon Administration, citizens of the United States and people all over the World, the Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) went to Washington to show the American people that the war in Vietnam is totally wrong. Trained to mete out deadly violence, they showed through their own non-violence, their total dedication to the cessation of all hostilities in Southeast Asia."

"This past Summer here in Tuscaloosa, a small group of Veterans organized a chapter of the VVAW. We feel that the University community must be educated concerning our purposes and activities."

"The pre-May Day demonstration in Washington constituted the first step in what will be a continuing effort to end the Vietnam War. This is the first and primary objective of the VVAW. Thus we must concentrate our efforts towards insuring that soon the day will come when not one more human must die on the battle field in vain."

.....  
"We are extremely concerned about the activities of certain governmental and military agencies."

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"The membership is also dedicated to the correction of those domestic, social, political and economic factors which have caused the war and have nurtured it through the last ten years of direct American involvement. The need for education relating to the American people, the true nature of military indoctrination and dehumanization is also clear. The racism which pushes our minorities through inferior schools and into combat arms; the psychological conditioning which turns our young men into cold blooded efficient killers; the indoctrination which causes the soldiers to view the Vietnamese people as something less than human; the blatant disregard for the rights of the American serviceman, guaranteed to him by the U. S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights; the condemnation, scorn and reprisals heaped on those brave individuals who refused to wage an unjust war; all these matters must be brought into full view of the American people. The VVAW, through a continuing program of education, will attempt to do this."

The objectives of the VVAW were also contained in newsletter No. 19, published by the Vietnam Veterans Against the War, Alabama-Mississippi Region. These objectives are set forth as follows:

ALABAMA - MISSISSIPPI

VETERAN LEAGUES

AGAINST  
THE WAR

1317 11th Ave.  
Tuscaloosa, Ala.  
365-9719 or 365-6773

### OBJECTIVES OF VVAW

1. To demand an immediate cessation of fighting and the withdrawal of all American troops, planes, and military and economic aid from Indochina. We cannot allow one more human being to be killed in Southeast Asia.
2. To demand the immediate termination of all other operations by the United States government, its agencies, and American business interests that are designed to suppress the rightful struggles for liberation and self-determination of the Peoples of Africa, Asia, and Latin America. This includes the maintenance of dictatorial governments, economic domination, and the theft of the natural resources of other countries.
3. To demand that all active-duty servicemen and women be afforded the same rights that are guaranteed by the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights that are presently denied by the Uniform Code of Military Justice. We are appalled that active-duty GI's are treated as less than first class citizens. We endorse the efforts of our active-duty brothers and sisters in their struggle to democratize the military.
4. To support all military personnel refusing to serve against their consciences in wars at home and abroad. We demand that Congress enact legislation for the immediate repatriation of those brothers and sisters who are in prison or in self-exile by reason of their refusal to serve in the military. This legislation must also include an end to all repression and a freeing of all political prisoners.
5. To demand that there be no distinctions as to types of discharge and that a single type of discharge be issued, and that this be retroactive. We also demand that all veterans receive all rights and benefits under the VA; and that compensation for disabilities be based solely upon the degree of disability for veterans and their families, without regard to sex, race, rank, or length of service.
6. To make clear that the United States has never undertaken an extensive, open investigation of American war crimes in Indochina. We demand that the United States government, in its war in Indochina, affirm the principles of Nuremberg. As active-duty and former GI's, we recognize the responsibility and guilt of the individual soldier to refrain from committing war crimes. We also recognize that the responsibility and guilt for war crimes committed in the name of America lies with our policy makers at all levels.
7. To show Americans that our society is permeated by racism, which manipulates Whites into viewing non-Whites as inferior or less than human. This racism pushes Third World People through inferior schools to inferior jobs and into the combat arms. Thus Third World People are sent off to die in disproportionately high numbers as we kill Asians indiscriminately. We also demand that the U.S. military recognize its complicity in America's domestic and international racism.
8. To show that sexism plays a major part in promoting war. We must show Americans our society is permeated by sexism, which forces an inferior status upon women; reducing them to subservient sexual objects; and which robs both men and women of their natural growth. This institutionalized sexism channels women into unfulfilling, lower paying jobs which are servile in nature and purpose; it exploits their bodies for sex and profit; and it degrades and dehumanizes them by a double standard of morality wholly dependent on the myth of male supremacy. This sexism is exploited by the military, officially defining servicemen as subordinate and thoroughly subjugating them to servile work and the role of a sexual object. We resolve to fight sexism within our society, within our own organization, and within ourselves.
9. To dedicate ourselves to these principles and objectives which directly relate to the imperialist suppression of the People of the World by the United States government. We understand this war in imperialist origin and affirm that the membership of VVAW is not only concerned with ending this war, but with changing the domestic social, political, and economic institutions that have caused and perpetuated its continuance.

On one recent day, in Quang Tri Province alone -- an area not much larger than Rhode Island -- we dropped twenty-five hundred tons of bombs, with three or four times the blast-damage force of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima. That is what the war has come down to. In this year's Presidential elections, the country will be brought face to face with the question of the war. In Ala-Miss this will happen only if we (you and I) make it happen, but it is a changed war now, and a changed country. The country has been brought to the point of exhaustion by the war. It is an exhaustion of sensibility, however -- not physical exhaustion. Most of us find it more tiring to think about the war than to wage the war. Thinking about the war takes special effort, after all these years. On the other hand, waging the war is easy. All you have to do is to go on with business as usual. This is enough because the war has become part of America's business as usual. The war has inertia on its side. In a strange reversal of the usual order of things, it requires inaction to fight the war and action to stop fighting it. And because it takes so little for most of us to go on with the war, we sometimes get the feeling that someone else is waging it, or that no one is waging it -- as though the computers and the B-52's could wage it by themselves. Yet in fact it is no one but ourselves who are killing the Vietnamese. If we are not killing them, who is? Some people go as far as to maintain that the war is over. But what has happened is only that its shape has been changed to fit the public mood in the U.S. For the Vietnamese, the war is in its most punishing phase.

But if the war is the only reality for the Vietnamese, who are living with it, it is almost wholly unreal to Americans, who are supplying most of the explosives. This is partly because what we are doing in Vietnam isn't like war as we have known it in the past. War is fought against an enemy, but who is the U.S.'s enemy in Vietnam? The North Vietnamese cannot harm us now and never will be able to harm us. They can just barely harm the force we are using to destroy them. The enemy can hardly be the Chinese, who we are told, will soon be flying about in American 707's. And surely it isn't the Russians, whose Party Chairman now drives a Cadillac given him by President Nixon. Wars involve risks, but in what is happening in Vietnam the risks to most Americans are nil, and the combat casualties of those in the theater of war are regularly lower than the casualties resulting from accidents. For Americans, Vietnam is less a battlefield than an open pen that we fire into at will as the people flee in masses from one side to another. War is a contest. The people we are killing are unable to pit their arms against our arms. Instead, they have pitted their willingness to suffer and die against our willingness to torment and kill. Our strategy is to punish them until they can no longer endure the punishment and must give up. This is the logic of the torture chamber, not of the battlefield. Wars call for sacrifices, but few people on the home front are being asked to make any. Those who lose their sons don't find that the burden of their loss is being shared.

All in all, the American endeavor in Vietnam is more like a factory than like a war. It's a war in which the assembly line ends in the villages of Vietnam. None of the Americans participating are ever reminded that they are involved in anything out of the ordinary -- not the scientist who designs the weapons, not the worker and the executive who manufacture them, not the taxpayer who pays for it all. And, at the end of the line, the pilots who deliver the bombs to the Vietnamese villages are as undisturbed as milkmen delivering bottles to the doorsteps of American homes. There are all kinds of factories, and the American machine in Vietnam is a death factory. We are its workers and its consumers, our ships and planes are its moving parts, and the Vietnamese are its raw materials. In this new guise, the war has become so much a part of our lives that we scarcely notice it any longer. In a way, those who claim that the U.S. is no longer active in Vietnam are right. The war cannot now be seen as something we are doing; it is what we are.

--from a July issue of the New Yorker



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During June of 1972, it was determined that the VVAW continued to have chapter meetings in Tuscaloosa on an infrequent basis and it was considered that the VVAW was fairly inactive. There were only ten or twelve members in the group and they still continued under the leadership of [REDACTED]. The group still professed non-violence.

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[REDACTED] 6/26/72

[REDACTED] members of the Tuscaloosa Chapter of the VVAW intend to attend the Republican National Convention in Miami, Florida, during August of 1972. Those planning to attend include [REDACTED] and others. Departure plans indicate that these individuals will leave Tuscaloosa on [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] 8/3/72

RENNIE DAVIS, a member of the "Chicago 7" appeared at the University of Alabama, in Tuscaloosa, on August 10, 1973. DAVIS was accompanied by [REDACTED] local leader of the VVAW. This appearance was sponsored by the University of Alabama Center, a student funded organization that is responsible for bringing entertainment and speakers to the campus. Speaking arrangements for DAVIS were arranged by [REDACTED] another member of the VVAW. DAVIS spoke to about 20-25 persons concerning the Republican National Convention to be held in Miami, Florida.

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Sergeant [REDACTED]  
University of Alabama  
Police Department,  
8/10/72

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] of the Tuscaloosa Chapter of the VVAW attended the Republican National Convention and neither were involved in the street activities while there. The Tuscaloosa Chapter has special activities for the coming year. [REDACTED] is on the State Executive Committee of the VVAW and [REDACTED] is still listed as the Coordinator.

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[REDACTED] 9/18/72

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b7C The Auburn, Alabama Chapter of the VVAW held a meeting on October 11, 1972 at [redacted] Street, Auburn, Alabama. This meeting was led by [redacted]. The purpose of the meeting was to seek participation in a Veteran's Day Parade to be held in Birmingham, Alabama, on October 23, 1972. [redacted] indicated that the group in Auburn received instructions from [redacted] at Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

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10/16/72

Twelve to fifteen members of the VVAW met in Woodrow Wilson Park, Birmingham, Alabama, prior to the Veteran's Day Parade. Representatives of this group requested permission to march in the parade, but were refused. During the parade, members of the VVAW handed out leaflets denouncing the war in Southeast Asia. No disruptions or other violent activity occurred during this parade.

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Lieutenant [redacted]  
Birmingham Police Department,  
10/23/72

The VVAW at Tuscaloosa is quite non-violent, is not very active and has had no regular meetings for several months.

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12/20/72

b7C The VVAW is thoroughly inactive. [redacted] and [redacted] had a falling out in early 1973 and since the war is apparently ending in Southeast Asia, the local group at Tuscaloosa is at a loss as to how to continue as an organized group.

b7C The VVAW at Tuscaloosa is fairly unactive and meets infrequently at either the [redacted] or [redacted] Alabama.

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6/8/73

b7C [redacted] of the Tuscaloosa Chapter of the VVAW has initiated the Alabama Veteran's Service Project. It is designed to research the needs of Alabama veterans and then lobby for and introduce legislation to help alleviate these needs.

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6/25/73

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During a National Steering Committee meeting of the VVAW, held at St. Louis, Missouri, between August 23 and August 27, 1973, it was reported that the Alabama-Mississippi-Tennessee Region was not too active. It was also reported that campus veterans are screening the prisons as a form of "out reach" for the organization and work continues on the "peoples farm", also known as "Operation County Fair" at Bogue Chitto, Alabama.

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[REDACTED] 8/25/73

The VVAW at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, is fairly inactive and it is not known whether or not they are holding meetings on a regular basis.

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[REDACTED] 11/14/73

#### IV. OPERATION COUNTY FAIR

b7C The VVAW held a National Steering Committee Meeting at Palo Alto, California, between September 29, 1972 and October 2, 1972. Present at this meeting were representatives from the Alabama-Mississippi VVAW Region. During this National Steering Committee Meeting, various workshops were held among which included a workshop revolving around the "Alabama Project". This workshop was headed by [REDACTED] the Coordinator for the Alabama-Mississippi Region. This project involves the Selma Freedom City near Selma, Alabama. The VVAW plans to organize a team of medics, obtain food, supplies and building materials and then travel to Selma, Alabama, during Christmas this year, and provide them with medical attention, assistance in construction and supply food, clothing and whatever necessities they are able to gather on behalf of the Freedom City. [REDACTED] of San Francisco is coordinating the obtaining of necessary drugs and medicine for this project.

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[REDACTED] 10/5/72

A National Steering Committee of the VVAW was held at Chicago, Illinois, during the time period of January 4 - 8, 1973. During this National Steering Committee meeting, a report was made concerning "Operation County Fair". This report is as follows:

"I. Operation County Fair has been adopted by the Alabama and California regions as an on-going program to provide medical aid for the people of Boca Chita (Brown), Alabama, and to establish a permanent clinic within the community.

"II. It is proposed that VVAW adopt Operation County Fair as an on-going national project and that all the regions be responsible for disseminating information to the ~~chapters and general membership level and communities of~~ those chapters concerning Operation County Fair.

"A. It is felt that Operation County Fair will, as a national project, create new energies, unity and direction within the structure of VVAW and strengthen the bonds of solidarity externally with the black brothers and sisters of Boca Chita and Third World Peoples nationally, rather than being dealt with in the manner of Special Interest groups.

"III. California regional office: 3503 W. Pico  
Los Angeles, California  
accepts the responsibility of compiling and disseminating information, donations, and all the immediate administrative affairs, as Alabama is not prepared to handle the clerical load at this time.

"IV. Alabama County Fair Operations provisional  
Headquarters: 1317 19th Ave  
Tusc, Alabama

Alabama VVAW accepts the responsibility of drafting an organizational proposal incorporating the clinic within the state and also with the Internal Revenue Service as a non-profit volunteer organization, so that donations of money and equipment will be tax deductible and also establishing a provisional co-directorship with aid to the community, with a Board of directors as trusteeship, and from the Black professional community (clergy, doctors, lawyers) until the community is prepared to staff and recommend policy of the clinic, and also create a means of continued fundings.

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"V. The national regions responsibility will be to establish contacts on the regular chapter and general membership level to solicit active support from:

- A. professional personnel - doctors, nurses, business people, etc.
- B. para-professionals-medics and corpsmen
- C. donations to VVAW Operation County Fair, California region
- D. supplies and medical equipment sent to VVAW Alabama, with duplicate packing slip utilizing the United Parcel Service.
- E. any and all help in approaching local foundation and political organization in funding.

"VI. Immediate aid station will be established in the community, and it is estimated that the commitment of building a structure cannot be initiated until April (during Easter vacation) when the California region and supporters from other regions and chapters will convoy to Boca Chita to help with the clinic proper. Personnel should bear in mind that Boca Chita is a poor Black rural community and logistical support should be provided within your own areas: the encampment will be a bivouac arrangement.

- A. primary emphasis on clinic proper
- B. draft counseling-application to Third World
- C. C.I. Rights
- D. special problems of the community
- E. VA counseling
- F. legal aid and political education
- G. DVS with veterans

"VII. What is being done presently with Operation County Fair? The California region has released a mailing (pink sheet) and raised several hundred dollars to date. They are also contacting musical groups for concerts. Los Angeles Free Clinic and Venceremos People Medical clinic have been interviewed and received contacts to solicit supplies, funds, etc. and also were given organizational proposals from a historical perspective, including local struggles, by-laws, etc. Contacts are also being made with

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- "A. HW
- B. Federal programs for rural poor
- C. Public Health Service
- D. Maternal Care Center

"VIII. John Musgrove has outlined in depth some of the problems that have occurred while dealing with the Cairo project--

- A. lack of sensitivity of the desires of the community
- B. COOP by liberals and Third World Peoples
- C. lack of discipline
- D. lack of understanding
- E. paranoia
- F. unconscious racism

these problems were resolved through instituted programs of Survival Revival, fund-raising, local benefits with bands, donations of food and clothing, rap sessions prior to convoy, stressing political education of situation and people, clear definition of individual responsibilities....

"\*\*\*\*\*WE NEED A STERILIZER FOR THE CLINIC\*\*\*\*\*"

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[REDACTED] 1/7/73

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A meeting of the VVAW was held at the Student Union Building at the University of Alabama on the evening of January 23, 1973. One of the things discussed at this meeting was "Operation County Fair", which involves a project at Freedom City near Browns, Alabama, in Dallas County. Nothing specific was discussed about this project since it will not get underway until after April of 1973.

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[REDACTED] 1/24/73

A National Steering Committee Meeting of the VVAW was held at Placitas, New Mexico, during the time period of April 19-23, 1973. One of the items discussed at this National Steering Committee meeting was "Operation County Fair". The report was as follows:

The logistics of the establishment of the clinic are more difficult than was anticipated, but progress is being made. For example, blueprints are there and ready to go. All we need is money and building materials. Communications have been poor so people should re-read the proposal on Operation County Fair which came out of the Chicago National Steering Committee Meeting and stay within the guidelines of that proposal. The Los Angeles Office is a clearing house for the clinic and it is imperative that they know what the regions are doing with regard to what items have been collected. The Los Angeles Office will then compile this information and get it back out to the regions so that everyone can know what we need for the clinic. Regions should consider the possibilities of putting together grant proposals for money and supplies for the clinic. It is vital to build a financial base for the building and operation of the project and grants are a feasible means of getting the funds. The people in Los Angeles and Alabama are now considering putting together a brochure with information on the clinic which can be distributed to interested persons. The Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Clinic has already been incorporated and is tax exempt. They are trying to get tax deductible status.

Representatives from the Peoples Farm were present at the National Steering Committee Meeting and expressed their need for an administrator qualified to run the clinic. Also anyone willing to work on the farm and who is qualified will be welcome. Regions should screen people wanting to go to Alabama before sending them and you should make sure that the people sent will be able to stay for an extended period of time and are willing to work diligently.

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[REDACTED] 5/7/73

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Operation County Fair at Bogue Chitto, Alabama, in Dallas County, has not yet gotten off the ground as there has been a lot of bickering between VVAW members as to how this program should be operated.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Birmingham, Alabama  
December 28, 1973

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 100-6041

Title VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI, TENNESSEE REGION

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - VVAW/WSO **b7C**

Reference Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]  
dated December 28, 1973, at  
Birmingham, Alabama.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

Contact with [REDACTED] was insufficient to establish reliability.

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TO DIRECTOR (ATTN: INTD)

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FROM [redacted] (100-50772) (P) 3P

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BUFILE 100-448092. MIFILE 100-15674.

[redacted] SM - VVAW/WSO. OO: MILWAUKEE.

BUFILE 100-472276. MIFILE 100-18598.

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OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, [REDACTED] AND THESE INDIVIDUALS

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THE PURPOSE OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED LETTER IS TO EXPRESS  
HER DISAPPROVAL OF THE HANDLING OF THIS INCIDENT BY THE

[REDACTED] THIS LETTER STATES IN GENERAL THAT

[REDACTED] REGRETS THIS INCIDENT OCCURRED AND IS VERY DISAPPOINTED

[REDACTED] THE VVAW/WSO  
NATIONAL STAFF CONCURS WITH THE THOUGHTS OF [REDACTED] AND ENDORSES  
HER DISAPPROVAL OF THE LACK OF INVESTIGATION ON THE PART OF  
THE [REDACTED] (K)u

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-473617)

DATE: 1/3/74

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (100-6078) (P)

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] aka  
SM - VVAW/WSO

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OO: LS

RE CI and CG TELS to BU, 12/4/73, both captioned, "VIETNA  
VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER'S ORGANIZATION; IS," and  
LS TEL to BU, 12/4/73, captioned as above.

Enclosed for Cincinnati is one copy of a pamphlet  
captioned "True American Press", P. O. Box 19302, Cincinnati,  
Ohio, 45219.

On 12/14/73, [REDACTED]  
PD, advised that the subject had returned to his residence,  
[REDACTED] and on that date he was  
personally contacted by a representative of the PD concerning  
an occupational license required by the city in connection  
with the printing press being operated at the residence of  
[REDACTED]

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On 12/14/73, [REDACTED] furnished a copy of a pamphlet  
being distributed by the subject, which pamphlet is captioned,  
"True American Press", P. O. Box 19302, Cincinnati, Ohio,  
45219. The pamphlet is dated 10/15/73, and describes the  
availability of a printing press located at [REDACTED] residence.  
According to the pamphlet, [REDACTED] is advising VVAW members that  
the press is available for printing VVAW material.

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The pamphlet further identifies [REDACTED] (LS File  
100-6184), and [REDACTED] (LS File 100-6246), as the  
of the [REDACTED] described himself as the [REDACTED]

- 3 - Bureau (RM) (2 - 100-473617)  
(1 - 100-448092)
- 1 - Chicago (Info) (RM) (100-50772)
- 3 - Cincinnati (Enc. 1) (RM) (2 - 100-20695)  
(1 - 100-19743)
- 5 - Louisville (2 - 100-6078)  
(1 - 100-6246) [REDACTED]  
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representative for the press and those who use it.

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CINCINNATI

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO:

It may be desired to alert appropriate PD and other sources to the fact that the subject has available a printing press for the use of the VVAW/WSO.

LOUISVILLE

AT FT. THOMAS, KENTUCKY:

Will continue to follow subject's activities.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

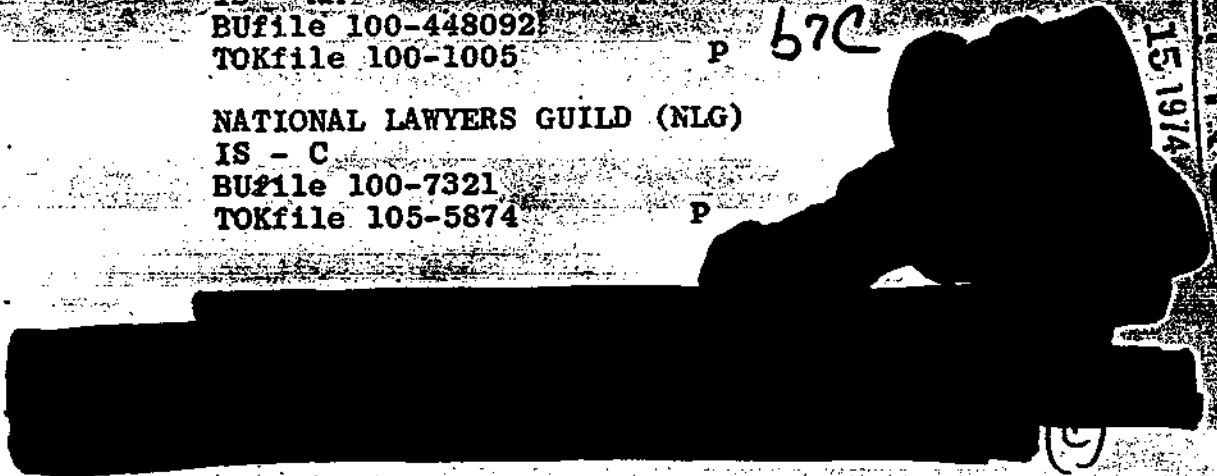
DATE: 1/8/74

FROM : LEGAT, TOKYO

SUBJECT: PACIFIC COUNSELING SERVICE (PCS)  
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TOKfile 100-731 P

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IS - RA  
BUfile 100-448092  
TOKfile 100-1005 P b7c

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD (NLG)  
IS - C  
BUfile 100-7321  
TOKfile 105-5874 P



For information of recipients, during the past year, dissident activity among Americans in Japan has centered in three principal organizations, Pacific Counseling Service (PCS), Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) and National Lawyers Guild (NLG). These three U.S. based organizations all have full-time civilian activities in Japan to further their avowed goal of disrupting U.S. military functions, primarily by subverting U.S. military personnel and discrediting the U.S. Government both at home and abroad.

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PCS, VVAW and NLG operate here much like a can of worms - they share office and living space, have joint meetings, and work together on publications. It is ~~not~~ difficult to separate the activities by organizations. *most (per TOE FD-4 area 11/1/74)*

They presently operate five centers - New Peoples Center at Yokosuka, People's House, United Front and Women's House on Okinawa, and Semper Fi House at Iwakuni, all near concentrations of U.S. military facilities. *[REDACTED]* (The Japan Peace for Vietnam Committee) has worked with PCS, VVAW and NLG in Japan, as have other Japanese radical organizations, from time to time. **67C**

PCS, VVAW and NLG distribute Black Panther Party and Marxist literature, as well as a wide variety of publications by U.S. radical and extremist groups condemning "U.S. imperialism" and designed to undermine military morale.



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To: Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

VICTIM OF THE WAR **b7C**

Subj: AA [REDACTED]

DPOB: [REDACTED]

Ref: (a) [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 1/11/74

SAC, WFO (100-47162) (P)

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SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR -  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
IS - VVAW/WSO  
(OO:CHICAGO)

Reference WFO letter to Bureau dated 12/6/73. b7C

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On January 9, 1974, [redacted] the Political Action Office for VVAW/WSO, at 2028 P Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. (WDC), was contacted at this address by SA [redacted] and furnished the following information.

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[redacted] initiated the conversation by stating that he had nothing to say to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), as he felt FBI interest in his and VVAW activities constituted a violation of constitutional rights. He advised that he would not offer any background information on himself, nor would he say one way or the other if he had attended the National Steering Committee meeting held in Ohio during 12/27-31/73. [redacted] did then volunteer that his political office has been active in getting signatures from vets demanding the enactment of a universal unconditional amnesty law passed for all war resisters. In addition, he stated that his office has attended meetings of and will lend assistance to the National Campaign to Impeach the President, which is headquartered in WDC.

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Subsequent conversation with [redacted] centered on what the current VVAW objectives are, and the direction in which current VVAW leaders are trying to move the organization. [redacted] stated that all information regarding objectives of VVAW are publicly stated in the VVAW/WSO publication, "Winter Soldier", and at this time supplied writer with the January, 1974, issue of this publication. He stated writer could read what the objectives of the VVAW organization are, but that he would not volunteer any information.

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- 1-Chicago (100-50772) (INFO)
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Although interview with [REDACTED] yielded no significant information, it is to be noted that [REDACTED] was not belligerent, nor did he attempt to curtail the general conversation.

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For information of the Bureau, the VVAW/WSO Political Action Office, headed by [REDACTED] is located in a small room on the second floor of the Community Bookstore Building, 2028 P Street, N.W., WDC. It is operated solely by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is described as a White male, age [REDACTED] height [REDACTED], weight [REDACTED] pounds, hair [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] and currently wearing [REDACTED] Permanent residence [REDACTED] where he resides with his [REDACTED]

WFO investigation of VVAW/WSO activities in the WDC area continuing.

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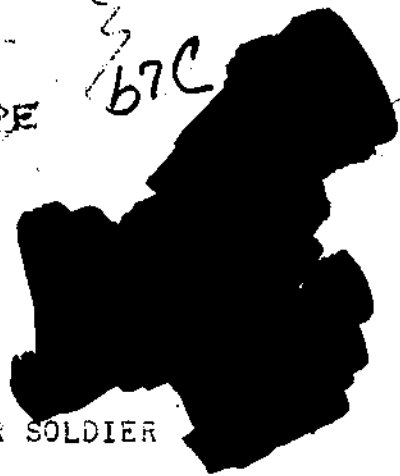
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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)  
FROM MILWAUKEE (100-15674) 1P



VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER  
ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO); IS - VVAW/WSO.

FOR INFO, A SOURCE, WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE INFO  
IN PAST, ADVISED INSTANT DATE 20 TO 30 PERSONS ASSOCIATED  
WITH THE MILWAUKEE VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), WILL TRAVEL TO  
WAUKESHA, WIS., ON 1/14 NEXT TO DEMONSTRATE AT THE TRIAL  
OF DONALD KEMP. KEMP IS CURRENTLY SERVING A LIFE SENTENCE  
FOR MURDER, AND THE TRIAL IS BEING CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE  
HIS SANITY. DEMONSTRATION IS EXPECTED TO BE PEACEFUL;  
LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SECRET SERVICE NOTIFIED.

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KEMP IS SUBJECT OF MI 100-21004, STATUS PENDING.

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NEW YORK (100-160664)

MILWAUKEE (100-15674)

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FROM CHICAGO (100-50772) [REDACTED]

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ON INSTANT DATE [REDACTED] WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE

INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

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ON 12-11-73 [REDACTED] TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

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NEW YORK CITY, TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED VVAW/WSO NATIONAL  
OFFICE, 827 WEST NEWPORT, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. [REDACTED]

ADVISED SHE IS AFFILIATED WITH BRITISH BROADCASTING COMPANY AND  
IS IN PROCESS OF SECURING VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS TO PARTICIPATE  
IN DOCUMENTARY TYPE FILM REGARDING US INVOLVEMENT IN VIETNAM.

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[REDACTED] STATED SHE IS PLANNING TO CONTACT FORMER US ARMY

CAPTAIN [REDACTED] WHO WAS IN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND IS HOPEFUL OF HAVING [REDACTED] APPEAR IN SEGMENT

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SCHORR HAS STATED TO VARIOUS NATIONAL VVAW/WSO OFFICERS

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IN THE EVENT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE THE BUREAU, IT SHOULD BE SUITABLY PARAPHRASED IN AN EFFORT TO PROTECT IDENTITY OF CAPTIONED SOURCE.

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SOURCE HAS BEEN EMPHATICALLY INSTRUCTED BY CONTACTING AGENT THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN THIS RESPECT, SOURCE ADVISED HE FULLY UNDERSTANDS [REDACTED]

CHICAGO FOLLOWING THIS MATTER CLOSELY AND WILL KEEP BUREAU ADVISED.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

FROM MILWAUKEE (100-15674) 2P

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ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO); IS - VVAW/WSO.

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A SOURCE, WHO IS IN A POSITION TO FURNISH SUCH INFO,  
ADVISED APPROXIMATELY 30 PEOPLE REPRESENTING CAPTIONED  
ORGANIZATION ARRIVED WAUKESHA CO., COURTHOUSE, 12:30PM,  
1/14 LAST, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEMONSTRATING IN BEHALF OF  
DONALD G. KEMP, WHO IS CURRENTLY SERVING A LIFE SENTENCE  
FOR MURDER, AND TRIAL BEING CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE HIS  
SANITY. DEMONSTRATION CONSISTED OF CARRYING POSTERS AND  
CHANTING BY GROUP ATTENDING TRIAL. DEMONSTRATION  
DISBANDED APPROXIMATELY 4 PM. NO VIOLENCE OR ARRESTS  
TOOK PLACE. SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED SAME GROUP WAS  
EXPECTED TO RETURN ON 1/15 INSTANT.

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SECOND SOURCE, IN A POSITION TO FURNISH SUCH INFO,  
ADVISED GROUP CONSISTING OF 15 PEOPLE SHOWED UP AT  
WAUKESHA CO., COURTHOUSE WITH NO OUTSIDE DEMONSTRATION,  
BUT DID ATTEND ABOVE TRIAL PROCEEDINGS. THIS GROUP WAS  
ORDERLY WITH NO VIOLENCE OR DISRUPTION TAKING PLACE.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

REMINTEL TO BUREAU, 1/11 LAST.

b7c FIRST SOURCE IS [REDACTED] WAUKESHA CO. SO.

SECOND SOURCE IS SA [REDACTED]

DONALD G. KEMP IS SUBJECT OF MIFILE 100-21004,

STATUS PENDING.

IT APPEARS DEMONSTRATION WILL CONTINUE ON A DAILY  
BASIS UNTIL THE END OF THE TRIAL, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO  
END 1/18 NEXT. NO FURTHER COMMUNICATION TO BE SUBMITTED  
UNLESS ACT OF VIOLENCE OR ARREST TAKES PLACE.

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cc [REDACTED] b7c

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 1/11/74

FROM : SAC, TAMPA (100-2514) (P)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
IS-VVAW/WSO  
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Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Also enclosed for other receiving offices are two copies each of LHM.

A copy of the LHM is being furnished to NIS, Charleston, South Carolina.

Confidential source furnishing information is [Redacted]

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The dateline of LHM is shown as Chicago to protect source since Chicago is the national headquarters for the VVAW and it could reasonably be expected that most of the information from the VVAW would emanate from there.

The LHM is also being classified confidential to protect source.

Information in the LHM is being furnished to the military since it identifies a member of the VVAW who is also in the armed forces.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-7254)

DATE: 1/11/74

FROM : *HJA* SAC, CHICAGO (100-29093)

SUBJECT: CHARACTERIZATIONS OF SUBVERSIVE,  
EXTREMIST, KLAN, WHITE HATE AND  
MILITANT BLACK ORGANIZATIONS

*Field work  
re: [unclear]  
interest [unclear]*

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of a characterization and abbreviated characterization of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) for Bureau approval.

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
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A source advised in January, 1974, that the Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) was organized in New York City in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam Veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. In 1967-1971, the VVAW engaged in various protest demonstrations of a non-violent nature but during late 1971 evidenced increasing militancy, culminating in December, 1971, with the takeover of various American landmarks and public buildings. In 1972 certain VVAW leaders were quoted as telling members the VVAW was a revolutionary organization and not "just another group of war veterans."

VVAW leaders have traveled to North Vietnam in 1972-1973 and have reportedly established liaison with revolutionary or terrorist groups internationally. During the January, 1973, National Steering Committee (NSC) meeting, VVAW leaders discussed programs aimed at obtaining support from or influencing active duty military personnel to act contrary to orders. Also discussed was obtaining access to classified Government information to be used against U.S. interests, and one leader subsequently reportedly engaged in such activity.

During 1972, VVAW leaders and activists reportedly made several trips to Europe and Asia during which they participated in conferences with representatives and/or officials of the Soviet Bloc, North Vietnam, and the National Liberation Front of South Vietnam. The membership was also told the VVAW had been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations, including communist or Maoist groups, describing them as "our friends." Commitments of support for the VVAW were reportedly received from throughout the world, and it was stated the VVAW had strong ties with nearly all revolutionary organizations. Further, international "anti-imperialist groups" considered the VVAW a potent organization of similar stature in the United States.

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
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At one NSC meeting in 1972, the speakers presented their views in a manner demonstrating the VVAW utilized a Marxist-oriented analysis of world problems.

In April, 1973, an organizational name change to Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) was made to indicate inclusion as members individuals other than veterans of military service.

During the April, 1973, NSC meeting, the attendees were told the group has communication with over 200 foreign organizations and was considered a credible organization by these groups. In October, 1973, representatives of the VVAW/WSO attended and participated in the World Peace Congress in Moscow, USSR.

In mid-1973 an ideological split within the organizational leadership became evident, with those espousing the Marxist-Leninist doctrine having to contend with the growing influence of the Maoists. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented, and have expressed determination to educate the VVAW/WSO membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine. The VVAW/WSO publication "Winter Soldier" is considered a very useful tool in this regard.

The VVAW/WSO is composed of approximately 130 chapters nationwide. Current estimated membership is 2,000. National Headquarters is located at 827 West Newport, Chicago, Illinois.

Abbreviated Sketch

The VVAW was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. Since that time VVAW leaders have told members the VVAW is a revolutionary group, not "just another group of war veterans." Also, the membership has been told the VVAW has been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations, including communist and Maoist groups. Additionally, it was indicated that "anti-imperialist groups" consider the VVAW a potent organization of similar stature in the U.S. In April, 1973, the group changed their name to VVAW/WSO so that non-veterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO members are being educated in Marxist-Leninist doctrine.

Source: [redacted] reliable

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Chicago, Illinois  
January 11, 1974

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

The Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) is a national organization composed primarily of veterans of the war in Vietnam, that has organized and participated in numerous demonstrations against the war in Vietnam during 1970-72, including the seizure of the Statue of Liberty, New York City, and the occupation of the Betsy Ross House, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in December, 1971. Six members of the VVAW were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Tallahassee, Florida, July, 1972, on a charge of conspiracy to violate the Federal Antiriot Law.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that [redacted] submitted an application for membership in the VVAW on September 16, 1973. In the application he furnished his military address as [redacted] California 96602, further advising that this was in [redacted]. Subject stated he was a Lance Corporal in the U.S. Marine Corps entering on active duty June 15, 1970, due to be discharged June 14, 1974. He gave his state side address as [redacted] Georgia 30344. He said his expected date of return from overseas was November 18, 1973. He requested information on the VVAW in Atlanta, Georgia.

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[REDACTED] was sent a letter from the VVAW advising him that he was now a member of the VVAW and that as such he would be placed on the mailing list to receive the VVAW newspaper "Winter Soldier" and other VVAW literature. In addition, a GI Packet containing information on a variety of subjects ranging from "How To Fight Back" to "Getting Out." He was advised further information or packets could be obtained by request.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/11/74

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FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (100-13428)(C)

SUBJECT: b7C [redacted] aka [redacted]

SM - VVAW  
(OO: Portland)

Re Bureau letter to Portland dated 10/15/73.

Subject, white male American, DOB [redacted] SSAN [redacted] veteran U.S. Army, name appeared on a national mailing list of Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) for Oregon.

On 1/4/74 [redacted] was located and interviewed at [redacted] Oregon. [redacted] advised that he is presently receiving mail from the VVAW and stated that he is merely a sympathizer with the movement and not actively involved. [redacted] advised that when he returned from Vietnam, he was not in agreement with Government policies and felt that by receiving mail from VVAW, he would be more cognizant of the true facts pertaining to Government policy in Vietnam since it was coming from Vietnam war veterans.

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[redacted] stated that he does not fully believe in some of the radical activities of the VVAW and further stated that he does not anticipate VVAW to be in operation much longer due to the ending of the war. [redacted] advised that he is presently employed with [redacted] Oregon. [redacted] stated that he has a [redacted] presently employed with [redacted] as a [redacted]. [redacted] advised that during the summer of 1973, he was traveling to the eastern part of the United States with the intention of living there but decided that he did not like the area and returned to Oregon. [redacted] stated that he intends to continue working at [redacted] and if he moves, he will notify the interviewing Agent.

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Portland does not feel subject has informant potential in view of the fact he plans to stay in Oregon, and there is no VVAW in the area. [REDACTED]

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Portland conducting no further investigation,

UACB:

FBI

Date: 1/17/74

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

FROM: SAC, [REDACTED] (P) b7D

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COLLECTIVE REPORT

The National Collective operates on a collective decision-making basis. This does not mean that everything we do is talked about by each member of the collective, for otherwise we would never get anything done. Rather, the collective lays down its own internal policy guidelines and makes decisions on major questions. The general day-to-day work is then handled by specific members of the collective who are assigned to a certain area of responsibility -- i.e. we operate on the principle of division of labor. When regions or chapters need information on a specific area of responsibility, they should try and speak with the designated member of the National Collective for that area. To facilitate this, we have listed below the primary responsibilities of each member of the National Collective:

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## INTERNAL REPORT

The growth of VVAW/WSO during the past four months varied from region to region. Those regions fairly well established saw more work being done by chapters, whereas the regions that are less established saw a further decline in activity. For instance, in Denver where an old established chapter/regional office was in existence, the region grew by five chapters. In Connecticut-Rhode Island on the other hand, as there were no strong chapters, the region has become defunct. This is also the case in Louisiana and Montana-Idaho. Other regions such as New Mexico-Arizona, Oregon and North-South Carolina saw little, if any, sustained activity. Regions where weak regional offices have been moved to more viable chapters such as in E. Pa-Delaware, can rebuild due to the new consolidation of the regional office with an established chapter that can provide leadership to create a viable region.

In some cases, such as in New England, the lack of response from the regional office to letters and phone calls indicates that that regional office is defunct despite the work being done by individual chapters. This attitude on the part of the regional office shows an inextinguishable lack of concern for building unified, working regions. On the other hand many regions such as New York, Ohio etc, and California have many active chapters and working regional offices resulting in an ever-increasing level of activity. Generally, this growth of regions and the activity of individual chapters around the country continues the trend of VVAW/WSO in growing into a strong anti-imperialist force, in spite of the fact that in some places VVAW/WSO is weaker than ever.

During the past few months, international chapters have emerged or grown stronger. In November, the Union of American Exiles in Britain became the London Chapter of VVAW/WSO and there is a possibility that several other chapters may form in England as a result of this. In Japan, chapters continue to build and publish newspapers for distribution to GIs stationed there. These Japan chapters are organized and run by GIs. In addition to these VVAW/WSO chapters, we have established close ties with other international groups of Americans, such as AMEX-Canada and Vancouver American Exiles Association.

VVAW/WSO has, now more than ever, the capacity and dedication to build into the unquestionably largest, most active mass organization in the country. In order to achieve this goal, there are certain tendencies that have to be struggled with internally to avoid a setback in our growth. In some instances during the past few months, certain regions have developed internal struggles that have affected the unity of the organization. In some cases, individual members have left the organization or have limited the amount of work for fear of confronting the problems and resolving them or by not understanding the inner workings of disputes. Of course there are cases where the politics and practice of individuals are incompatible with the philosophy of the organization and this represents a different form of discussion. The point is that individuals and chapters should be aware that the resolution of internal problems can only be accomplished through principled struggle.

Another tendency that must be avoided is that building bureaucracies which ultimately limit the capability of chapters to operate successfully. Argument for the sake of argument is detrimental. Paperwork for the sake of paperwork takes away from other activities. Getting caught up in minor details and missing the major points detracts from accomplishing our goals as an organization. Making the revolution a career instead of a way of life satisfies only the individual making this error. If a clearer conception of what we as an organization with ten objectives represent and if the necessity of mass work was more clearly understood, then these tendencies would be lessened.

We must also try and avoid rumor-mongering and always confront others with stories that may be detrimental in building solidarity between members, chapters, regions and the national office. Our objective is always to advance the struggle. Rumor-mongering and back-stabbing certainly don't help this.

We should also realize that we are bound by the decisions of the steering committee and that individuals should not try and circumvent those decisions. This individualism clearly seems to be for personal gain or ego, and not in line with the basic philosophy of the organization that has developed over the years.

Another tendency that must be recognized and dealt with is the defeatist attitude of people who say, "We can't do that, it won't work." We have seen this crop up from time to time and those individuals who consistently have this attitude should re-examine their commitment to the organization. With experience and an optimistic attitude we can do what we want. We must constantly develop this assurance and confidence in ourselves and in our organizational abilities.

Also during the past few months we have seen a continuation of what we will call 'organizational diffusionism'. This tendency manifests itself in chapters setting up projects under other names or by totally liquidating organizational identity in a coalition or in a joint project. This tendency weakens the building process of VVAW/WSO. If a chapter feels that using the name VVAW/WSO is politically unsound and opts for a front name or subjects the organization to a totally subordinate role in a coalition or project, then the potential for building VVAW/WSO nationally is affected. This does not mean that we cannot join in coalitions or work with others. On the contrary, this is encouraged as long as it means that the objective of building VVAW/WSO and advancing the struggle is realized. If this occurs (organizational diffusionism) we should seriously consider why we are doing this and struggle to avoid it.

"Build VVAW/WSO" is a good slogan with which we can combat these tendencies. If we constantly thought of what is best for VVAW/WSO and what will advance the anti-imperialist struggle, we would be better able to organize and grow. There are many issues that we can work around: the continued war in Indochina, amnesty, discharge up-grading, prisons, GIs, the Lawton/Gardner trial, Operation County Fair, Cairo, etc. Many chapters have already begun working on programs in these areas and are very successful in the work being

done. For instance, in Milwaukee the chapter has grown considerably by the direct actions around the VA and the demand for one discharge. In Florida, work around Starke Prison and in San Francisco work around discharge upgrading has led to a growth and political advancement for those involved. Other work that must be done is to support struggles and to explain events that occur. For instance, in Columbus, Ohio the chapter supported the truckers who were demanding lower fuel prices. If the war re-escalates in Vietnam, every chapter regardless of where they are located should demonstrate. Chapters wherever they are can explain the energy crisis or the rising prices for food. All chapters can do support work for the boycotts of the Farm Workers and the Farah workers. Selling Winter Soldier can be done anywhere. Finding distribution points for the paper can be done anywhere. Another idea that people should remember is that we have become an international organization and that our single chapters are not alone, but part of a network that has developed a high regard by other US organizations, and international movements and governments. This could and should aid us in our work locally.

We are a good, strong organization with a lot of potential for growth. If we accept the responsibility of our commitments to building the anti-imperialist struggle, if we constantly remember who the real enemy is, if we understand the importance of mass work, and if we continually guard against unhealthy tendencies, then we will Build VVAW/WSO.

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It is high time that everyone be given a strong reminder that VVAW/WSO has adopted three national projects which are simply not being given full support by chapters and regions. There is no region that can say that they have been working around the Lawton-Gardner trial, the struggle in Cairo and Operation County Fair to the fullest of their capabilities. We view this as a rather sad predicament because if we are to adopt national projects, either we work on them or we drop them. It is as simple as that. There are people in Riverside, Bogue Chitto and Cairo who are depending on us and we may correctly be accused of letting these people down.

We realize that people have a tendency to relate to the spectacular. For example, we adopted Cairo as a national project when the heat was really coming down in that community. People rallied around the idea, but as soon as things cooled off a little, the majority of our support was withdrawn to the level of lip-service. The same thing happened in our adoption of the Gainesville trial as a national project during a crisis situation. We can say that chapters and regions did a great deal of work around that trial, and this is understandable in light of the fact that the trial in Gainesville was an organizational attack. Now that the trial in Gainesville is over, we feel that it is time that we re-affirm our commitments to our other national projects and take these commitments more seriously by actually doing concrete work around them.

At this particular point, Gary Lawton and Zureby Gardner are in desperate need of national support. If what is going on in Riverside cannot be considered the "spectacular" then we don't know what can. The lives of these brothers are depending on the work we do in building support and raising funds for them, and this is not the time to pay little more than passing acknowledgement that this is a national project. The situation in Riverside is critical -- more so than it has ever been in the past -- and chapters are making a gross error if they do not rally behind these brothers and do everything possible to ensure their freedom. There is a great deal of work that needs to be done in all communities regarding this trial. We must take what is happening in Riverside to our particular areas and spread the word about this racist outrage. Educational work needs to be done, speaking gigs need to be done, money needs to be raised, and full-scale support needs to be given. VVAW/WSO has committed itself to doing all of these things, so let's get it on and do it! We have national projects which, for all practical purposes, have been ignored. This act of ignoring intense struggles is not what VVAW/WSO is all about.

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Veterans Affairs

The main ongoing work dealing with veterans is discharge upgrading, which falls under the category of Amnesty. A list of resource material and offices dealing in all aspects of veterans problems will be ready by the end of January.

Research

The National Office has collected an enormous amount of literature and literature lists dealing with U.S. military and economic involvement around the world. A list of important books, periodicals and resource projects dealing with U.S. imperialism, listed by continent (or area, i.e. South Pacific), will be available from the National Office soon.

Operation County Fair

This Project is now being given full attention. In November, a member of the National Collective spent three days visiting the Collective and the people of Bogue Chitto. Historical and current data on the area is being gathered for use in an upcoming OCF Brochure, Winter Soldier and news packets for distribution to other news media. Further progress on OCF will be detailed by the Bogue Chitto Collective in their report.

A joint clothing drive with Cairo and Bogue Chitto was organized during the last few months. Most of the clothes were gathered by the Friends of the United Front of Cairo in St. Louis. In return for half of the clothes, VVAW/WSO is to provide the truck to transport the clothes to Cairo and Bogue Chitto. An 18-foot truck was scheduled to leave St. Louis on December 23rd, but due to heavy snowfall in St. Louis, the departure date was postponed to mid-January. Money for the truck rental is being raised from donations from our chapters. Truck rental one-way to Bogue Chitto, including about \$30 for gas, will be about \$250. We're about \$50 short. A member of the St. Louis Chapter will be driving the truck.

The joint clothing drive was originally conceived as a midwest project, but circumstances required us to call on all chapters to assist with finances. Another drive in Spring or Summer will be undertaken if interest is high.

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## PRISON REPORT

At the St. Louis NSCM, the National Collective was given the responsibility of researching the feasibility of establishing a national prison project. After four months of letter-writing, gathering information, and speaking with people, we can say that not only is there a "feasibility" of establishing a prison project, but if VVAW/WSO fails to develop such a program we may be making a serious political and organizational error. For those of you interested in statistics, we can say that the list of prisoners that we have contact with has grown much more rapidly than we expected. Prior to the St. Louis meeting, we had approximately 50-60 names on our Winter Soldier subscription list and were mailing to approximately 30 prisons. As of this Yellow Springs meeting, the list of prisoners has grown to almost 300 prisoners that we have contact with in over 60 prisons. Considering that VVAW/WSO has grown among this many inmates in the short time of four months, we can say that the response our organization has received within prisons has been something equal to overwhelming.

We have contacted approximately 30 organizations in all parts of the country who are doing prison support work, asking for ideas and feedback on the idea of a national prison project. The majority of these groups are local and do support work with one or two prisons in their area (this is because few national organizations are dealing with prisons on a broad level, though many organizations do offer lip-service to prison struggles). The responses that we have received from these organizations contacted has been extremely enthusiastic. The over-riding trend in all of the letters has been that it is vitally important for the prison movement to have a national organization involved in prison struggles on a wide, national level for purposes of coordination and really understanding what is going on in this country's prisons. The organizations contacted have been very supportive of the project idea and were pleased that VVAW/WSO, in particular, might be the organization capable of a national prison project which is solely set in a political context. We are one of the few organizations with the human resources and organizing skills to plug into prison struggles in a real way.

Moving on to the response we have received from the prisoners themselves, the prison project takes on a much more definitive form. The majority of inmates who have directly contacted our office have joined VVAW/WSO after reading Winter Soldier. They realize that they are in no real position to do mass educational and agitational work, yet they are interested in becoming a part of a national organization in order to alleviate the isolation of being a single, politically aware, prisoner. Also, though their mass work is limited, they see the necessity of their position as prisoners to work with other inmates around them and discuss the problems of this country and ways in which those problems may be solved. Many prisoners seem to be quite entrenched in the idea that political education is important in their special position and that educational work is necessary if prisoners are to understand the reasons why they are incarcerated.

We now have VVAW/WSO members in almost all of the 60 prisons that we have contact with and the majority of these members are third world people (black or Chicano). Many of these members are veterans, but the majority are

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not. Those which are not veterans feel a strong identification with VVAW/WSO because they feel that, like veterans, they have received a first-hand view of how our society operates (they often compare prison life to what has gone on in Indochina). Growing out of these single memberships has come prison chapters. To date, we have chapters in two federal prisons -- Leavenworth, Kansas and Marion, Illinois. We also have chapters in Waupun, Wisconsin and the USDB at Ft. Leavenworth. Chapters are forming in Springfield, Missouri; Lucasville and London, Ohio; Soledad, California; Huntingdon, Pennsylvania; Angola, Louisiana; and Starke, Florida. The prisoners' rationale behind organizing VVAW/WSO chapters is the recognition that in order to make real change and fight on a more effective level, organization is vitally important for them.

Many inmates have expressed the idea that a large number of prisoners are concerned simply with their own welfare and are struggling against their own personal oppression. With the developing political understanding going on inside prisons, inmates are discovering that their own personal oppressions do not matter in the context of the oppression which is facing the entire prison population (and the oppression facing all of us on the outside). For this reason, many prisoners have expressed that their personal battles are no longer important and that the real key is to band together and battle for better conditions within the prison as a whole. Also, as stated before, the prisoners are anxious to be involved in not only a prison struggle, but in the struggles that are going on outside the prison walls. They have a belief that what is being done to them today will be done to the entire American people tomorrow. They feel the importance of a national organization in this respect and recognize that imperialism is the real enemy that must be dealt with because it is imperialism that has placed them in a prison cell.

The major function of a prison project would be for VVAW/WSO to plug into prison struggles wherever and however possible. This means that the level of prison work will vary from region to region and will depend on the contact inside prisons of a specific region and the organizing capabilities of that region. The major points of the prison project which are to follow are the suggestions of prisoners themselves. Since this project will exist for prisoners, it is important that they have a lot to say about the development of the project. One of the major thoughts that has arisen in communications with inmates is that we must at all times avoid the idea of "prison reform." As a brother in Marion puts it: "There are many groups dealing with prison reform today, however, most of them do not realize that ~~more~~ prison reform is not the answer. True, prison reform may stop some of the brutality and terrorism that exists behind prison walls but it will not prepare the men and women behind those walls for society nor will it stop others from coming to prison. A revamping of our entire social and political system is the answer, not prison reform. It is the social ills that create the need for prisons -- not the reverse. Most prisoners today, at least those who have become politically aware, realize this and do not support prison reform as such. We fully realize that helping us to get out of prison, and we all want out, is not worth much if we must resort to crime in order to survive." This is a common sentiment among prisoners and we feel that their wishes should be heeded. Therefore, we should keep in mind that prison reform is not to be a major focus of the project.

Though prison reform should not be our aim or goal, there are some demands which are of a reform nature which may be dealt with in doing prison organizing. One prisoner suggested that we draw up a program calling for an end to the present repressive systems as they now function. Though prison reform should not be our work, there are some immediate demands that should be made. These include things such as conjugal visits, minimum wages for work done, more community rehabilitation programs, early releases, access to the courts and media, less oppressive visiting rights, better medical facilities, increased protection of women's maternal rights, transportation for visitors to and from the prisons, etc. This "program" idea will have to be discussed in depth to decide whether or not we wish to include a similar list of demands in a prison project.

Other ideas which have come out of the prison project idea include a Free Book Program. This would entail contacting publisher who offer free books to prisoners (or reduced costs). Out of this a bibliography of these books would be drawn up and sent to the inmates. Then, inmates could order, direct from the publisher, which books they choose. The reason for this would be to provide some idea of reading which are available (and hard to come by in prisons) which are of a political nature and provide a means by which inmates may continue their political education and development.

An important aspect of a prison project should include legal support. It does not make much sense to mobilize prisoners into taking direct action in the battle for their existence if there is no legal support available on the outside. In light of this, it will be important for VVAW/WSO chapters who are working around prisons to make contact with sympathetic lawyers who would be willing to file petitions, work on defense, etc. if the need arises. We would suggest that concrete organizing not begin until legal contacts are searched out and secured.

Communications should also be a major focus of the project. Many prisoners are desperate for people to correspond with, and many are especially interested in political communications. The majority of prison correspondence would be handled by the chapters. People must remember that corresponding with inmates is not a light responsibility. After a few letters, the prisoners will begin to expect to hear from certain people, and they must not be let-down in this respect. The people doing the writing should be responsible and disciplined enough to get the job done on a regular basis. Many of the inmates will not ask for much in their letters, they simply need someone to communicate with. Also, people should be prepared to do "errands" or leg work for the inmates, i. e. you may be requested to find out about something, make contact with someone, etc. This does not generally take much time but it means a great deal to the prisoners and saves them a great deal of work in trying to make contact with people on the outside. Also, whenever possible, VVAW/WSO members should try to get on the prisoner's visiting list because of the importance of personal contact and the fact that much more can be discussed in person because of tight mail censoring.



Other aspects of a prison project could include making contact with the families of prisoners whenever possible. It is highly possible that the families of prisoners can be drawn into the organization if they see that we are doing concrete work to help them and the prisoners. Time should be spent with the families and political education should be offered to help people understand why their husband, son, daughter, wife, etc. is incarcerated.

Direct action against prisons should also be the job of chapters. Several regions are already working around prison struggles and activity such as marches, leafletting, demonstrating for conjugal visits, etc. has already been conducted. Other regions should consider doing this type of direct action and all regions should do whatever possible to bring the conditions in our prisons home to the American people. This will include political education work on a mass level. For example, the struggles going on inside prisons should be publicized widely. Agitational and educational work should be done around the behavior modification programs now being conducted, and actions directed at the prisons now practicing behavior modification should be done.

In conclusion, all of the above ideas regarding a prison project have come from the prisoners themselves. We will have to discuss them and discover which ideas are real for VVAW/WSO. Once the project is established, we feel that a project office will be a necessity if prison activity is to be coordinated. Since the majority of prisoners who receive Winter Soldier contact the National Office address for help and information, the National Office is willing to take on the responsibility of acting as the project office and coordinating prison activity that is going on around the country. This will require some support and cooperation from the regions and chapters. For example, the National Office will need to know the names of prisoners in the various regions, and these names should be sent by the region. Also, any type of prison support work that VVAW/WSO chapters are involved in should be reported to the NO so that there will be a central collection place of all information and so that this information can, in turn, be gotten out to all of the regions. We see this central collection place as a necessity.

The Prison Workshop will discuss all of these ideas in detail and decide if a national project around prisons is realistic and what the project will entail. The above is a collection of ideas from which the workshop can proceed.

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## I. BACKGROUND

As was pointed out in Newsletter #14, a number of problems were encountered in working with the U.S. Preparatory Committee(s) for the Moscow World Peace Congress. Basically, it was felt that VVAW/WSO's delegation to Moscow was manipulated and dealt with in a less than principled manner by the organizing committee(s); this manifested itself in terms of the size of the delegation, problems around funding the VVAW/WSO delegates and a general lack of respect for our organization.

As of the St. Louis NSCM we had been told by Jim Forrest, the U.S. Secretary to the World Peace Council stationed in Helsinki, that VVAW/WSO would have two free scholarships to the Congress. The NSC designated that Ann Bailey and Brian fill these positions. These scholarships were given to the organization on a national level and were to be paid by the International WPC's funding, not from the national or regional U.S. Preparatory Committee. Things turned out quite differently than anticipated, however. Despite the fact that we were approached as a national organization for participation in the U.S. delegation to Moscow, we found ourselves having to deal with separate, regional, World Peace Council organizing committees from the East coast, Mid-West, and West Coast. While all of these organizing committees were affiliate organizations of the CPUSA they "seemingly" had little or no coordination with each other on a national level.

Over and above the hassles presented in trying to organize a national VVAW/WSO delegation from a regional basis, other problems also arose. The two free scholarships VVAW/WSO was promised by Jim Forrest were cancelled. Then only one scholarship was available for Brian Adams and was being provided by the Mid-West WPC organizing committee. It also was not for the entire Chicago-Moscow trip, as promised, but only for the trip from NYC to Moscow. Not only was funding unavailable for Ann Bailey, but a clear attempt was made to cut her from the U.S. delegation altogether: with or without independent funding! A decision was nearly made to actually pull out of the trip when without the knowledge of the National Collective, Ann raised the necessary funding for her trip, and forced them to include her on the delegation as they were supposed to. (John Naveau was held up with being allowed to go on the Mid-West contingent of the U.S. delegation until literally a day or two before the plane left, with evasive, "maybe yes, maybe no" answers. He also had to pay for his own trip). This all led to the inescapable conclusion that the people organizing the delegation were juggling things around to suit their own purposes, and that VVAW/WSO was treated in a very disrespectful, manipulative manner.

## II. MOSCOW

Despite all this unfortunate and unnecessary haggling, Brian Adams, Ann Bailey and John Naveau did make it to Moscow. The meetings held there with the various foreign delegations were extremely productive in terms of promoting

international solidarity, learning about the incredible large anti-imperialist struggle being waged around the world, and in familiarizing these struggles with the work VVAW/W50 is doing in the U. S.

Particularly useful bilateral meetings were held between VVAW/W50 and the delegations from: Cambodia (GRUNC), the PRG, the DRV, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arab Gulf, Japan, the Democratic People's Republic of Yemen, Zimbabwe (Rhodesia), and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The Korean delegation made a particularly strong appeal for us to work on the issues surrounding the reunification of north and south Korea and the removal of the 45,000 remaining U. S. troops still stationed in Korea. Given the exceedingly unstable situation in Korea today, and the very real possibility of renewed hostilities involving major U. S. military operations there, this request takes on an even greater significance.

### III. PROPOSAL FOR A LETTER OF CENSURE

During the World Congress of Peace Forces in Moscow an incredibly regrettable incident occurred. On November 1st, Ann Bailey was asleep in her room at the hotel where all the delegates stayed, when an unknown intruder entered her room and most viciously assaulted and raped her. While the identity of the rapist was never established, Ann was certain that he was not a member of the U. S. delegation. As unspeakable as this was, the treatment she received from the Soviet police authorities was harder to understand. The questions asked her read like a Chicago police blotter: "Did you like it? Did you lead him on? Did you really try to resist?" It was made very clear that they would be more than pleased if we would drop the whole matter immediately. The point being that Ann was treated in the same manner a rape victim would be treated by a police officer in the U. S. A. In the context of a supposedly socialist state, this is difficult to understand.

Feeling that such treatment was inexcusable, a letter was sent to the CPUSA and the U. S. Secretary of the World Peace Council, organizers of the U. S. delegation, demanding an apology for this; that the matter should be brought to the attention of the proper Soviet authorities; and a return of Ann's travel expenses. A reply was never received at all from the CPUSA -- the letter was totally ignored! The WPC sent us a very evasive letter saying how "shocked" they were but not even mentioning the specific criticisms we had raised -- thus a de facto ignoring of the letter sent to them. Feeling that this response, or lack thereof, from the responsible organizing bodies for the Moscow World Congress of Peace forces was unacceptable, the following proposal is submitted:

**PROPOSAL:** That the National Office and Ann Bailey jointly draft an official letter of censure to the U. S. Secretary of the World Peace Council and to the CPUSA, the responsible organizing bodies of the U. S. delegation to the Moscow World Congress of Peace Forces, for the following reasons: 1) For failure to respond to the letter sent to them by the National Office of VVAW/W50 regarding the situation surrounding the assault of Ann Bailey while she was in Moscow. 2) For the disrespect shown Ann Bailey and VVAW/W50 as an organization by ignoring the letter sent for failure to respond in any real manner wha

The following contains some of the current thinking of the National Collective concerning the direction VVAW/WSO's national amnesty program should be taking. It is hoped that this section will provide some basic guidelines for action. Thus the questions spoken to are some of the major questions that have arisen in the course of our amnesty work so far.

## I. AMNESTY IS NOT A HOT ISSUE YET!

Despite what many may think, amnesty is not yet a burning issue on the American political scene. Universal, unconditional amnesty is not even a household word much less something Congress is going to support at this point. Amnesty will remain an issue that gets pushed aside in the face of other crises issues: such as the way Watergate and impeachment bumped amnesty from the news last spring. It will, however, be a long term issue offering a solid basis for ongoing grassroots organizing.

It is perhaps the central task of VVAW/WSO's amnesty campaign to make amnesty a real issue. Until we do, there is no way we can ever expect to win our demands. The only way amnesty will be made into an issue that the system is forced to deal with will be through the grassroots organizing we do to push it forward. Only when it is an issue widely supported in our communities, only when there is a high consciousness of what it means at the grassroots level, can we finally expect to achieve our demands. Through our concerted efforts, however, we do have the capability of building such community support.

## 2. NEED TO USE THE MEDIA!

It should go without saying that we need to use the media to develop the amnesty movement as much as possible. Lists of media contacts should be developed and regularly sent news releases about regional or local VVAW/WSO amnesty activity. When DUP's are opened, news conferences should be held announcing them. Public service announcements (PSAs) should be made on a regular basis on radio, cable TV, etc., to alert the community to the discharge upgrading counseling available. When direct actions are being planned, such as around the VA, unemployment centers, etc., news contacts should be advised in advance of what is going on. In short, the media should be used as a form of mass outreach wherever possible. But just like other forms of outreach, whether its leafletting, public speaking or whatever, it's not going to happen without first doing the necessary ground work.

## 3. WE NEED A UNIFIED NATIONAL VVAW/WSO CAMPAIGN!

We cannot fail to understand the need for a united effort on a national level in VVAW/WSO's amnesty campaign. Unless our campaign is national in scope, unless we are all operating according to the same overall, coordinated plan, our efforts will be drastically less effective. This national strategy bears itself out in all regions and chapters working on the same basic projects -- discharge upgrading, national demonstrations, etc. -- and in supporting the same political analysis, i.e. our amnesty pamphlet.

As our amnesty pamphlet points out, we need to focus on the entire amnesty issue, on all categories of war resistance, rather than just on a particular category of resisters. Our slogans, speeches, etc. must always put forward a unified demand of unconditional amnesty for all categories of resisters. Should we allow ourselves to only deal with badly discharged veterans, for example, we would be splitting the amnesty movement up and thereby weakening our forces. To date, this has not been a problem, but as our community work gets more involved on a day-to-day basis, primarily with discharge upgrading, we must guard against such tendencies.

#### 5. ORGANIZING FOCUS VETS/GI's

While the political program we focus on must maintain unity of demands for all categories of war resisters, the primary organizing focus of our amnesty strategy must be GI's and badly discharged veterans. This is not to say that individual regions or chapters might not do extensive work with other categories of resisters, i.e. exiles, prisoners, etc., but that the overall national effort is directed at organizing badly discharged vets and GIs as a priority. When we have the capacity for really concentrating on other categories, we may move into organizing with them at a later date. But at this point in time, our strategy must be to concentrate our forces where they will be most effective, GIs and badly discharged vets.

#### 6. DUPs BASIC ORGANIZING TOOL

From this need to concentrate our forces on organizing GIs and badly discharged vets, we must utilize the discharge upgrading projects as our primary organizing tool. As GIs and Vets form, by far, the single largest category of those affected by amnesty, their mobilization for amnesty is absolutely critical. The DUPs are one very concrete program that will enable us to do this. Understanding that discharge upgrading is a service and may easily lead one up the path of totally non-productive "counselingism" we must struggle to see it only as a political organizing tool. If we allow ourselves to become primarily "counselors", not only denying our position that amnesty is a class question and we are thus utterly opposed to a case-by-case review for war resisters, (whether they are exiles, prisoners, or badly discharged vets) but we are wasting our time as well. We know that only 1 out of 7 badly discharged vets will have their discharges upgraded. The only approach to amnesty by definition then, must be a political one. The DUPs must serve to educate badly discharged vets to this and serve as a means of: 1) locating them, 2) educating them and finally 3) hopefully organizing them into a movement for a universal discharge. VVAW/WSO is already well on the way to doing this. DUPs are already set up in Oakland, San Francisco, Dayton, St. Louis, New York City and Milwaukee. Denver, Chicago, Buffalo, Washington, D. C. and others are well on the way to setting up projects there.

#### 7. NEED TO SET UP DUPs ASAP AS OFFICIAL VVAW/WSO PROJECTS

For a number of external and also internal reasons, it is clear at this point that we must move as quickly as possible to set up official VVAW/WSO DUPs wherever possible. There are many groups also interested in setting up DUPs around the country that unfortunately approach the project from the point of view of counseling for counseling's sake, and are not primarily interested in an overtly political solution. Such a liberal service orientation can at best only help a handful of vets to have bad discharges upgraded, and at worst badly hamper the ability

of a strong single discharge movement to develop and lead the amnesty movement on a national level. The sooner VVAW/WSO can set its own DUPs, operating on our own political program, the better off we will be.

Secondly, many areas have held back from moving towards setting up DUPs in their regions until they could hopefully come up with some sort of funding. This is a mistake. It now appears very unlikely that VVAW/WSO will get any funding at all. If we are able to get funding, there is a very real risk of being forced to water down the political approach of discharge upgrading to such an extent as to make it virtually useless. We can and must be prepared to set up DUPs depending on our own resources. We must be totally self reliant in this area. If we can get outside support well and good, if not, we will proceed anyway. We have already seen through our own experience that we are quite capable of doing discharge upgrading on our own resources with just about zero for a budget.

Finally, we must avoid overly mystifying discharge upgrading and thereby paralyzing ourselves into inaction. Discharge upgrading is no mystery, requires no magical skills and can easily be learned by us all. The DUPs are the core of our national amnesty program. We must set these projects up as soon as possible as official VVAW/WSO projects. Unless the DUP projects are identified as official VVAW/WSO projects, coordination of this work on a national level will be badly hampered.

#### 8. ORGANIZING VETS AT POINTS OF OPPRESSION

The basis for agitation around amnesty, specifically badly discharged veterans, must be consistent community outreach at those points of oppression in the community where badly discharged vets are getting screwed. These would be at the Veterans Administration, (as Milwaukee has done), at unemployment offices, drug clinics, welfare offices, "manpower" type hiring halls, job sites, unions and so forth. Not only are these points of oppression where we can find badly discharged vets to organize and acquaint with our DUPs, but they are the most blatant example of why we must fight for amnesty, of how the government has passed a life sentence on vets by giving them a less-than-honorable discharge.

#### 9. ORGANIZING GIs

Organizing GIs into the amnesty movement/ single discharge movement will not be quite as easy. This naturally stems from the fact that GIs haven't received a bad discharge, or are not really certain that they may eventually get one. There are many ways that GIs can be tied into the amnesty movement, however. Primarily it is developing consciousness around the anti-imperialist nature of amnesty; the duty and right of soldiers to refuse to serve in an imperial army, in illegally exploiting and oppressing other nations. Also, much work can be done around military stockades, in retraining groups (as Lowry AFB) where many GIs realize that their separation from the military isn't going to be on the best of terms.

Programs may be developed around the various coding systems used by the military. Agitating around SPNs for example. Educating GIs to their existence, what they mean and that GIs have a right to know in advance what their SPNs are and who gives it to them.

Above all, the most important thing to remember in terms of bringing amnesty to the GI movement is to ASK THEM what relationship to the GI movement they see in amnesty. Ask them what logical tie-ins to GI work can be made. If we proceed in this manner we'll definitely achieve a lot more success than if we just go charging in with pre-conceived notions about how this will work out. We must see through practice how the GI movement can be successfully linked up with amnesty.

## 10. AMNESTY & CONGRESS

There has been considerable confusion around this question and how VVAW/WSO will relate amnesty to Congress. It is important that we understand how an amnesty campaign will relate to this question. Primary in our work is the understanding that what is important is the ANTI-IMPERIALIST nature of our amnesty campaign. Our politics on amnesty, the progressive aspects of the amnesty movement, must always be in command of our actions. Regarding Congress and amnesty then, we must remember that we really don't care how Congress does, or does not, relate to amnesty at this point because we know that it will not act favorably on it until it is forced to do so. Until we in the amnesty movement can successfully mobilize our communities to support amnesty, we obviously can't expect Congress to do so. Thus, utilizing some form of Congressional approach at this point in time must be seen as a TACTIC that can be used. A tactic that may or may not be selected from the various alternatives the situation offers. Amnesty by definition is not a revolutionary issue and thus, by definition, we are forced somewhere along the line to deal with the fact that either the President or Congress must ultimately grant it. In terms of our ongoing grassroots organizing, Congress is basically irrelevant, but the issue is still, at the very least, symbolically aimed at Congress.

## 11. RECRUITING PEOPLE INTO THE AMNESTY MOVEMENT

Once contact is made with badly discharged vets, or anybody who is interested in amnesty, it is important to try and incorporate them into working on our amnesty campaign. There must be something for them to do before they can be expected to feel they are part of the campaign. Needless to say, there is no way we can successfully build broad community support without constantly recruiting new people into the amnesty movement.

A list of specific activities is going to depend on the given conditions in each region or chapter. A few activities are listed below: collecting petitions, for use in recruiting people into the amnesty movement and for fundraising lists; forming outreach teams to leaflet, poster, etc. on a regular basis; media teams to develop propaganda, i. e. sending letters to the editor, PSAs, etc.; direct action; getting unions to support universal amnesty; using impeachment lists for amnesty mailers (vitally important to play up erosion of administration's credibility and what that means for the amnesty movement); set up defense committees to support those in need of amnesty, i. e. writing letters to judges, attending trials, letters to newspapers. In short, this is the type of standard defense work such as that being done around Dick Bucklin's trial.

## 12. NATIONAL AMNESTY ACTION PROPOSAL

Given the need to make amnesty an issue, and given the understanding that the only way to do this is through massive, grassroots organizing, we submit the following as a general strategy proposal for the next 6-9 months of VVAW/WSO's amnesty campaign.

A. That from the first of January, 1974 through late spring, major efforts will be made to set up official VVAW/WSO Discharge Upgrading Projects in all areas that it is feasible. That the organizing focus will be to make amnesty an issue in as many communities as possible, agitating for it around the various points of oppression where GIs and badly discharged vets are affected by the need for amnesty.

B. Given the need to coordinate this campaign on a national level as well as a local one, and the need for VVAW/WSO to bring its amnesty campaign to the attention of as many people across the nation as possible, that VVAW/WSO hold a national action on amnesty in late June or early July in Washington, D. C.

(1) That this action would not be seen as an end in itself, but the first step in publically unveiling our amnesty program on a national level.

(2) That all regions would build for this action beginning in late spring. This would include holding coordinated regional "building" actions.

(3) The D. C. action would be organized and controlled solely by VVAW/WSO.

(4) That the demonstration would be 3-4 days in length.

(5) That the demands/slogans for the demonstration would be Universal Unconditional Amnesty, A Universal Discharge for All Vets, U.S. Really Out of Indochina.

(6) That the targets of the actions would be the Veterans Administration, the Discharge Review Boards, the Pentagon, Congress, the Dept. of Justice.

(7) That this would not be an action petitioning Congress for anything... it is not a lobbying action. One tactic might be to make demands on Congress, but not to lobby.

(8) That the National Collective organize a demonstration collective and draws up specific proposals for the action as was done in Gainesville. Planning for this would begin as soon as possible.

It must be seen that this action is dependent upon, and secondary to, actually doing the grassroots organizing necessary to make amnesty a real issue in our communities. Unless amnesty is a real issue, this proposed national action will undoubtedly be a failure.



CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

The United States movement saw a decline in action after the signing of the Paris peace agreement. At the present time we see the movement moving into different directions with the realignment of forces into basically two camps. The first is action against U.S. imperialism, with a continuing emphasis on Indochina; and the other into a reformist movement of electoral politics and/or "moral" anti-war activity not entailing real education about the system.

During this period VVAW/WSO takes on special significance. As one of the very few remaining national mass organizations, it maintains the importance of pushing the anti-imperialist struggle, educating the American people and continuing to strengthen and build itself.

At the present time VVAW/WSO is working in our communities, building our base and working with local coalitions and organizations. This work is continuing to build the respect already existing for the organization at the same time we work in a national coalition with PCPJ and in NCUUA and hold leadership positions in the National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression without organizational affiliation.

The practice (past and present) of VVAW/WSO has made us a widely known organization across the United States. This practice has seen its fruit in the respect accorded the organization by the American people. A case in point is the total rejection by the American public of the government charges against the Gainesville 8 and VVAW/WSO.

Internationally, our ties with progressive people and liberation struggles have grown and intensified. The organization has had the privilege of meeting and talking with representatives of Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam, Korea, Zimbabwe, Guinea-Bissau, Doraf and Japan, just to name a few. These have led to a better understanding of other people's struggles and given them some insight into our movement.

Our position brings with it a responsibility; a responsibility to the American people and the people of the world. To meet the continuing and changing character of imperialism we must intensify our work; we must educate ourselves and others; we must sink roots into the masses of people. We must act upon the faith of the people struggling for liberation so that our meetings with them become more than talking, so that our position is based more on the present struggle and less on our past. We must Build VVAW/WSO.

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REGIONS PRESENT: Alabama/Mississippi/Tennessee; Alaska/Washington; California/Nevada; Colorado/Utah/Wyoming; Delaware/East Pennsylvania; Maryland/Virginia/Washington, D. C.; Florida/Georgia; N. Illinois/Iowa; S. Illinois/East Missouri; Ohio/Indiana/Kentucky/Michigan/W. Pennsylvania/W. Virginia; Great Plains; Wisconsin/Minnesota; New York/N. New Jersey; Texas.

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS

At this meeting, it was mandatory that regions bring written Round Robin Reports to avoid taking up a large amount of meeting time. Because of this, the Round Robin Reports will not be printed in the minutes. If regions who were unable to attend the meeting wish to see copies of these reports, they should contact the various regions of the National Office for copies. A copy of the National Office Reports is included with the minutes and will occasionally be referred to in these minutes.

Following the regional reports, it was decided that a list of resources which the various regions have available for sale to chapters should be compiled by the National Office. In order to get this list out to all chapters as soon as possible, it was decided that January 31, 1974, would be the deadline for chapters to send a list of the resources they have available to the National Office. The compiled list of resources and materials will be sent out shortly after this deadline.

NOSCAM REPORT:

A report was not given at the meeting from the NOSCAM office because they did not have time to prepare a written report. Instead, NOSCAM will be sending a progress report on the project to all regions in the near future.

One thing that was brought up at this time was the VVAW/WSO G.I. News, the newsletter published by NOSCAM-Chicago. Chapters are currently receiving this newsletter via the National Office once a month. Because of the financial situation of NOSCAM, the NOSCAM-Chicago people have asked that those chapters able to do so should subscribe to the newsletter in order to help insure that this newsletter is published in the future. Subscriptions for one year cost \$3.00 and the money should be sent to the NOSCAM-Chicago office.

OPERATION COUNTY FAIR REPORT:

Status of VVAW/WSO within the region: The Veterans Service Association on campus in Tuscaloosa, Alabama has a few VVAW/WSO members running it. We got a regional meeting together after the August NSCM to see what membership existed and to get some chapters back together. There was representation of the VVAW/WSO Bogue Chitto Collective, a couple of members from Ruscaloosa and three other towns in Alabama. It was a camping party and nothing was accomplished. The Bogue

Chitto Collective has been asked by the regional office to do outreach and arrange for another attempted regional meeting in Bogue Chitto. All Operation County Fair material from the regional office was turned over to the Bogue Chitto Collective last October. So the regional representation of the Alabama/Mississippi/Tennessee region in effect now lies with the Bogue Chitto Collective as the only functioning VVAW/WSO chapter within the region.

**Status of Operation County Fair:** The temporary clinic building is still under construction. Actually only a few hours each week is spent on construction due to lack of funds for major work, i. e. plumbing; relying on skilled community members to donate their available hours to the carpentry or electrical work. The interior construction now involves sealing the inside walls with insulation, paneling, and tiling the floors. The pipeline and plumbing is held up by the winter rains.

The IRS application for tax exempt status is completed but the final ruling by the IRS could take as long as a year. In most cases in which an organization is reasonably assured of being granted exemption, the IRS will issue a temporary letter of exemption.

The health problems of the community are serious. Though non-existent to most poor people, the health care delivery that is present is not the quality known in other states. Many diseases and problems go undetected and untreated. Segregation in medical facilities still exists. The health care offered now by the clinic staff members includes emergency first aid (on call) providing transportation, accompanying patients to health care facilities where they act as "health care advocates" to insure proper and prompt treatment and follow-up. Donated supplies to the clinic are being utilized under the direction of the medical director. A second physician has made a verbal commitment to see patients in the clinic on a limited basis and work with the nurses in bringing health care directly into the community.

**Financial situation:** The donations received from chapters and other groups or individuals is deposited directly in the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Clinic account. The People's Farm and VVAW/WSO Bogue Chitto Collective survive through individual salaries earned and sponsors. The money used to support the Collective is a separate account from that of the Clinic.

The reasons for keeping mail addressed personally and not by organizations is to keep as unnoticed as possible to the local pigs and cut down on mail rip-offs.

The presence of a VVAW/WSO chapter in an area as rural as Selma, Alabama has made many people curious -- both in the hostile, racist community, and in the poor, black and friendly community. Awareness of our presence spreads much farther than the immediate community and contacts made in Selma.

One of our members is involved in the initial stages of learning how to bring "health work" into the prison system. Members of the collective are also learning about GI organizing potential at Craig Air Force Base in Selma and disseminating information. The chapter is active in selling and handing out the Winter Soldier paper, collecting signatures in support of Melvin X. Smith, and doing political education about the Gulf, grape and lettuce boycotts. One of our members, also on clinic staff, has been asked to speak to a small group of local college students about the basics of various drug use and abuse. There is a tremendous lack of knowledge about this, and if possible the subject could be brought into larger workshops in the area.

Major difficulties with securing responsible and capable members to support this project from within the community itself have set us back several times. Re-establishing community trust, community involvement and back-tracking over administrative mishaps have been setting us back each time another member of VVAW/WSO leaves due to irresponsibility or other problems. Since there are no resources within the state, volunteers are desperately needed to carry on this work.

Major difficulties with securing consistent support from the national organization itself for this national project has made extremely slow progress also. The Bogus Chitto Collective has picked up on the receptiveness of the local community and from blacks within Selma interested in this project and in VVAW/WSO. If the support from the national organization can respond to these difficulties now, the Project would not be endangered.

The original proposal making the California Regional Office the Clearinghouse for the project has met with communication problems and duplication of roles since VVAW/WSO members within the community have been able to handle more of the Project. An updated Proposal for OCF laying out the lines of communication, security, and the purposes of the project has been distributed to be voted on later in the meeting.

**PVS CLEARINGHOUSE:** By John Lindquist of Milwaukee

First, hello everyone, and thanks to anyone who sent me articles or bought a library. Since April, I've run off two editions of the PVS Library, or in other words, 628 stencils! That is why I am now saving money from the Library sales to raise the \$1200 I will need to convert over to offset press.

Since Spril, 1973, I have sold sixty more copies of the library. Even after conversion to offset, the price will remain the same: \$6 for vets, \$10 for students (the decadent kind), \$15 for libraries and professionals, \$20 to magazine companies, \$25 for City governments, and \$50 to the VA and all other federal bureaucracies! So far, the VA has not bought one. Also, prices are negotiable.

I have a few additions coming soon. About 5 more articles, a cover page, and get this, a table of contents! Yes, Friends, now you will know what is in the library without having to read all of it.

I have a couple of requests. If you send in articles, that's fine. But don't forget to include the date and publication or the author's name. Contact libraries at the Universities, and in the City Systems, and sell them libraries for \$15 -- ask for pre-payment.

We are almost ready to start PVS rap groups here in Milwaukee again. This time we have professional help. We have screened the people, using the video-tape on Don Kemp and PVS. Our first meeting will be January 21st, where the structure will be set up and things are looking good.

Also, Don Kemp's NEW TRIAL is coming up! The chapter and the Clearinghouse put together packets to be mailed out, and we have received good responses. Don's case is an important one. Our success in this trial will affect 18 other appeals of vets in prison, just in Wisconsin alone! His case will set a National Precedent when we WIN!!!

GARY LAWTON TRIAL/DEFENSE COMMITTEE:

At the present, the San Bernardino chapter of VVAW/WSO is functioning as the Defense Committee. There are many problems around this trial and it is now more important than ever before that VVAW/WSO make a major push to free Gary and Zurebu. This is the first time in the history of California that a third trial is being scheduled after two previous mistrials have been declared. From this alone, it should be evident to everyone that the government will be making a major effort to finally get a conviction. One of our major priorities is to get this third trial stopped before it begins. The best way to do this is to flood the judge and prosecution with telegrams and letters from around the country, letting them know that we are watching Riverside and demanding that the charges be dropped. (The addresses for the people who should receive these letters are included in the National Defense Committee Workshop Report).

Another major problem of the defense that VVAW/WSO chapters should be working on is the finding of a lawyer for Gary. The Defense Committee, National Office and California region have been looking for attorneys willing to take the case since the second trial ended and no one seems to be willing to touch it. In essence, Gary has been abandoned by nearly every "progressive" lawyers organization and law collective that we can think of. Chapters should be looking around in their communities and making contact with good lawyers for the purposes of pressuring somebody into taking the case. It is important that political lawyers be found because thus far, the trial has not been treated as a political trial (which it most definitely is). Also, a lawyer should be aggressive in the courtroom because there will be a whole series of liars on the witness stand which need to be exposed. If chapters know of lawyers who might be interested in the case, the names should be sent to either the Defense Committee, National Office, or California Regional Office for follow-up and contact.

Other things which need to be done around the trial are fund-raising because of the desperate financial situation of the defense committees. Also, national educational work needs to be done around the trial -- media gigs, press conferences, demonstrations, etc. The case must be publicized on a nationwide level and the politics of the trial must be stressed.

Following the report on the Gary Lawton trial, the steering committee collected money and sent a telegram of solidarity to Gary from the entire body.

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OLD BUSINESS

AFFILIATION WITH NCUUA:

• • A discussion of NCUUA (National Council for Universal and Unconditional Amnesty) was held, covering the history of our affiliation with NCUUA from the Toronto Amnesty Conference to the present. Also discussed were the various forces in the amnesty movement in the United States and Canada. The members of VVAW/WSO who sit on the council felt that it was premature to vote on formal affiliation with the council and it was recommended to the Steering Committee that this discussion be tabled until the next NSCM. It was also pointed out that the council consists of some very progressive organizations and this was considered in the recommendation for tabling. Therefore, the following proposal was made:

PROPOSAL: That the decision on affiliating with NCUUA be tabled until the next NSCM.

VOTE: This proposal passed with a vote of 57-yes; 10-no; 3 abs.

This means that the VVAW/WSO members on NCUUA will see what happens over the next few months and new information will be brought to the next NSCM for discussion and a vote.

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE PROPOSAL:

At the St. Louis NSCM, a proposal concerning National Coordinators and their spending time in a chapter between terms of office was made. Because this is a policy decision, the proposal had to be taken back to the regions and voted on at this meeting. The proposal was voted on in two parts and the votes are as follow:

PROPOSAL #1: The term of office for a VVAW/WSO National Coordinator be fixed at the length of one year. Coordinators may elect to run for consecutive terms of office upon the completion of their current term. Two members of the National Collective will come up for re-election at each NSCM.

VOTE: This proposal passed with a vote of 59-yes; 7-no; 4 abs.

PROPOSAL #2: If a Coordinator is re-elected for consecutive terms, he or she must take two weeks to a month between terms (as far as is practical) to do work in a fledgling local chapter outside of his or her home region. While working in this chapter, the coordinator shall not function as a representative of the National Office, nor shall the coordinator assume a formal leadership position in the local chapter. The intent of this is twofold: to give the coordinator a concrete idea of organizational problems at the lowest level of VVAW/WSO and to use the coordinators experience to help establish a local chapter. The burden will be upon the coordinator to find a local chapter willing to take him or her, and to report this at the NSCM that will vote upon their renewed term of office. The local chapter shall assume responsibility for the coordinator's room and board, although the National Office shall assist to the extent they can.

VOTE: This proposal passed with a vote of 43-3/4-yes; 12-1/4-no; 14 abs.

Amendments to this proposal were made later (see National Steering Committee Workshop report), but this proposal, as printed here, became official VVAW/WSO policy at the final adjournment of the Yellow Springs NSCM.

ELECTION OF NATIONAL COORDINATORS:

Though there were four people running for the four vacant positions, a great many problems arose around the voting procedure for this election. After one election was held and then nullified, it was decided that perhaps the easiest way



of conducting the elections would first be to elect the four people and then decide the length of the terms (2 people for one year; 1 person for 8 months; 1 person for 4 months) by having the regions list the elected coordinators in order of priority.

For the vote on whether or not a person was to be a national coordinator, the following people were elected by the following votes: Brian Adams (49-yes; 13-no; 8-abs); Ed Damato (49-yes; 13-no; 8 abs); Sam Schorr (49-yes; 13-no; 8-abs); and Marla Watson (48-1/2-yes; 16-1/2-no; 5-abs).

When the priority system of ranking individuals was used and the terms of office decided, the votes were as follows: Marla Watson - 37; Ed Damato - 34; Brian Adams - 31; Sam Schorr - 28. This means that Marla Watson and Ed Damato were elected for the one year terms; Brian Adams was elected for the 8 month term; and Sam Schorr was elected for the four month term.

The California region requested that it be noted in the minutes that only one member of their delegation registered "priority" votes in this election.

#### "IN FROM THE COLD" ENDORSEMENT:

A discussion of the "In From the Cold" Project of CARIC (Committee for Action/Research on the Intelligence Community) is contained in the St. Louis NSCM minutes. VVAW/WSO has been asked to endorse this project and regions were to discuss this and vote on a VVAW/WSO endorsement at this meeting. The "In From the Cold" Investigation into the Intelligence Community was originally scheduled to take place in February, but CARIC is now aiming for the autumn of 1974 for these hearings to take place. It should also be noted that VVAW/WSO is the only organization which has been asked to endorse this project. In light of the information given by CARIC on this project, the following proposal was made:

PROPOSAL: That VVAW/WSO endorse the "In From the Cold" Project on the intelligence community which is to be sponsored by CARIC.

VOTE: This proposal received unanimous acceptance.

A representative from CARIC stated that they would like as much VVAW/WSO participation as possible. People who have worked in intelligence or had dealings with the intelligence community should contact CARIC. Also, if people have names of individuals who may be interested in testifying, CARIC should be notified. All names of those testifying will be kept secret until the day they are to appear at the hearings. It should also be noted that the transcripts of the testimony will be placed in the CARIC library and VVAW/WSO will have access to this testimony.

#### KENT STATE GRAND JURY:

At the St. Louis NSCM it was decided that VVAW/WSO was to receive a status report on the existing Kent State Grand Jury at this NSCM. The status of this grand jury was reported to the effect that nothing much is going on. No witnesses have yet been called or subpoenaed. Certain aspects of this new investigation are shaping up to look as though Terry Norman (an undercover policeman from the Washington, D. C. police force who has since been uncovered) may be used by the government as

a scapegoat. Since he has been uncovered, he may be named as the individual who provoked the shootings by the National Guard. Also, there are approximately 70 guardsmen who are indictable, though it is likely that none of these guardsmen are the ones responsible for the shootings. More information on the Grand Jury will be given to the regions as information becomes available.

### OBJECTIVE 8 CHANGE PROPOSAL:

The following proposal for a change in Objective #8 was written by the MOINK region and sent out to all the regions prior to the NSCM. Because all regions have had a chance to discuss this proposal, it was included under Old Business. The proposed change reads:

"Resolved to fight sexism which forces an inferior status on women, channeling them into lower-paying jobs and endless unpaid hours of household drudgery. United States imperialism depends for its very existence on this oppression of women as a source of domestic slavery and cheap labor. We must show that men and women who do not conform to stereotyped sex roles are also discriminated against. We must fight sexist attitudes and actions for these reasons, and because they divide the people against each other, making us less able to struggle together for change."

VOTE: This proposed change failed with a vote of 10-yes; 60-no. Because of the proposal's failure, this objective was then taken to the Sexism Workshop for further discussion and revision.

### REPORT FROM MOSCOW WORLD PEACE CONGRESS:

A fairly comprehensive report on the World Peace Congress in Moscow is included in the National Office Reports and discusses the problems that arose around this trip and the positive aspects of VVAW/WSO's participation in the Congress. The NO Report also discusses the rape of Ann Bailey and the rationale for making the following proposal:

PROPOSAL: That the National Office and Ann Bailey jointly draft an official letter of censure to the U.S. Secretary of the World Peace Council and to the CPUSA, the responsible organizing bodies of the U.S. delegation to the Moscow World Congress of Peace Forces, for the following reasons: 1) For failure to respond to the letter sent to them by the National Office of VVAW/WSO regarding the situation surrounding the assault of Ann Bailey while she was in Moscow. 2) For the disrespect shown Ann Bailey and VVAW/WSO as an organization by ignoring the letter. 3) For failure to respond in any real manner whatsoever to the chauvinistic and insensitive treatment afforded Ms. Bailey by Soviet police officials after the assault occurred.

Amendment: That this letter of censure be published in the National Newsletter.

VOTE: The proposal passed with a vote of 65-1/2-yes; 4-no; 1/2-abs.

## REPORT ON CAMBODIA CONFERENCE IN PARIS:

Barry Romo (National Office) and Pete Zaffrow (Midwest VVAWPA region) recently attended the Stockholm Conference for Solidarity with Cambodia in Paris. A report on this trip is contained in the January issue of Winter Soldier but a few items were reported at the meeting. Pete and Barry both expressed how impressed they were with the Cambodians they met in Paris. It appears as though the Cambodian people know exactly what they are doing and it is evident that victory will soon be theirs. In Paris, they emphasized the fact that they are not planning to seize Phnom Penh. This is not because of a fear of U. S. bombing, but because they are militarily concentrating on the entire country. Liberation forces are surrounding other small towns in the country which are in need of liberation and setting up blockades on the major highways. This is to put military pressure on the Lon Nol regime while at the same time, concentrating on consolidation and education in the liberated zones.

Other items of interest is the fact that approximately 30,000 political prisoners are being held in Phnom Penh jails by Lon Nol. Also, the economy of the liberated zones of Cambodia has increased to the point that Cambodia is now able to export rice to the PRG of Vietnam and the Democratic Republic of Vietnam. Supplies seem to be no problem. Many of the supplies needed by GRUNC and FUNC are captured from Lon Nol troops supplied by the U. S. Also, because of the corruptness of the Lon Nol regime, the liberation forces are able to purchase just about everything they need. Because of this, they are more in need of money than supplies of any sort.

Following the report on this trip a discussion on the validity of sending VVAW/WSO representatives to international conferences was held. The major reasons for sending representatives lies in the fact that VVAW/WSO is allowed the opportunity of building solidarity with liberation struggles from around the world. The world looks at the U. S. movement with a great deal of respect and it is important for liberation forces to be aware of the mood of the American people in determining their tactics. VVAW/WSO is in a position to give these liberation struggles this type of first-hand and honest insight. Also, first-hand contact with liberation struggles lends credibility to our organizational assertions that the war in Indochina is not yet over and offers the vehicle for us obtaining vitally important information about these struggles to take to the American people.

## REPORT ON LEAVENWORTH FEDERAL PRISON:

A presentation on the situation in Leavenworth Federal Prison was given by a representative from the Great Plains region. Also, a discussion of the situation in Leavenworth is contained in the January issue of Winter Soldier and a report on the indictments coming down on the prisoners is given. It should be understood that when the indictments regarding the July 31st rebellion are handed down, many VVAW/WSO members will be affected. The indictments are going to function as a means of rounding up political people within the prison and those individuals who are organizing for their basic rights and existence. Because of this, it is important that the trials of the Leavenworth brothers receive as much organizational support on a nation-wide level as is possible. The trials will center on the conditions within the prison and present the sudden explosion of July 31st as a justified action. Money is needed for the Leavenworth brothers, as well as political education work around the case. Also, the Kansas City chapter has requested that any individuals who have experience in setting up defense committees are needed in K. C. where the defense committee is located.

## WORKSHOP REPORT

### CHILD CARE/DAY CARE WORKSHOP

This workshop was hastily called because of the recurring problems at this NSCM pertaining to the care of our children. Discussion in the workshop centered on two basic issues. The first issue being how this organization should deal with the immediate problems of childcare/daycare. It was brought up that the simple mechanical problems could be (and should have been) worked out by the host region. Valid criticism was leveled against the host region for failing in many respects in coordinating childcare/daycare.

PROPOSAL: That the hosting region will assign each region attending the NSCM the responsibility of providing childcare/daycare on a shift basis, providing there are at least three members of that region attending. This will take effect upon passage.

VOTE: This proposal passed with a vote of 39-yes; 20-no; 1 abs.

Following the acceptance of this proposal, a second proposal was made which in effect amends the previous proposal.

PROPOSAL: That delegates working on childcare be on a percentage basis according to the number of delegates from each region. This type of responsibility is also to be worked out for food, security and clean-up. (Clarification: This means that if there are four delegates, four shifts will be taken).

Amendment: That every delegation place their members on a rotating basis so that responsibility is shared equally by all delegates attending the meeting.

VOTE: This proposal passed with a vote of 48-3/4-yes; 6-1/4-no.

Next, the main argument was how VVAW/WSO would deal with taking care of our children. It was discussed that children should not be forgotten and we must collectively handle this situation. It was also pointed out that just because the original workshop was cancelled because it received the least interest of all other workshops, this does not mean that it was a forgotten issue. Priority for the four-day NSCM is with politics. Obviously the other workshops held a higher priority. It was also pointed out that the NSCM is not the place to struggle with peoples views towards children. This should be done on a chapter/regional level, as well as personal. Therefore, the following proposal was made.

PROPOSAL: That chapters and regions discuss the problems of how to raise their consciousness pertaining to the children in our organization and children in general. That problems that have arisen at this NSCM be discussed and dealt with on local levels.

VOTE: This proposal received unanimous acceptance.

## INDOCHINA WORKSHOP

### ANALYSIS OF INDOCHINA SOLIDARITY WEEK

There were very few demonstrations and/or media splashes, but there was some good outreach done, which helped to raise consciousness about the fact that the war is not over. As a result, there has been established some sort of base for doing continuing education on U. S. involvement in Indochina. Much of the outreach and recruiting for VVAW/WSO was done around many new people who had never been touched before this action.

This workshop sees the need for continuing to build solidarity with the peoples of Indochina. Some suggestions from the workshop in regard to future actions:

(a) Chapters and regions who do things that focus on the struggle in Indochina should try to send either directly or through national any pictures and/or articles written about these actions to the Indochinese representatives in Paris.

(b) That the National Collective should send special mailings on such actions to all chapters before the National Steering Committee Meeting minutes are finished, so they can begin work immediately.

### PROPOSAL FOR NATIONAL ACTION

When dealing with the N. Illinois/Iowa proposal, there was unanimous agreement that we propose to the National Steering Committee a like proposal. There was one specific amendment around the issue of impeachment. We felt that using the term "impeachment" was too legalistic, that in fact, it was the same as asking Congress to end the war. The people have the power to "kick Nixon out," and this has also been our line in Winter Soldier. The reason for including the "Kick Nixon Out" principle is for the purpose of maximizing forces who are against the war in Indochina.

We concluded also that we absolutely must deal with demands for cutting off aid to Thieu and Lon Nol and for the release of prisoners in South Vietnam and Cambodia within the context of the three basic principles of unity of the demonstration.

PROPOSAL: That on or about January 27, the first anniversary of the Vietnam Peace Agreement, VVAW/WSO will sponsor demonstrations in cities throughout the U. S. around three major principles of Unity:

- (a) Implement the Treaty/End all Aid to Thieu and Lon Nol
- (b) Universal & Unconditional Amnesty for All War Resisters
- (c) Kick Nixon Out!

We feel that these three points are extremely important to bring before the public at this time. Progressive left forces must secure leadership of the struggles around these issues, specifically the amnesty and impeachment issues, before the ruling class can gain the initiative with their much-watered-down versions of these issues, and completely obscure the crucial links between them and the anti-imperialist struggle as a whole.

Chapters should advise the National Office of the dates of actions before 1/17.

VOTE: This workshop report and proposal received unanimous acceptance.

We recognize that chapters and regions have differing resources, conditions and energies. Not all chapters can do all of the work we would like to do. We recognize that in many areas we are spread too thin and our work lacks force. We feel it is time that we begin to evaluate our work (local, regional, and national) in terms of political priorities.

These six guidelines for determining priorities were put forward by California:

1. Does it elevate the political consciousness internally?
2. Does it have potential for recruitment and building the organization?
3. Does it have potential for developing mass support?
4. How well does it meet the 10 objectives of VVAW/WSO?
5. Does it further an overall class struggle?
6. Is it feasible in your chapter area?

(After these six priorities were given by California, it was realized that similar guidelines are contained in minutes from previous NSCM meetings, specifically the Palo Alto and Chicago meeting minutes. Chapters should refer to these minutes for direction, ideas, and a means of analyzing work).

**PROPOSAL:** That all delegations use the California guidelines (with input from the Palo Alto minutes) in their regions and chapters to evaluate their work. That regional round robins at future NSCMs include the results of evaluations on chapter work, regional work and national projects. The next NSCM shall list National Projects in order of political priority so that areas that can not work on all National Projects would have guidelines in deciding on where their energies should go. Priorities for National Projects will be set by evaluating the practice of the entire organization with close consideration on the concrete conditions in the world at the present time. National priorities should be reviewed in this manner at every NSCM.

**Amendment:** Each delegation should bring recommendations and analysis for national priorities for discussion in the workshop on mass organizations at each NSCM.

**VOTE:** This workshop report and proposal received unanimous acceptance with a vote of 59-yes; 6- abs.

It was later noted that when analyzing our work, the over-riding guideline we should use is whether or not a project or work builds VVAW/WSO. This is of primary importance and should be a guiding principle.

### ORGANIZING STREET VETERANS WORKSHOP

Street veterans are former GIs who have returned to a civilian society and are employed in low-income jobs, unemployed or who are in school merely as a form of existence. "Street veterans" is a cultural definition and not defined by location; it is a lifestyle and a psychological attitude.

There is a diversity between urban and non-urban areas. Areas most likely to have veterans are VA centers and within the community at such places as bars and recreation centers, college campuses, unemployment centers, social functions, etc.

#### A. Outreach

The media is helpful in outreach, through the use of rap programs and sympathetic reporters. Posters and bulletin boards in stores, laundromats, college campuses, etc. are also helpful.

Outreach can also be done by obtaining veteran enrollment lists from colleges, conducting door-to-door petition campaigns, using the lists of some VA representatives who will cooperate, and through leafletting events such as parades.

#### B. Why we should Organize Street Vets

As an oppressed group of veterans they usually don't relate to this society. Their alienation is evidence of their rejection of this society's goals and values. Although some are seeking an alternative, others have been driven to despair and are simply seeking to exist.

VVAW/WSO relates to the street veterans and they in turn may relate to us as a mass organization with a veteran base, working with them to overcome their feelings of helplessness in dealing with their problems.

#### C. Organizing

Organizing begins with getting acquainted. Conversations point out grievances, such as: frustration at not finding a job; psychological oppression by society upon unemployed veterans (unemployment is "unmanly"); speaking to non-politicized veterans about immediate problems and putting those problems into a political perspective (problems are not personal but universal and they can help themselves and others through working together).

The Winter Soldier can be used to show what VVAW/WSO has, is, and is proposing to do in helping veterans. It can also be used to show the imperialist nature of the VA and the GI Bill.

Street veterans must be organized. Each chapter is responsible to seek out street veterans, talk with them, and try to raise their political awareness through programs such as DUP, amnesty, and PVS rap groups. We must organize them to work towards a real solution to the problems facing them and others.

Initial contacts must be maintained and followed up. Perhaps the most important point is that in order to help others deal with their problems and move to a better place, we must first have a deep understanding of our own selves in relation to the nature of the anti-imperialist struggle.

**VOTE:** This workshop report received unanimous acceptance and is meant to serve as guidelines for how VVAW/WSO can begin to plug into the problems of street veterans.

#### POSSIBILITY OF A DOMESTIC COUP WORKSHOP

One of the weaknesses of the American left is that serious discussions on the possibilities of a military coup have never taken place. Only through the process of political education can a serious and non-paranoid analysis be made, and the necessary plans for individual and collective survival be devised.

Individual preparation can consist of stockpiling the material that will be in short supply in the event of a coup. Food and clothing stores, gas stations, and other resources normally available to the public will not be readily available if a coup does occur.

Collective preparation can include the formulation of alternative lines of communications and exchange of information. However, neither individual nor collective preparation can be effective without the proper political education concerning the possibility of such an event.

Political education should be designed to evaluate, in a non-paranoid manner, the rationale, mechanics, and ramifications of any attempt to seize control of the population through the use of military or police force.

An understanding of the nature of totalitarianism -- its forms and practices -- is essential to any understanding of a coup attempt. Among the recommended readings on modern totalitarian thought is B. F. Skinner's Beyond Freedom and Dignity. A recommended resource on furthering the understanding of the possibility/mechanics of a domestic coup is the Special Report of the Senate Committee on Emergency Powers (October, 1973, available for free by writing the Committee, c/o U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510). In addition, an analysis of government options will be available from CARIC in mid-January (P.O. Box 647, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, D.C. 20044, send self-addressed stamped envelope).

PROPOSAL: That the National Office of VVAW/WSO prepare a continuing objective and serious analysis of the possibility of a domestic coup for inclusion in Winter Soldier.

VOTE: This workshop report and proposal was accepted with a vote of 46-1/4-yes; 17-1/2-no; 1-1/4-abs.

### OBJECTIVES WORKSHOP

The purpose of the objectives workshop was to establish a vehicle to look at the ten objectives as a "whole"; to give an overview of all ten objectives in applying them to our everyday struggles.

The general feeling of the workshop body was that the first nine objectives are somewhat repetitious, overlapping, rhetorical, wordy, lengthy, had contradictions, and in cases, are grammatically incorrect. It must be noted however, that not all members of the workshop had criticisms of all nine objectives.

Since it was felt that the input received was the basic feeling of the organization nationally, solutions to resolve this problem should be as expedient and democratic as possible. Therefore we propose the following:

PROPOSAL: That the changes to objectives will be dealt with as follows:

1. Chapters and regions discuss objectives and draw up changes (if any) and/or consolidations.
2. Regions submit written reports to National Office by March 1, 1974.
3. National Office compiles and consolidates regional reports and revises them as necessary, though the number of objectives is not to exceed 10. This will be completed and mailed by March 15, 1974.
4. Chapters and regions discuss the revised objectives and vote to accept or propose to amend them.



5. At the next NSCM in April, final drafting of the objectives will be completed in the workshop.

6. This final draft will be rediscussed regional and voted on.

7. This draft will then be voted on at the NSCM held in August, 1974.

The objectives revised by the national office are composites of the content of the regional reports and not necessarily the precise wording. Regions should not be locked into their particular style of writing, but should discuss the content.

VOTE: This proposal passed with a vote of 53-yes; 12-no.

### ORGANIZATION OF NSCMs WORKSHOP

#### 1. Amendment to the Working Paper as to the election of National Coordinators:

"In the case of the resignation of a national coordinator, the national office shall, by means of the national newsletter, advise the chapters that a vacancy has occurred and that nominations for the position are open. Further, resignations of national coordinators must be accompanied with the effective date of that resignation.

Nominations of individual national coordinators shall be made for specific vacancies for the remainder of that particular term."

VOTE: This suggested amendment to the working paper (or by-laws) of VVAW/WSO received unanimous acceptance. Because this is a policy decision, this amendment will have to be discussed in the regions and voted on at the next NSCM before becoming policy.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE NSCM WORKSHOP

1. A strong recommendation that, after business is concluded, an analysis of the NSCM take place and that this be entered into the minutes. This recommendation is made with a realization that criticism is vital for the building of a strong mass organization.

VOTE: This recommendation was accepted by a majority consensus.

2. The workshop recommends that VVAW/WSO analyze those factors which restrict membership in the National Office to single persons willing to live collectively. The analysis should be conducted with a view towards organizational alternatives which will afford, to a broader portion of the membership, an opportunity to feasibly serve in the National Collective. Regions should be prepared to offer their analysis of this problem, with a workshop, at the next NSCM.

VOTE: This recommendation was accepted by a majority consensus. (This means that chapters and regions should discuss the criteria for national collective members and discuss how the regions can help with the problem of all members of the collective having to live together at this time, i. e. is financial assistance feasible, etc.)

3. We recommend the regions, prior to the next NSCM set up at the regional level, workshops to deal with the problem of voting responsibilities of delegations.

VOTE: This recommendation was accepted by a majority consensus. (This recommendation was made in light of the fact that some regions are "locked in" to a specific vote and this is detrimental to the steering committee. Regions should consider flexibility in light of new information in the voting of their delegation.)

4. The following is a proposed amendment to the Alternative Service Proposal which was accepted at this NSCM.

PROPOSAL: That the word "fledgling" be dropped and in the place of the term "fledgling chapter," the words "chapter, organizing committee or project" be added. Also, that the last line of the proposal be dropped.

VOTE: This amendment received unanimous acceptance. Because this is a policy amendment it must be taken back to the regions and voted on at the next NSCM.

SEXISM WORKSHOP

There were two reports/opinions from this workshop so the steering committee voted to print both reports from the sexism workshop in the minutes for the purpose of providing a basis for discussion around this question on the regional level. Also, since the objectives are to be written by the national office based upon input from the regions, it was decided that Objective #8 would not be voted on at this meeting. Following are the two reports.

REPORT A

The workshop suggests the following revision of the 8th objective: "to demand an end to sexism which forces an inferior status on women, channeling them into lower-paying jobs and endless unpaid hours of household work. United States imperialism depends for its very existence on this oppression of women as a source of domestic slavery and cheap labor. To bolster this oppression, both men and women are forced into sexual stereotypes and attitudes (man to woman, woman to woman, and man to man) that act to discriminate against them. We must fight sexist attitudes and actions because they divide our people against each other, making us less able to struggle together for change."

The workshop strongly recommends that the organization at all levels investigate, research and struggle around the question of homosexual oppression. We do not feel that the oppression of homosexuals needed to be specifically mentioned in this objective, but that the organization cannot ignore this question. This means a thorough discussion of the role of sexual attitudes and what effect these attitudes have on our struggle against U.S. imperialism. People must not avoid this struggle because it is controversial or sensitive, because we cannot progress if we avoid any issue.

This workshop recommends that the next workshop on sexism should focus on the political aspects (PRACTICE) of sexual oppression, not on rewriting the objective.

## REPORT B

We accept the proposed objective from the "Report From the Workshop on Sexism" paper, except for two changes.

We wish to delete the paranthetical expression -- (man to woman, woman to woman, and man to man) -- because we feel that it is totally unnecessary to the meaning of the objective and because it conjures up sexual images in the readers mind. Sexual relationships and practice have no place in a political objective.

We wish to delete paragraph #2 entirely, that deals with discussion and struggle around the question of oppression of homosexuality. The oppression of homosexuals is not an important political question because struggling against this oppression does not challenge U.S. imperialism. The government and institutions can easily stop oppressing homosexuals without the system being radically changed. This is not true of the struggle against the oppression of black people, Chicanos, Indians and the oppression of women. Gaining true equality for these groups would strike a major blow to imperialism, if not destroy it.

In the spirit of Objective 10, we do not feel that discussion and struggle around homosexual oppression is a priority or should be, and that we should not get bogged down in rapping about sex. Barry reminded us about our international obligation to move the struggle against U.S. imperialism forward here at home. And we should always examine our priorities in terms of how it will concretely advance the struggle against U.S. imperialism.

## CRITICISM OF STEERING COMMITTEE

The meeting adjourned on Saturday night following the report from the sexism workshop and was scheduled to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. the following morning. The Sunday meeting began at 9:30 a.m. after adjourning with the understanding that the meeting would begin earlier. The National Steering Committee goes on record as criticizing itself for showing a great lack of discipline and respect for those delegations who made it to the meeting on time but were unable to begin business because of a lack of a quorum.

## PRISON WORKSHOP

### I. NATIONAL VVAW/WSO PRISON PROJECT

The prison workshop proposes that prison work be adopted as a national project; that the project office be located in the national office; and that the project office perform these functions:

1. Disseminate names of prisoners who contact VVAW/WSO to appropriate regions (regions should forward names they receive to the project office.)
2. Compile from regional input, etc. monthly newsletter to prisoners containing information on prison work in and around prisons.

This is to be mailed with Winter Soldier to prisoners.

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3. Conduct research and compile resources related to prison work.
4. Responsibility for prison information in Winter Soldier.
5. The Nation's Newsletter is to contain information on how to organize around prisons. (This is to be suggestions for do's and don't's).

## II. REGIONAL PRISON PROJECT FUNCTIONS

1. Prepare and send an introductory packet for first contact with prisoners. This should include:
  - a. introductory letter: what is VVAW/WSO, objectives, why prison support work, realistic assessment of regional support work, now and projected work
  - b. Winter Soldier
  - c. regional newsletter
  - d. a bibliography of publishers supplying free books, magazines, etc. which will be prepared by the Project Office
2. Provide names of prisoners to the project office.
3. Provide the project office with news of prison struggles.
4. Develop chapter interest in prison work (see list of suggestions for chapter work.)
5. Develop community outreach with on-going educational work.
6. Outreach for legal assistance for prison work. (Law schools are particularly good for this).
7. Relay all pertinent data on resources, research, guidelines and other relevant information to the project office.
8. Demonstrations -- called for and coordinated with prisoners should be held at state offices. Have legal back-up ready.

## III. SUGGESTIONS FOR CHAPTERS

1. Don't try organizing without legal help.
2. Arrange free books and subscriptions for prisoners.
3. Organize busing and housing for visitors.
4. Organizing around visiting rights/possible to work with NLG.
5. Leafletting
6. Winter Soldier and regional and chapter newsletters
7. Prison concerts -- local and national talent
8. Group visits to organize; i. e. PVS, DUP, vets counseling, etc.
9. Political pressure on political offices.
10. Amnesty as a tool to relate to prisoners.
11. Proposal for funding (all levels work on this).
12. Outreach
13. Women's prisons need more attention.
14. Don't begin correspondence unless there are plans to follow through.

## IV. Proposal that another prison workshop be held at the next NSCM.

VOTE: Though the report from the workshop was discussed in sections, all four sections received unanimous acceptance.

G.I. ORGANIZING WORK

VVAW/WSO work with GIs is anti-imperialist in nature and anti-imperialism should be the sole political focus of our GI work. The imperialist nature of the US military is self-apparent and does not, we believe, need further explanation.

The thrust of our GI organizing activities should be to effectively "neutralize" the military as a weapon of oppression at home and abroad. By neutralization what is meant is rendering the military incapable or ineffective so that it cannot be used to further oppress the peoples of the world. Neutralization can only be accomplished in a political context, i. e. through organizing tactics and political education; anything less should not be considered.

In our GI work we must analyze the class makeup of the military. At this time many third world, and poor people are forced, for economic or other oppressive societal reasons, to join the military. We must realize that our brothers and sisters do not become the enemy simply by being in the military and that their oppression is as great as before, leading many of them to active, albeit unorganized, rebellion. In working with them, we must remember we are all in the same struggle and must not take a paternalistic or other counter-productive attitude toward GI work.

Therefore, the GI workshop of VVAW/WSO recommends that each region discuss and implement the suggested political context of GI organizing.

At the next NSCM, feed back on this paper should be presented at another GI workshop. Further, this next workshop should write a national working paper for the organization to follow in its GI outreach.

Finally, consideration should be given to holding a national VVAW/WSO GI organizers conference, preferably at some central location and in late summer. At the next GI workshop the groundwork should be laid for this conference -- a conference that is necessary on a national level to unify even further VVAW/WSOs GI program. It is suggested that regions make an effort to include active-duty VVAW/WSO members in their delegation to the next NSCM.

VOTE: This workshop report received unanimous acceptance.

(As with the workshop on priorities, it should be noted here that many minutes from past NSCMs include discussions of GI Organizing and they should be referred to).

VA WORKSHOP

- I. Reasons for a campaign against the VA:
  - A. That the VA is discriminatory in its treatment of vets with less than honorable discharges.
  - B. That the VA's "benefits" are sub-standard and dehumanizing.
  - C. That the VA uses these educational and medical "benefits" as a club held over the heads of radical vets.
  - D. That the VA is used more as a pacifier for vets than as an agency working for real help.
  - E. That the VA is used for recruitment for the military because people are led to believe that the VA will take care of those injured or retired after service.

II. We are not demanding these things because we think that we deserve a reward for participating in an imperialist war, however; neither do we think that we should be specially penalized (no treatment for arms or legs blown off) since we were duped into fighting either. We are not asking for "special" consideration, but for humane treatment, just as all oppressed people should have.

- A. Full benefits for all Vets. regardless of discharge, all COs, and all people in alternative service.
- B. A GI Bill equivalent to WWII and Korea.
- C. Restore all cut back VA money.
- D. Adequate medical care
  - 1. Drug Rehabilitation, no methadone maintenance
  - 2. No experimentation on patients
  - 3. Adequate staffing of hospitals
  - 4. Adequate psychological care
  - 5. End to dehumanizing treatment of patients, especially amputees.
- E. An end to police and terror tactics used to intimidate veterans who struggle for better conditions.

### III. Actions

- A. VVAW/WSO should publish a paper explaining the struggle around the VA for internal education, so everyone understands the necessity for actions.
- B. Actions around the VA should be combined as part of the general amnesty actions and demonstrations -- both nationally and locally.

VOTE: This workshop report received unanimous acceptance.

### "WINTER SOLDIER" WORKSHOP

#### "THE PAPER IS THE LIFELINE OF THE ORGANIZATION"

The paper is the most important tool that the organization has. The paper is the common denominator which covers all aspects of our work. Selling the paper provides the following results:

1. Provides funds for keeping chapters operational.
2. Recruits new members and keeps the old members.
3. Provides political education for people outside the organization.
4. Provides political education for people inside the organization.
5. Keeps VVAW/WSO visible to the community and is one of the basic programs for organizational outreach.

The following methods are strongly suggested for selling the paper as proven by practice.

1. Always sell in teams of two or more people for the following reasons:
  - a. Avoids getting busted or hassled by police.
  - b. Provides mutual support, particularly if paper sales are slow.
  - c. Provides a show of organizational strength to people.
  - d. Members learn sales techniques from each other.

2. Sell the paper at the same location at regularly scheduled times. This is especially important when the weather is bad. When people see us selling papers in adverse weather they are going to take us much more seriously. This provides them with the opportunity for them to contact us to offer criticisms, ask questions or JOIN!!!
3. Try to get Winter Soldier into stores in your community.
4. All chapters should get a rubber stamp with their address and stamp the front page so that the community or paper purchasers will know who to contact in their area.

The following general locations are strongly suggested, as proven by practice, as good selling locations: Shopping Centers, VA hospitals and offices, Military Recruiting offices, Unemployment offices, welfare offices, Mass Political functions (should be cleared prior by hosting organization), schools, plants, bars, and community functions.

#### FINANCES:

Financial responsibility for the paper must and does lie with the ENTIRE Organization. SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE THE KEY!!

Gift Subs: Give subs as gifts to relatives and close friends.

Institution Subs: Every chapter must take the responsibility for approaching libraries and other institutions for subs.

These ideas have been brought up before in previous workshops and have not been adequately acted upon. It is essential that the organization put these suggestions into practice in a regular on-going programmatic form.

A critical evaluation of progress as relates to the above suggestions for paper sales must be included in the written regional round robin reports for all future NSCMs.

VOTE: This workshop report received unanimous acceptance.

#### AMNESTY WORKSHOP

The following report is a proposal.

That the Yellow Springs NSCM adopt the amnesty strategy and action proposal contained in the National Office Reports.

1. That all regions and chapters collect and forward to the National Amnesty Clearinghouse, (NAC) all information pertaining to their work and/or relationships with the National Council of Churches, ACLU, CALC, CCCO, Americans for Amnesty, FORA and Safe Return, AFSC, and the National Campus Alliance for Amnesty and the American Veterans Committee or other similar groups or organizations working on amnesty. Because of the discussion of our work on amnesty at Yellow Springs, this is seen as being absolutely essential to our successful, coordinated national VVAW/WSO amnesty campaign.

2. That the NAC prepare and distribute a "who's Who" of the various individuals and organizations discussed in our analysis of our national amnesty work.

3. That all regions and chapters prepare monthly progress reports on their amnesty work to be sent to the NAC.
4. That additions to the strategy paper be made on the following subjects: (a) the need for internal political education; (b) a discussion and analysis of the discharge review board; (c) on the need for working with and building coalitions with honest, progressive organizations.
5. That the NAC rewrite the sections on GIs based on input from NOSCAM. The sense of these sections on GIs will remain the same.
6. That the sections of the VA workshop proposal dealing with the relationship of the VA and amnesty work be adopted.
7. That the NAC develop an official VVAW/WSO amnesty button. That this button will conform to the following criteria: (a) that it reflects the organization's politics on amnesty; (b) that it be identified with VVAW/WSO; (c) that it says "UNIVERSAL & UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY;" (d) and that the only logo used, if any, be the official VVAW/WSO shield and inclusive of the lettering.
8. That the VVAW/WSO amnesty pamphlet and petition continue to only be produced by the NAC.
9. That other VVAW/WSO amnesty materials (posters, bumper stickers, leaflets, etc.) be produced on a regional or chapter level with the only provisions being that they conform to our national amnesty campaign's guidelines and that the only logo used, if any, be the official VVAW/WSO shield.
10. That the NAC distribute an official VVAW/WSO discharge upgrading political training manual as soon as it's completed.
11. That Dayton VVAW/WSO coordinate and prepare a monthly DUP counseling/political newsletter to only be distributed internally by Dayton to VVAW/WSO chapters working on discharge upgrading and all regional offices.
12. That corrections be made on the slogans for the national amnesty action contained in section 12, B, (5) of the National Office Report: slogan #2 will read "A SINGLE-TYPE DISCHARGE FOR ALL;" slogan #3 will be reworded in a better manner but the sense of it is to remain the same.
13. That in section #6 of the National Office Report on amnesty, the following sentence be dropped: "We know that only one out of 7 badly discharged vets will have their discharges upgraded." This topic to be covered on the section to be written on discharge review boards.

**VOTE:** This proposal received unanimous acceptance.

(It was suggested that people read the Amnesty Report in the National Office Reports carefully since it is the basis of our amnesty strategy over the next several months. A copy of the strategy paper revised according to this workshop will be sent to all chapters as soon as it is completed).

#### NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEE WORKSHOP

**DEFINITION:** A National Defense Committee shall be an effort to defend the organization and membership of VVAW/WSO. The NDC can only be viable if it is organized from a long term prospective and built from the chapter level to the national level. Trained local Defense Committee cadre are necessary for a coordinated and effective defense of VVAW/WSO.



**PROCESS:** In order to build a unified defense effort, two tasks initially face VVAW/WSO. First is the preparation of an analysis of past and current trials involving VVAW/WSO and the criteria for future involvement in political defense efforts. Secondly, a training program must be established to teach local members the political and mechanical process of establishing a local defense effort.

In order to facilitate this process, a meeting will be held of VVAW/WSO members who have worked on Defense Committees in Chicago on Feb. 23-25, 1974. The Chicago and Milwaukee chapters will prepare an agenda and arrange the meeting. A report from this working group will be made to the membership through the National Newsletter.

**GARY LAWTON:** The NDC workshop criticizes VVAW/WSO for allowing this national project to become a crisis. However, we realize that this body must not have understood its responsibilities at the time the motion to support Gary was passed in July, 1972.

Since Gary's third trial will begin in the spring, we propose that each region and chapter send as many letters, telegrams and petitions to the DA, the trial judge, and the county supervisor. All petitions, etc., should center on a demand that there be no third trial, and they should be addressed personally to the following:

(1) John Hews, Presiding Judge Riverside Superior Court,  
4050 Main St., Riverside, California 92501.

(2) Norton Younglove, Chairman, Riverside County Board of Supervisors  
4050 Main St., Riverside, California 92501.

(3) Byron Morton, District Attorney of Riverside County  
3535 Tenth St., Riverside, California 92501.

Copies or notification of the letters, etc., should be sent to Gary Lawton, c/o Riverside Political Prisoners Defense Committee, P. O. Box 5154, San Bernardino, California 92412.

Local organizations should assist in the search for a lawyer for Gary Lawton, using the following criteria: good political judgement and practice, and an ability to conduct an aggressive cross-examination. It was also suggested that VVAW/WSO send a representative to the up-coming national meeting of the National Lawyers Guild to discuss the hassles we have encountered around the Lawton trial and the situation with lawyers.

Chapters and regions should be responsible for outreach, political education, speaking gigs, etc. within their communities. All copies of leaflets, posters, newsletters, etc. should be sent to the defense committee and the Judge.

**THE LEAVENWORTH 3/33** is a prime example of why we need local trained cadre. Mike Mazzetti and Perry Sanders have agreed to travel to Kansas City to assist in the formation of a defense committee. They will work with four progressive lawyers and the local VVAW/WSO people to establish community support for the upcoming trials at Leavenworth.

**VOTE:** This workshop report was unanimously accepted.

WORK PLACE ORGANIZING WORKSHOP

I. Proposed that National Office is to formulate a concise statement of support for the truckers' struggle. This is to include the point that it is not just the truckers' struggle but a defense of all workers and the people of the country as a whole.

A. Proposed that this statement be printed in the Winter Soldier.

B. Proposed that local chapters notify National Office by January 15, 1974, if they are able to lend political support (and legal support if possible) to the truckers' struggle. This is to be disseminated to the drivers to facilitate support coordination throughout the country.

II. Proposed that there be another workshop at the next NSCM in April centered on work-place organizing. This workshop will include criticism and self-criticism around our support activity concerning the truckers' struggle.

VOTE: All of the above proposals received unanimous acceptance.

PVS WORKSHOP

Certain symptoms of PVS are common throughout our society, such as lack of faith in leadership, lack of trust, drug abuse, suicide rate, and marital strife. For our society, the Vietnam War intensified these problems, but for the Vietnam-era veteran these problems were magnified and multiplied by his/her actual participation.

We reject the word "readjustment" as defined by the VA. We refuse to adjust to a society based on oppression and exploitation. Rather, we see readjustment as getting together with our brothers and sisters and learning to love and be loved, and how to be trustful.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE VVAW/WSO NATIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE ON PVS

1. That the clearinghouse start a collection of all known existing PVS rap groups.
2. That this information be added to the library and that this list of rap groups be updated every six months.
3. That the clearinghouse finish a table of contents that will be mailed out to all recipients of the library.
4. That people who have already received libraries will be able to order single copies of papers for the purpose of updating, and will not be required to buy a whole new library.
5. A 30-minute 1/2 inch black and white videotape on the case of Don Kemp and PVS is available for reproduction and/or rental.

VOTE: This workshop report received unanimous acceptance.

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NEW BUSINESSOPERATION COUNTY FAIR PROPOSAL:

BE IT PROPOSED that the following definition of Operation County Fair and delineation of authority and responsibility be accepted as the authority for OCF by the National Steering Committee of VVAW/WSO; and that this proposal supercede all aspects of the original proposal.

I. DEFINITION

Operation County Fair shall be a National Project of VVAW/WSO. The goal of this Project is to politicize people and educate them around our objectives by providing health care for those areas of the Counties of Dallas, Perry and Wilcox, Alabama, where health care is either non-existent, inadequate, discriminatory or expensive. The initial focus will be in the community of Bogue Chitto. The goals within the community of Bogue Chitto are to 1) organize political discussion groups which are consistent with the objectives of VVAW/WSO, 2) construct a medical clinic, 3) provide equipment for the Clinic, 4) develop long range financing for the Clinic, 5) develop long range staffing program for the Clinic, 6) provide emergency health care, 7) provide home health care, 8) act as health advocates for community members, and 9) conduct health education classes.

As progress is made on goals within the community of Bogue Chitto, and as resources permit, services will be expanded throughout Dallas, Perry and Wilcox Counties, using the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Clinic in Bogue Chitto as the headquarters.

Operation County Fair will cease to be a National Project of VVAW/WSO when it has been determined by the National Steering Committee of VVAW/WSO that the people of the area being served can maintain an adequate health care system without the aid of VVAW/WSO.

The political purposes of Operation County Fair are to educate the public about two important contradictions within U.S. society. The first is racism, and the second is inadequate, expensive and discriminatory health care. Racism is evident in every institution in our society, including the field of health care. The health care profession, in most cases, bases most of its decisions on a) profit and b) maintaining a privileged class within our society. With such thinking governing the policies of the health care field, one's race and economic position take on special significance. Since oppressed nationalities in the U.S. (as well as all poor people) have little influence on the government in general, and the health care field in particular, good health care will remain a luxury for these people until fundamental changes are made.

We are seeking to provide a needed service while at the same time educating the public as to the need for an overall change in the health care field. We are not trying to reform, or patch up, or fill in the gaps where our society has failed; we are ultimately trying to change the roots of existence for the health care profession.

Further, we are attempting, through our involvement in Alabama, to expand, develop respect for, and educate the public as to the objectives of Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization.

## II. RESPONSIBILITY OF BOGUE CHITTO COLLECTIVE

- A. Writing the monthly Newsletter and sending it to the National Office by the end of each month.
- B. Prepare and submit status reports every two weeks to the National Office.
- C. Review all applications for work on OCF in Bogue Chitto.
- D. Receiving and storing or depositing all donations.
- E. Complete application for tax deductible status for the Clinic, and follow up.
- F. Provide for emergency and home health care, including transportation and health advocacy, in Bogue Chitto, Alabama.
- G. Sole representative of VVAW/WSO in the Bogue Chitto community.
- H. Prepare and keep updated the OCF slide show and when possible do speaking engagements for other regions.
- I. Arrange political discussion groups consistent with policy and objectives of VVAW/WSO.
- J. Report to its regional coordinator on a regular basis as with any other chapter responsibility.
- K. At all times the Collective will operate in accord with the aims and wishes of the Board of Directors of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Clinic - Bogue Chitto.

## III. RESPONSIBILITY OF NATIONAL OFFICE

- A. Solicit professional and para-professional volunteers, donations of money, supplies, medical equipment and clothing.
- B. Mail OCF Newsletter to all VVAW/WSO chapters and to the OCF mailing list.
- C. Review all applications for work on OCF in Bogue Chitto; check references of applicant.
- D. Do slide show speaking engagement regarding OCF.
- E. Communicate with Bogue Chitto Collective at least once every two weeks.

## IV. SECURITY

- A. Applications for work in Alabama on OCF will be obtained from the National Office. All applications shall be filled out completely and returned with a picture of the applicant to the National Office.
- B. Final decision on volunteers for work in Bogue Chitto on OCF will rest jointly with the National Office and the VVAW/WSO Bogue Chitto Collective.
- C. The National Office will forward copies of all applications with the picture to the Bogue Chitto Collective.
- D. All volunteers working on OCF in Dallas, Perry and Wilcox Counties will do so under the auspices of the VVAW/WSO Bogue Chitto Collective.
- E. All volunteers will be on probation for the first thirty (30) days from the time they arrive in Bogue Chitto. During this time, the volunteer can and should take part in all discussion regarding Operation County Fair. However, during this probation period, the volunteer may be dismissed at any time by either the members of the Bogue Chitto Collective who are not on probation, or by the National Collective of VVAW/WSO.

VOTE: This proposal received unanimous acceptance and is now the guideline for running the Operation County Fair Project.

NOMINATIONS FOR NATIONAL COORDINATOR:

The terms of office for Barry Romo and Sam Schorr will be completed at the next NSCM in April. This means that two national coordinator positions will be open and two coordinators will be elected at the next meeting.

Nominations for National Coordinator were then taken and the nominees questioned. The following people were nominated to fill the positions which will be open in April and these people will have to inform the National Office of their decision to accept or decline the nomination at least 60 days prior to the next NSCM. The nominees are: Sam Schorr (National), Pete Zastrow (MOINKVVAWPA), Barry Romo (National), Jeanie Dolly (California), and Bill Hager (California).

WSI ON CONCEALMENT OF US CASUALTIES IN VIETNAM:

The New York/N. New Jersey region came to the meeting with the intention of proposing a WSI on the concealment of U.S. casualties in Vietnam. The purpose of such an investigation would be to expose the U.S. military in their on-going attempts to deceive the American people, and would be run similarly to other Winter Soldier Investigations, i.e. testimony would be gathered and given, etc. This proposal was tabled by the region, but New York stated that they would be acting as a Clearinghouse for information of this type. If regions or chapters have information concerning the concealment of casualty figures or would like information on this project, contact the New York regional office: P.O. Box 902, Ellicott Station, Buffalo, New York 14215.

ROUND ROBIN REPORTS PROPOSAL:

PROPOSAL: That in the future no oral Round Robin reports be given at NSCMs. Written reports from regions should include a summary of the work they are doing with an overall analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of the region. ~~These reports should show clearly what things were done right and wrong, what tactics proved to be effective, etc., so that we can learn from each others errors and practice.~~ Round Robins should be honest reflections of the Region's work. Amendment: That time is to be set aside for delegates to read all Round Robin reports and time allotted where questions about the written reports may be asked the regions on a one-at-a-time basis.

VOTE: This proposal passed with a vote of 53-yes; 7-no; 5-abs.

PROPOSAL ON DEATH DRUGS:

At the St. Louis NSCM, it was decided that we would hold a workshop on Death Drugs at this meeting. Because few people signed up for the workshop, it was cancelled. In light of this, the following proposal was made.

PROPOSAL: That we have a workshop at the next NSCM on Death Drugs for the purpose of drawing up a VVAW/WSO position paper on the subject. Amendment: That workshops be set up in the regions for the purpose of discussing Death Drugs and bringing in-put to the NSCM.

VOTE: The proposal for a Death Drugs workshop was unanimously accepted.

PROPOSAL FROM NOSCAM:

According to the Amnesty Workshop proposals, NOSCAM is to compile a newsletter on discharge upgrading and mail it to all chapters doing discharge upgrading work and to regional offices. Because of this, the following proposal was made:

PROPOSAL: That NOSCAM be empowered to extend subscriptions of the Discharge Upgrading Project newsletter to those individuals and groups who are working with VVAW/WSO on discharge upgrading on a case-by-case basis. This is specifically in regard to the Military Law Project in St. Louis and the Lawyers Military Defense Committee in Washington, D. C.

VOTE: This proposal failed with a vote of 29-3/4-yes; 30-1/4-no.

VVAW/WSO SOLIDARITY SONG:

A brother from the Colorado region had written a song based on the objectives of VVAW/WSO and sang it several times at the NSCM. Because there was a great deal of enthusiasm around the song, the following proposal was made:

PROPOSAL: That Russ Scheidler's song be adopted as a solidarity song of VVAW/WSO and that the song be sung at the closing of the meeting.

VOTE: This proposal received unanimous acceptance and the song is printed below.

VVAW/WSO SOLIDARITY SONG

1. We demand an end to all this fighting now  
Repay the Indochinese they've been wronged and how
2. All the men and women who protect this land  
Should be allowed to live like people hand in hand
3. For MyLai William Calley got the run around but  
The guilt goes to the man who passes orders down
4. Racism perpetuates society  
That's one reason no one here is really free
5. We're taught to look at women as things all along  
But with women there as equals men are twice as strong
6. To support the right of workers all to organize  
To strike and guard their labor we do sympathize
7. This is how we feel and take the world in view  
To live a better life is what we will insure

Chorus: VVAW/WSO will struggle hard for unity and victory,  
you know.

SUGGESTION FOR VVAW/WSO TOUR:

Following the acceptance of Russ's song as a solidarity song, it was suggested that regions should kick around the idea of putting together a summer tour of VVAW/WSO members. This group would tour the country, visit various regions and do things such as speaking gigs, songs, theater, cultural items, etc. all of which would be in line with our objectives and projects. Regions should discuss this idea and if there are ideas or questions, people should contact either the Ohio or Colorado regional offices. This tour idea would work something like the IPC tour which occurred this fall around the country.

SITE AND DATE OF NEXT NSCM:

Two regions volunteered to host the next NSCM -- California and Wisconsin. Because the organization already adopted a policy (in July of 1972) of keeping NSCMs in a centrally located part of the country, the California region withdrew their proposal to host the meeting.

Therefore, the next NSCM will be held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and the date for this meeting is to be April 11-15, 1974.

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CRITICISM / SELF - CRITICISM

As suggested by the NSCM workshop, a criticism/self-criticism session was held following completion of the meeting. Regions took turns offering their criticisms and self-criticisms and the following is a compilation of the major points which were raised.

1. There were major criticisms of the whole Steering Committee for its failure to place practice ahead of paperwork. Proposals were placed in terms such as "should, analyze, research or write an article" but the NSC did not place any demands on itself. The purpose of a NSCM is to decide what the national organization will be doing, but the majority of the "work" done was in terms of no burdens on the membership. This was seen as detrimental as it leaves the organization with no active projects for membership to work around. This can be seen by comparing what was done around two different issues. The NSC voted to have the National Collective write many things such as a paper on the possibility of a domestic coup, but it would not vote on positive action to be taken for brother Gary Lawton. This abdicating of work responsibility cannot help build VVAW/WSO. People must be prepared at the next NSCM to vote on actual work proposals, not on creating new paperwork.

2. Some regions criticized themselves for being late to meetings or being lax in plenary or workshop participation. This was viewed as a lack of discipline which is detrimental to the steering committee as a whole.

3. On the whole, there was a lack of discipline shown by the body. There was talking while others were talking, and general disruptiveness. Also, people were making points which had already been made for the purpose of hearing oneself talk. This played out in terms of ego and needs to be combatted. More discipline should be exercised to cut down on discussion time, disruption, etc. and so that we can get down to our real work.

4. Parliamentarianism was used as a tactic and a tool of manipulating discussions. This parliamentary wrangling and manipulating of procedure created a great deal of bureaucratic confusion and cumbersome legislative processes. Again, discipline and a better understanding of parliamentary procedure could alleviate this problem.

5. People showed a lack of respect for other people and delegations by being intolerant of certain political positions. We should be more careful in recognizing where other delegations are coming from and show more respect for diverse positions.

6. The Friday night elections were severely criticized as being something of a horror. Some regions were very disruptive with their voting and this caused us to spend four hours electing four people for four positions. At the time of the elections, the meeting completely degenerated due to a lack of discipline and getting hung up in procedural questions.

7. Logistically, the host region was commended for the excellent facilities provided. This was perhaps the most physically comfortable NSCM we have had. Sue Rovick and Bill Davis, the people in charge of food preparation and overall logistical coordination, were specifically thanked for the fine jobs they did. The host region did state that it was a mistake to hold a NSCM in a town where there is no chapter because the particulars of the town were not known.

8. There was a good deal of criticism about childcare and jobs such as food, clean-up and security. The childcare system (as well as volunteers for the other jobs) broke down during the meeting, but Ohio said that the "percentage" system of doing work which came out of the childcare workshop worked admirably. Some regions stated that they were unclear at the beginning of the meeting as to how much responsibility they were supposed to take in logistical jobs. Other people said that people showed a lack of discipline in not showing up for the jobs they had signed up for.

9. Positive statements were made to the affect that spirit at the meeting was high. Also, good political discussions were held in the workshops and the level of political education was high. Overall, a growth in the organization and forward progression was seen.

10. Overall, the criticism/self-criticism session was very good and quite productive. People took the task of criticism with a great deal of seriousness and made the discussion very worthwhile.

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