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Re Albany letter to San Antonio dated 1/2/74; and Houston nitel to the Bureau, dated 1/8/74.

Referenced Albany letter states that the license number RWY 335, which appeared on a Toyota at the VVAW/WSO meeting held December 7 - 9, 1973, at Oneonta, New York, may possibly have been RWY 533.

On January 8, 1974, records of the Motor Vehicle Division, Texas Highway Department, Austin, Texas, were checked for 1973 Texas License RWY 533 and these records disclosed that this license plate is for a 1970 Chrysler four door.

In view of the fact that the Houston sources know of no one from their area who has a Toyota and the fact that the license plate furnished by Albany checks out to vehicles with descriptions other than a Toyota, San Antonio is conducting no further investigation.

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Enclosed for the Bureau and receiving offices is one copy each of the National Office report, 11th National Steering Committee meeting, Yellow Springs, Ohio, and the 11th National Steering Committee meeting minutes, Yellow Springs, Ohio.

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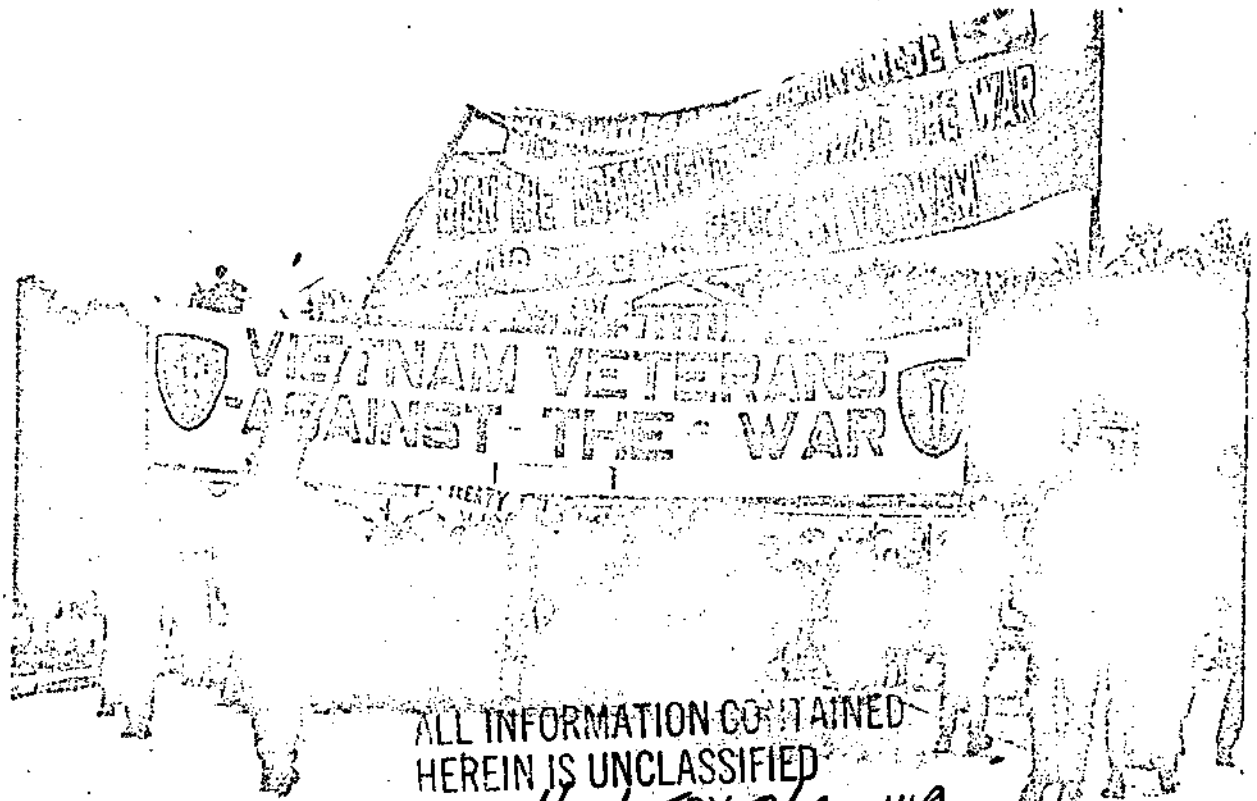
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NATIONAL OFFICE REPORT



11th National Steering Committee Meeting

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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:

BRIAN ADAMS -- AMNESTY, EXTERNAL LIAISON

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INTERNAL REPORT

The growth of VAW/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 inexcusable 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 of building bureaucracies which ultimately limit the capability of chapters to cooperate 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 detail 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 organization 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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NATIONAL PROJECT REPORT

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 Zurebu 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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REPORT FROM RICH BANNERT

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 ISCM, the National Collective has 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 none 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.

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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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MOSCOW WORLD PEACE CONGRESS REPORT

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

struggle being waged around the world, and in familiarizing these struggles with the work VVAW/WSO is doing in the U. S.

Particularly useful bilateral meetings were held between VVAW/WSO 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/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 Sov-

The following section 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.

1. 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.

4. NEED FOR UNITY OF DEMANDS

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's sake, and are not primarily interested in an overt political action can at best only help a hand-

of a strong single discharge movement to develop and lead the amnesty movement on a national level. The sooner VVAW/WSO can set up its own DUPs, open up 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 on our own resources. We must be totally self-reliant in this area. If we do 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 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 examples 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 relevance to the GI movement they see in amnesty. Ask in 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 (vitaly 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/WSOs

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.

EXTERNAL 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.

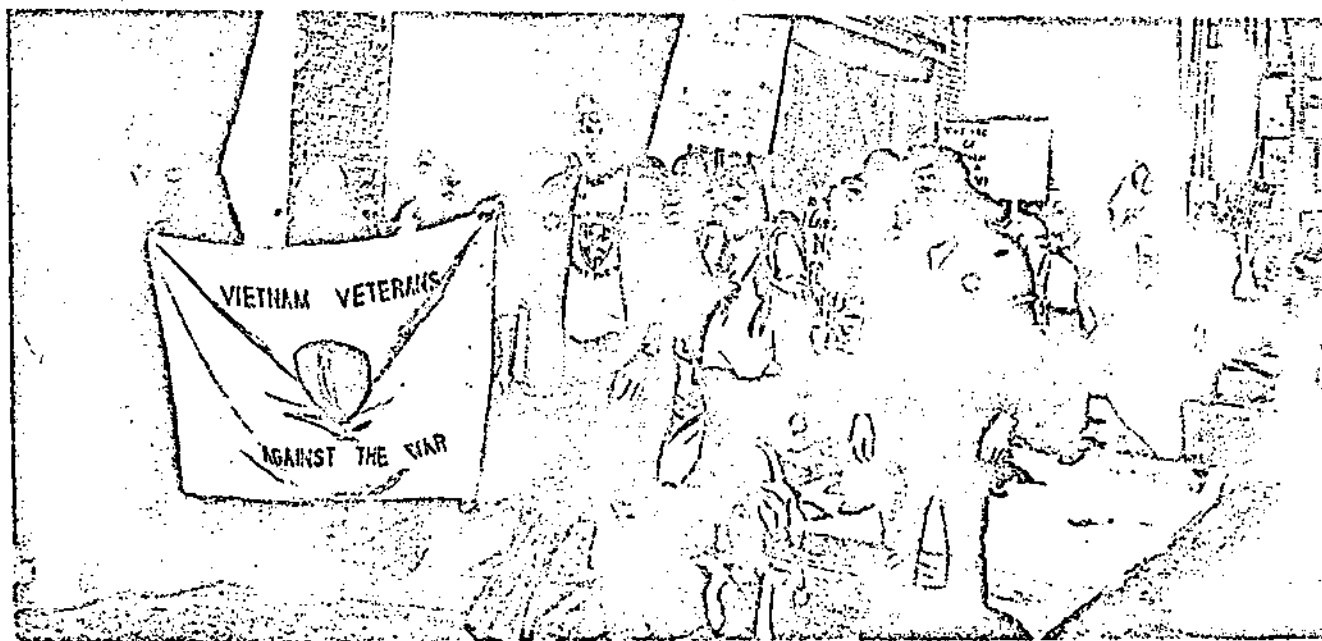
Internationally, our ties with progressive people and liberation struggles have grown and intensified. The organization has had the privilege of meeting and talking with representatives of Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam, Korea, Zimbabwe, Guinea-Bissau, Doraf and Japan, just to name a few. These have led to 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 go 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 Bog

Chitto Collective has been asked by the regional office to 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/WSC 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 Bogue Chitto Collective has picked up on the receptiveness of the local community and from blacks within Selma interested in this project and in VVAW/WSC. 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/WSC 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 April, 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 BUSINESSAFFILIATION 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 follows:

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

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 used as the individual who provoked the shootings by the National Guard. Also, there are approximately 7 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 CAMBODIAN CONFERENCE IN PARIS:

Barry Romo (National Office) and Pete Zastrow (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 REPORTSCHILD 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 affect 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 WORKSHOPANALYSIS 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.

MASS ORG. NIZATIONS - PRIORITIES WORKSHOP

We recognize that chapters and regions have differing resources, conditions and energies. Not all of us 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 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 toward 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 regionally 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 that 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 (i.e. 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.

3. Conduct research and compile resources related to prison work.
4. Responsible for prison information in Winter Soldier.
5. The National 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 WORKSHOP

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 pacified 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.

NOTE: 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 BUSINESS

OPERATION 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 (MOINKWVAWPA), Barry Romo (National), Jearnie 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 input to the NSCM.

VOTE: The proposal for a Death Drugs work shop 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. Parliamentaryism was used as a tactic and tool of manipulating discussions. This parliamentary wrangling and manipulating 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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BUILD VVAW/WSO

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 1/23/74

FROM : SAC, Memphis (100-5804)(RUC)

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

Re Birmingham report of SA [REDACTED] b7c
12/28/73.

b7c For the information of the Birmingham Office, the Memphis Office prepared a report regarding the Memphis chapter of captioned organization on 11/20/73. On 11/13/73 [REDACTED], who was coordinator of the Memphis chapter of the VVAW/WSO, was interviewed by Buagents and he advised that the Memphis chapter of this organization no longer exists. This information was confirmed by sources familiar with the activities of the VVAW/WSO and related organizations in the Memphis, Tennessee, area. Since the submission of this report, no additional information has been developed indicating that there is an active chapter of the VVAW/WSO in the Memphis, Tennessee, area.

Based on the above information, the Memphis Office does not contemplate conducting any further investigation regarding this organization at this time. The Memphis Office will, however, remain alert for information regarding the VVAW/WSO and should any information be received indicating that this organization is again active in the Memphis area, the case will be reopened, appropriate investigation conducted, and the Bureau and Chicago advised.

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ON 1/22/74, [REDACTED] ADVISED TWO INDIVIDUALS,
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OF RAISING MONEY FOR THE DEFENSE OF 11 PRISONERS AT
THE LEAVENWORTH PENITENTIARY TO STAND TRIAL IN THE
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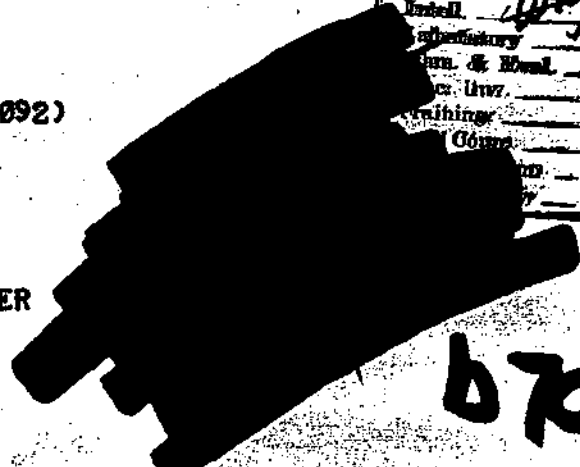
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TO: DIRECTOR (ATTN: INTD) (100-448092)

FROM: BUFFALO (100-27625) (P)



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

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ON 1/22/74, A PREVIOUSLY RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED THAT A DEMONSTRATION AND PICKETING SPONSORED BY BUFFALO CHAPTER, VVAW/WSO WILL OCCUR FROM NOON TIL 2:00 PM, FRIDAY, 1/25/74, AT FEDERAL BUILDING, 111 W. HURON, BUFFALO, NY. DEMONSTRATION AND PICKETING WILL CALL ATTENTION TO VVAW/WSO DEMANDS WHICH ARE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF TREATY ENDING VIETNAM WAR, UNIVERSAL AND UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY FOR ALL WAR RESISTERS, AND "KICK NIXON OUT". SOURCE ADVISED THAT DEMONSTRATION IS PLANNED TO BE PEACEABLE AND SEVERAL SUGGESTIONS THAT WERE MADE BY MEMBERS OF CHAPTER, VVAW/WSO THAT A SIT-IN BE HELD INSIDE THE FEDERAL BUILDING HAVE BEEN VOTED DOWN AT PRESENT TIME.

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VVAW/WSO IS NATIONAL VETERANS ORGANIZATION WITH HEADQUARTERS IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, THAT HAS PARTICIPATED IN DEMONSTRATIONS

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AGAINST WAR IN VIETNAM DURING 1970-1973, INCLUDING SEIZURE
OF STATUE OF LIBERTY, NYC, AND OCCUPATION OF BETSY ROSS
HOUSE, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANNIA, DECEMBER, 1971.

SIX MEMBERS OF VVAW/VSO WERE INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY,
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA, JULY, 1972, ON CHARGE OF CONSPIRACY TO
VIOLATE FEDERAL ANTI-RIOT LAW.

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SOURCE UTILIZED IS [REDACTED] BUFFALO PD, GENERAL SERVICES
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AND NY STATE POLICE COGNIZANT.

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Memorandum

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-⁴⁴⁸⁰⁹²488092)

DATE: 1/23/74

FROM SAC, KNOXVILLE (100-4270) (RUC)

SUBJECT VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO) ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI,
TENNESSEE REGION
IS - VVAW/WSO
OO: CHICAGO



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Re Birmingham report of SA [redacted] dated 12/28/73. b7c

For information of Bureau and Chicago, logical sources have been contacted regarding any VVAW activities Knoxville Division; however, no information received that this organization currently active Knoxville Division.

In view of the above, no further action being taken in this matter. If any information is received concerning this matter, the Bureau and interested offices will be notified and appropriate investigation conducted.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 1/18/74

FROM : SAC, SAN DIEGO (100-16820) (C)

SUBJECT: CHANGED
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
SAN DIEGO CHAPTER
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA
IS - VVAW/WSO

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Title changed to reflect addition of Winter Soldier Organization (WSO) designation.

Re San Diego report of SA [redacted] dated 7/20/73, captioned "VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR, SAN DIEGO CHAPTER, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, IS - RA".

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies and for Los Angeles two copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Two copies of an FD-376 are attached to the Bureau copies of the enclosure.

MCS
Copies of this LHM are being disseminated locally to United States Secret Service and Naval Investigative Service Office in view of their interest in VVAW members and the fact that [redacted], wife of [redacted] is a member of the U. S. Navy.

The following individuals mentioned in this LHM have been investigated and did not meet the ADEX criteria:

[redacted]

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The following confidential sources have been contacted and have advised they have no information concerning the San Diego Chapter of the VVAW/WSO:

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In view of the lack of activity of this organization, this case is being placed in a closed status, subject to being reopened in the event the San Diego Chapter of the VVAW/WSO again becomes active.

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[REDACTED] is [REDACTED] Investigative Support Unit,
San Diego Police Department, San Diego, California. (Protect
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County Sheriff's Office, San Diego, California. (Protect by
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

January 18, 1974
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
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SAN DIEGO CHAPTER
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

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
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Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Diego, California

January 18, 1974

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SAN DIEGO CHAPTER
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INTERNAL SECURITY -
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WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

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,

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1972, VVAW/WSO leaders and members were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Tallahassee, 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 engaged in sabotage and was possibly involved in the destruction of a munitions train in Arizona. VVAW/WSO is currently headquartered in Chicago, Illinois.

I. ACTIVITIES

Source advised that at the present time, the VVAW/WSO in San Diego appears to totally inactive and no meetings are currently being held. Source stated that [REDACTED] in San Diego, had advised him recently that interest in the VVAW in San Diego seems to be floundering.

[REDACTED] July 25, 1973)

Source advised that no individuals from San Diego were known to be attending a VVAW/WSO Southern California Regional Conference scheduled to take place on September 9, to September 23, 1973, at Redondo Beach, California.

[REDACTED] September 18, 1973)

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At a demonstration against Martial Law in the Philippines held on September 20, 1973, in downtown San Diego, California, and attended by approximately 100 people including representatives from the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) and Center for Radical Education (CRE), source advised that [REDACTED] an ex-VVAW member, stated that the San Diego Chapter of the VVAW was more or less defunct at the present time. It was noted that [REDACTED] VVAW leader, was still active in the Post Vietnam Syndrome (PVS) program.

[REDACTED], September 25, 1973)

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

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The Center for Radical Education (CRE) was organized off-campus near San Diego State University, San Diego, California, to present an alternate approach to education. CRE has built up the best library of subversive literature in San Diego. CRE does not openly advocate a violent overthrow of the United States Government at this time or violations of other laws; however, the activities of CRE indicate advocacy that eventual violent revolution to overthrow the present capitalist system in the United States is necessary.

Post Vietnam Syndrome (PVS) is a VVAW-sponsored program to provide advice, counsel, and other forms of rehabilitative assistance to Vietnam returnees who

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encounter difficulties in the transition
from military to civilian life.

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At a film preview sponsored by the CRE at San Diego State University (SDSU) on September 9, 1973, source advised that [redacted] a local movement participant and ex-VVAW member, stated that the VVAW is considering attempting a comeback in the San Diego area. [redacted] stated [redacted] is thinking about trying to reorganize this group.

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[redacted] October 16, 1973)

The VVAW was represented at a meeting of San Diego movement organizations on November 15, 1973, held at 5071 College Avenue, San Diego, California.

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[redacted] November 27, 1973)

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he made a Post Vietnam Syndrome presentation to an unidentified church group in San Diego. The purpose of this appearance was to enlist financial support from this church group in order to support the San Diego VVAW/WSO PVS program.

[REDACTED] November 30, 1973)

Source advised that the VVAW is not currently active but may attempt to reorganize a chapter in San Diego, centered around the PVS program, but problems are being encountered because of lack of support.

[REDACTED] January 10, 1974)

Source advised to his knowledge, there had been no meetings, demonstrations, or other activities by the VVAW in San Diego for the past few months and stated the group appears to be totally inactive at the present time.

[REDACTED] January 9, 1974)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 1/24/74

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

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
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Re Atlanta letter to Bureau, 12/28/73.

For the information of Atlanta [redacted] has advised that since the Florida Region absorbed the inactive Georgia Region no efforts have been made to reactivate the Georgia VVAW and no persons in Georgia were contacted. The Tampa VVAW, as regional headquarters of the VVAW, had plans to make contact with persons in Georgia, particularly the prior VVAW coordinator, but this was never done.

Since the regional headquarters of the VVAW was changed from Tampa to Miami at the end of December, 1973, it is not known if contact with Georgia persons has been made or is contemplated by the Miami VVAW.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/24/74

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There are enclosed for the Bureau 5 copies of LHM regarding captioned subject.

No recommendation is being made that the subject be included on ADEX since it is not believed his activities to date so warrant.

No recommendation is being made that he be interviewed in view of his admitted drug addiction and the fact he is no longer enrolled at UNM, as well as the fact that his participation in the VVAW/WSO appears to be minimal.

The subject's activities will continue to be followed through established sources and in the event his future activities warrant, appropriate recommendation will be submitted to the Bureau.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

RESIDENCE AND OCCUPATION

The records of the Registrar's Office, University of New Mexico (UNM), Albuquerque, New Mexico, disclosed that the subject currently resides at ~~████████████████████~~ Albuquerque, New Mexico, and that until November 1, 1973, he was enrolled as a student at UNM, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

BIRTH DATA

The records of the Registrar's Office, UNM, disclosed the subject was born ~~████████████████████~~ and has Social Security Number ~~████████████████████~~

EDUCATION

The above records also disclosed the subject was graduated from ~~████████████████████~~ on ~~██████████~~ and attended New Mexico State University (NMSU) from ~~██████████~~ to ~~██████████~~

The records of the Registrar's Office, NMSU, Las Cruces, New Mexico, disclosed the subject attended NMSU for only the ~~██████████~~ semester, at which time he was placed on scholastic probation.

The records of UNM disclosed he was admitted to UNM in ~~██████████~~ and attended for the spring term of that year. He was admitted to UNM on probation for the spring, ~~██████████~~ term and he also attended the spring ~~██████████~~ spring ~~██████████~~, and the fall ~~██████████~~ terms until ~~██████████~~ when he again withdrew.

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MILITARY RECORDS

Records of the Veterans Administration (VA) Regional Office disclosed subject, under Serial Number [REDACTED] served in the United States Army from [REDACTED] until [REDACTED] when he was honorably discharged.

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CREDIT

There is no record of the subject in the files of the Albuquerque Credit Bureau or the Credit Bureau, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

ARRESTS

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There is no record of the subject in the files of the Las Cruces, New Mexico, Police Department; the New Mexico State Police, Las Cruces, New Mexico; the Dona Ana County Sheriff's Office, Las Cruces, New Mexico; the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office, Albuquerque, New Mexico. The records of the Albuquerque Police Department disclosed the subject was arrested on [REDACTED] when he was discovered [REDACTED]. Action in this matter was suspended and the subject was turned over to the custody of his parents.

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ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE VVAW/WSO

The VVAW/WSO 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 1970-1972, 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/WSO were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Tallahassee, Florida, July, 1972, on charge of conspiracy to violate the Federal Antiriot Law.

On April 25, 1973, a source advised that during a meeting of the VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee at Placitas, New Mexico, on April 21, 1973, it was voted to change the name of VVAW to VVAW/WSO.

The 1973-1974 issue of the "Campus Key," a listing of organizations chartered on the UNM Campus for the current academic year lists the VVAW/WSO as one of these organizations. In addition, the subject is listed as one of the "Organizers." The stated purpose of the VVAW/WSO group at UNM is "to educate the public on the social ills of racism and sexism which create the basis for a divided society and lay open the doors for future wars."

According to an article which appeared in the August 30, 1973, issue of "The New Mexico Daily Lobo," student newspaper published at UNM, the subject, during the course of interview, stated he was serving as a coordinator for the VVAW/WSO organization at UNM and that the principal concern of this group was working for amnesty for individuals who were in violation of the Selective Service Act or who had deserted the Armed Forces because of their opposition to the Vietnam War. This article also set forth that from July 28, 1973 until August 7, 1973, the subject had been in Gainesville, Florida, to attend the trial of the eight VVAW/WSO members for alleged

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conspiracy to disrupt the 1972 Republican National Convention in Miami, Florida.

The [REDACTED] issue of "The New Mexico Daily Lobo" set forth a letter to the editor signed [REDACTED]. This letter claimed that

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On December 7, 1973, [REDACTED] advised that the only meeting held at UNM by the VVAW/WSO group during the fall, 1973, semester took place on December 4, 1973. This source advised he did not attend the meeting and was not in a position to state whether or not the subject attended.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

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FROM LOS ANGELES (100-77703) (P) 2P

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION; IS.

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RE LOS ANGELES TELCAL TO SAN FRANCISCO ON 1-18-74.

ON 1-25-74, A SOURCE, WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, CONFIRMED THAT THE CALIFORNIA-NEVADA REGION OF THE VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION HAS SCHEDULED MEETINGS OF THE REGIONAL CONFERENCE FOR 1/26-27/74 AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. SOURCE ADVISED APPROXIMATELY TEN TO FIFTEEN LOS ANGELES AREA MEMBERS PLAN ON ATTENDING. SOURCE UNABLE TO FURNISH IDENTITIES AT THIS TIME, HOWEVER, WILL REPORT SAME LATER.

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SOURCE ADVISED HE PLANS ON BEING IN ATTENDANCE AT THE
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 1/25/74

FROM : SAC, NORFOLK (100-6915) (RUC)

SUBJECT: VVAW/WSO
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Re Chicago airtel to Bureau, 12/10/73.

Sources within the Norfolk Division who are familiar with VVAW/WSO activities were contacted prior to the meeting which was held at Antioch College, 12/27-31/73 and could furnish no information as to any individuals from the Norfolk Division planning to attend the meeting.

Norfolk sources were recontacted subsequent to the meeting and were unable to furnish any names of any individuals from the Norfolk, Virginia, area who were known to have attended the VVAW/WSO meeting held at Antioch College.

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SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION
 IN THE PAST, ADVISED 1/21/74 THAT ON 1/26/74 VVAW/WSO,
 ASSISTED BY REVOLUTIONARY UNION, WAS SPONSORING
 PARADE TO BEGIN 11/00 A.M., STATE AND WACKER STREETS,
 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, ENDING WITH RALLY AT CHICAGO CIVIC
 CENTER. PROPOSED RALLY SPEAKERS TO BE JOHN YOUNG, EX-
 PRISONER OF WAR, SPEAKING ON AMNESTY; DAVID SANTIAGO,
 PUERTO RICAN SOCIALIST PARTY, SPEAKING ON PUERTO RICO
 AND INDO CHINA; AND BOB AVAKIAN, REVOLUTIONARY UNION,
 SPEAKING ON "KICK NIXON OUT."

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MARCH AND RALLY THEMES TO BE: 1. "KICK NIXON
 OUT", 2. "UNIVERSAL AND UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY",
 3. "U.S. SHOULD HONOR ALL PEACE AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER
 NATIONS".

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SOURCE ADVISED OTHER CHICAGO AREA GROUPS EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN MARCH AND RALLY WHICH SPONSORING GROUPS PLAN TO BE NON VIOLENT. ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS EXPECTED TO BE AROUND 200.

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REVOLUTIONARY UNION, IS A PRO-MAOIST, MARXIST-LENINIST REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATION, HEADQUARTERED IN THE CHICAGO AREA.

THE PUERTO RICAN SOCIALIST PARTY (PSP) WAS FOUNDED ON 11/21/71, AT THE 8TH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE MOVIMIENTO PRO INDEPENDENCIA DE PUERTO RICO, WHICH BY VOTE OF THE MEMBERSHIP CHANGED ITS NAME TO PSP. THE PSP IS A MARXIST-LENINIST ORGANIZATION SEEKING COMPLETE INDEPENDENCE FOR PUERTO RICO. THE PSP

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NEWSPAPER HAS CLAIMED THE RIGHT TO USE REVOLUTIONARY
VIOLENCE. THE PSP SUPPORTS THE FORCES OF THE CASTRO
CUBAN REVOLUTION AND MAINTAINS A PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
IN HAVANA, CUBA.

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SOURCE IS [REDACTED] CHICAGO PD AWARE, AND WILL BE PRESENT
AT, PROPOSED ACTIVITIES. BUREAU AGENTS WILL OBSERVE 1/26/73 ACTIVITIES
AND BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED. (S)u
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1 - Mr. W. E. Wannall

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1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

1/17/74

TO SAC MIAMI (100-16340)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (100-448092)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

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

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

REURAIKTEL DATED 12/18/73.

EXHAUSTIVE REVIEW OF FBIHQ FILES DISCLOSES NO INFORMATION WHICH WOULD SUPPORT ALLEGATIONS OF IMPROPRIETY ON THE PART OF SA [REDACTED] AS RAISED IN PARAGRAPH 3, PAGE 1, OF THE FD-302 ENCLOSED WITH REFERENCED AIRTEL. IN ORDER THAT THIS MATTER CAN BE RESOLVED WITH THE WATERGATE SPECIAL PROSECUTION FORCE (WSPF), AFFIDAVIT SHOULD BE OBTAINED FROM SA [REDACTED] SETTING FORTH FULL PARTICULARS REGARDING HIS CONTACTS WITH [REDACTED]

FBG:mjs
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NOTE:

See memorandum [REDACTED] to Mr. W. E. Wannall dated 1/16/74, captioned as above prepared by FBG:mjs.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

FROM: *WVW* SAC, MIAMI (100-16340) (P)

RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
IS - VVAW/WSO

Enclosed for the Bureau are original and three copies of an affidavit executed by SA [redacted] Miami, on 1/23/74. The affidavit concerns relationship between SA [redacted] and [redacted] Miami, Fla.

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~~TO: DIRECTOR (100-448952)~~

~~FROM: MILWAUKEE (100-15674)~~

~~VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR - WINTER SOLDIER
ORGANIZATION (VVAW); IS-VVAW-WSO. OO: MILWAUKEE~~

FIRST SOURCE, WHO HAS ^{Provided} SUPPLIED RELIABLE INFORMATION
 IN THE PAST ADVISED ~~INSTANT DATE~~ ^{ON JAN, 26, 1974} THAT ANTI-NIXON PARADE
 FOR ~~INSTANT DATE~~ ^{JAN, 26, 1974} COMMENCED AS SCHEDULED. THE PARADE
 WAS CONFINED TO MILWAUKEE'S EAST SIDE WITH APPROXIMATELY
 100 PARTICIPANTS. THE PARADE CENTERED ON THE ISSUES
 OF IMPEACHMENT AND UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY.

SECOND SOURCE, WHO WAS IN POSITION TO OBTAIN
 SUCH INFORMATION CONFIRMED THE ABOVE AND ALSO ADVISED
 PARADE WAS ORDERLY WITH NO INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OR
 ARRESTS MADE.

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RE MILWAUKEE NITEL DATED 1/21/74. FIRST SOURCE
IS [REDACTED] SECOND SOURCE IS [REDACTED] OF THE
FIFTH DISTRICT, MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT. IN VIEW
OF THE FACT THAT NO VIOLENCE OR ARRESTS OCCURED,
MILWAUKEE WILL NOT BE SUBMITTING LHM.

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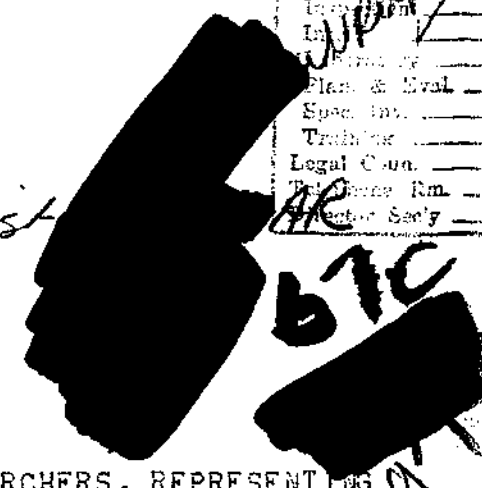
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TO: DIRECTOR (100-448092) AND (105-184369-9)

FROM: CHICAGO (100-52772) AND (100-53269)

Vietnam Veterans Against
VVAW/WSO, IS
REVOLUTIONARY UNION, IS

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BUREAU AGENTS OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 250 MARCHERS, REPRESENTING CAPTIONED GROUPS, AND VARIOUS OTHER PROTEST ORGANIZATIONS, START MARCH AT STATE AND WACKER, CHICAGO, 12:05 P.M. TODAY. THEY CARRIED SIGNS READING, "NIXON MUST GO - JAIL THE OIL BARONS," "JAIL NIXON - NOT THE DRAFT RESISTORS" - "BOYCOTT LETTUCE".

MARCHERS PROCEEDED VIA STATE STREET, VAN BUREN STREET, AND DEARBORN STREET, AND CHICAGO CIVIC CENTER, WHERE SEVERAL SPEAKERS URGED PRESIDENT NIXON BE REMOVED FROM OFFICE; UNIVERSAL AND UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY AND END UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT SUPPORT OF VIETNAM GOVERNMENT.

CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESENT DURING MARCH AND RALLY WHICH ENDED 1:20 P.M. ENTIRE PROCEEDINGS PEACEFUL, NO ARRESTS.

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RE CHICAGO TELETYPE DATED JANUARY 22, 1974. BUREAU AGENT COVERING MARCH AND RALLY WAS [REDACTED] NO LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM SUBMITTED.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 1/25/74

FROM : SAC, MOBILE (100-2408)(P)

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

Re New York airtel to Bureau, 1/17/74, transmitting LHM which on page 3 refers to "Operation County Fair."

Information has previously been submitted concerning "Operation County Fair" which involves a proposed establishment of a free clinic at Resurrection City (Love City), Bogue Chitto, Dallas County, Alabama, and sources have reported little or no progress has been made in this regard. Specifically, a confidential source in a position to observe activity at Bogue Chitto advised on 1/17/74, that the proposed peoples clinic appears to be floundering. Source said that little or no progress on the clinic has been made since the inception and there has been little support for the clinic in that area. Source noted that little or no supplies have been sent to the project and that the two white females formerly associated with the project, [redacted] and [redacted] have been living with a Negro family in the community and work at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Selma, Ala. to support themselves. According to source, [redacted] and [redacted] are not currently associated with the project and in fact the only persons at the Love City are [redacted] and her three children since her husband [redacted] left during 1973.

Mobile is following activity at Resurrection City through established sources and in the event this free clinic is established or any VVAW activity is noted, Bureau will be advised.

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[REDACTED] Ala.,
contacted by SA [REDACTED] 1/17/74, re Vietnam Veterans
Against the War.

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~~TO: DIRECTOR (152-44852) (ATTN: INTD)~~

~~FROM: BUFFALO (152-31623) (P)~~

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

AT NOON JANUARY 25, 1974 APPROXIMATELY 35 INDIVIDUALS, ALL
WHITE MALE AND FEMALE STUDENT TYPES, PARTICIPATED IN A DEMON-
STRATION ON SIDEWALK IN FRONT OF FEDERAL BUILDING, 111 W. HURON
ST., BUFFALO, ^{new york} NY, WHICH LASTED UNTIL 1:25 PM. DEMONSTRATION
SPONSORED BY VVAW WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF YOUNG WORKERS

LIBERATION LEAGUE (YWLL), SPARTACIST LEAGUE (SPL), ATTICA
BRIGADE (AB) AND YOUTH AGAINST WAR AND FASCISM (YAWF) PRESENT

VVAW IS A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION COMPOSED PRIMARILY
OF VETERANS OF WAR IN VIETNAM, THAT HAS ORGANIZED AND
PARTICIPATED IN NUMEROUS DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST THE WAR IN
VIETNAM DURING 1970-1972, INCLUDING THE SEIZURE OF THE STATUE
OF LIBERTY, NEW YORK CITY, AND THE OCCUPATION OF THE BETSY
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ROSS HOUSE, PHILADELPHIA, PA., IN DEC., 1971. SIX MEMBERS OF THE VVAW WERE INDICTED BY A FEDERAL GRAND JURY, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JULY, 1972, ON CHARGE OF CONSPIRACY TO VIOLATE THE FEDERAL ANTI-RIOT LAW.

YWLL IS THE YOUTH ARM OF COMMUNIST PARTY, USA (CPUSA). IT WAS FORMED AS MARXIST-LENINIST YOUTH GROUP IN FEBRUARY, 1970.

SPL WAS FOUNDED IN 1964, BY FORMER MEMBER OF THE SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (SWP). THE OBJECTIVE OF THE SPL IS TO DESTROY THE CAPITALIST SYSTEM AND CREATE A WORKERS CLASS SYSTEM AND SOCIETY.

THE SWP HAS BEEN DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 10450.

AB IS A STUDENT BASED ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN NEW YORK CITY IN FALL OF 1971. AB CONSIDERS ITSELF TO BE AN ANTI-IMPERIALIST ORGANIZATION WHICH VIEWS "U.S. IMPERIALISM AS THE MAIN ENEMY OF THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD." THE REVOLUTIONARY

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UNION (RU) HAS SIGNIFICANTLY INFILTRATED THE AB AND PLAYS A MAJOR ROLE IN THE AB POLICIES, DECISIONS AND ACTIVITIES.

RU WAS FOUNDED IN EARLY 1968 AND IS A MILITANT, SEMICLANDESTINE ORGANIZATION. ITS OBJECTIVES, AS SET OUT IN ITS PUBLICATIONS, ARE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A UNITED FRONT AGAINST IMPERIALISM, THE FOSTERING OF REVOLUTIONARY WORKING-CLASS UNITY AND LEADERSHIP IN STRUGGLE, AND THE FORMATION OF A COMMUNIST PARTY BASED ON MARXISM-LENINISM-MAO TSE-TUNG THOUGHT, LEADING TO THE OVERTHROW OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT BY FORCE AND VIOLENCE.

YAWF IS YOUTH GROUP OF THE WORKERS WORLD PARTY (WWP).

WWP WAS FOUNDED IN 1959 BY INDIVIDUALS WHO DISAGREED WITH POLICIES OF THE SWP. THE WWP DISSIDENTS ADVOCATED UNCONDITIONAL SUPPORT OF SOVIET UNION AND BUILDING OF A REVOLUTIONARY PARTY GEARED TO OVERTHROW CAPITALISM. MORE RECENTLY, WWP HAS CALLED FOR PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS TO SINO-SOVIET DISPUTES, HOWEVER, WWP GENERALLY SUPPORTS THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN ITS IDEOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES.

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The DEMONSTRATION CONSISTED OF DISTRIBUTING LEAFLETS DEMANDING THE IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TREATY WHICH ENDED AMERICA'S PARTICIPATION IN THE VIETNAM WAR, END ^{MS} ALL AID TO THIEU AND LON NOL, UNIVERSAL AND UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY FOR ALL WAR RESISTERS, AND TO "KICK NIXON OUT." DEMONSTRATORS ~~W~~ MARCHED IN PICKET LINE ON THE SIDEWALK CARRYING A BANNER REPRESENTING THE VVAV, ~~ALSO~~ CARRYING WHAT APPEARED TO BE TWO PAPER MACHE HEADS OF PRESIDENT NIXON ~~PAINTED~~ ON THE END OF TWO SIX FT. POLES, AND TWO VIET CONG FLAGS.

DEMONSTRATION WAS ORDERLY AND NO UNUSAL INCIDENTS OCCURRED. DEMONSTRATORS WERE AFFORDED LOCAL TV AND NEWS MEDIA COVERAGE.

DEMONSTRATION ATTRACTED NO NOTEWORTHY ATTENTION FROM GENERAL PUBLIC.

~~A PREVIOUSLY RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED PARTICIPANTS VIEWED DEMONSTRATION AS NOT VERY SUCCESSFUL.~~

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~~LOCAL AUTHORITIES AWARE.~~

~~NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.~~

~~GSA BUFFALO, NY, FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE, BUFFALO,~~

~~NY; NYSP AND BUFFALO PD COGNIZANT~~

~~SOURCE IS~~ [REDACTED]

~~DEMONSTRATION OBSERVED BY SAS~~ [REDACTED] ~~OR. AND~~

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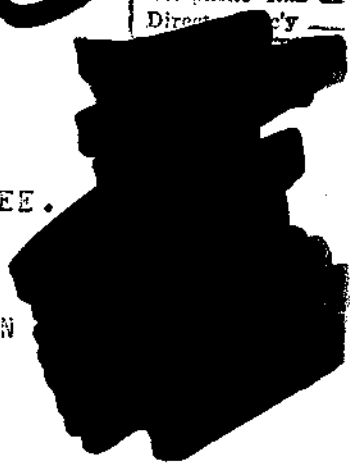
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FROM: MILWAUKEE (100-15674)

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR - WINTER SOLDIER

ORGANIZATION (VVAW); IS-VVAW-WSO. OO: MILWAUKEE.

FIRST SOURCE, WHO HAS SUPPLIED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT ANTI-NIXON PARADE FOR INSTANT DATE COMMENCED AS SCHEDULED. THE PARADE WAS CONFINED TO MILWAUKEE'S EAST SIDE WITH APPROXIMATELY 100 PARTICIPANTS. THE PARADE CENTERED ON THE ISSUES OF IMPEACHMENT AND UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY.

SECOND SOURCE, WHO WAS IN A POSITION TO OBTAIN SUCH INFORMATION CONFIRMED THE ABOVE AND ALSO ADVISED PARADE WAS ORDERLY WITH NO INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OR ARRESTS MADE.

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RE MILWAUKEE NITEL DATED 1/21/74. FIRST SOURCE IS [REDACTED] SECOND SOURCE IS [REDACTED] OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT, MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT NO VIOLENCE OR ARRESTS OCCURED, MILWAUKEE WILL NOT BE SUBMITTING LHM.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)
FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (100-15819) (P)
SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
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Re Kansas City nitel to the Bureau captioned "KANSAS CITY VVAW, IS - VVAW", dated 1/22/74.

Minneapolis indices, including Wounded Knee Special indices, were checked concerning [redacted] and [redacted] on 1/29/74 with negative results.

No loc.

[redacted] who is familiar with VVAW activities in the Minnesota-Dakotas area, advised 1/28/74 that neither name is familiar to him.

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Date: 1/29/74

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-50772)

SUBJECT: VVAW/WSO
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RE
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR
Re Kansas City tel, 11/22/74, captioned
"KANSAS CITY VVAW, IS-VVAW," no copy Albany.

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[redacted] advised 1/24/74, that during recent discussion at VVAW/WSO National Headquarters it was mentioned that [redacted] and [redacted] had been directed by VVAW/WSO National Office to proceed to Kansas City and work with unidentified individuals there in forming a committee to assist prisoners coming to trial in near future. [redacted] and [redacted] were not present during this discussion, were not further identified and source is not acquainted with either of these individuals. Chicago indices contain no information identifiable with [redacted].

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Albany LHM, 12/27/73, captioned "VVAW/WSO REGIONAL MEETING OF NEW YORK/NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, VVAW/WSO," indicated that a [redacted] from [redacted] attended this 12/8-9/73, meeting and brought up subject of correspondence with prisoners.

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For information of Albany,
advised [redacted] referenced Kansas City tel
[redacted] and [redacted] had arrived Kansas
City, 1/21/74, to assist in organizing Leavenworth
Defense Committee for defense of 11 prisoners at
Leavenworth Penitentiary.

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[redacted] who is white male, [redacted]
[redacted] pounds, [redacted] hair, [redacted] age [redacted]
has said he is VVAW/WSO member and has assisted
in Gainesville and Wounded Knee Defense Committees.
He is to start Marxist-Leninist study session in
Kansas City.

[redacted] a VVAW/WSO member, is described
as white male, [redacted] hair, age [redacted]

Kansas City requested background information
on above individuals.

Albany, check indices and recontact sources
who furnished information re 12/8-9/73 VVAW/WSO National
meeting, Oneonta, New York, for further identifying
data re [redacted]. Also, check indices re [redacted].

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-160644) (P)
SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
IS - VVAW/WSO
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RENYnitel to Bureau, Chicago and Cincinnati, 12/21/73.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM, dated and captioned as above concerning a report to the New York City (NYC) chapter, VVAW/WSO on 1/7/74 on the National Steering Committee (NSC) meeting of the VVAW/WSO, held at Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, 12/27-31/73. Two copies of LHM are disseminated to listed offices inasmuch as it contains information of interest to those offices.

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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 12/71 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 7/72 VVAW/WSO leaders and members were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Tallahassee, for violation of Federal statutes, including conspiracy to riot during Republican National Convention, 8/72. One of these individuals was also indicted for possession of an unregistered explosive and incendiary device. In 1/73 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.

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Source utilized in the LHM is NY [redacted] Informant report is located in [redacted] b2b7D

The investigative status of those persons mentioned in the LHM is as follows:

[redacted] (NY 100-170991) -
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investigation pending;
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[redacted] (NY 100-173187) -
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[redacted] (100-171898) -
investigation closed;
not included on ADEX

Indices of NY Office are negative concerning [redacted] and [redacted]

No local dissemination of the LHM was to outside agencies by the NY Office.

Receiving offices are requested to review LHM, index the names and organizations mentioned therein of interest to those offices and to take action deemed appropriate.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York
January 17, 1974

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Bureau file 100-448092
New York file 100-160644

Vietnam Veterans Against
the War/Winter Soldier
Organization (VVAW/WSO)

The VVAW/WSO 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 (NYC) and the occupation of the Betsy Ross House, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in December, 1971. Its national headquarters is located in Chicago, Illinois.

On January 15, 1974, a confidential source advised that the monthly meeting of the VVAW/WSO, NYC Chapter, was held at the headquarters of the NYC Chapter, Washington Square Methodist Church, 135 West 4th Street, NYC on January 7, 1974. The number in attendance varied from about 20 to 40 during the lengthy meeting. The meeting was chaired successively by [REDACTED] a former National Coordinator, VVAW/WSO, [REDACTED] Staff Member, NYC Chapter, VVAW/WSO, and [REDACTED] Member of NYC Chapter.

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The major part of the meeting was devoted to a report by [REDACTED] a former National Coordinator, VVAW/WSO, on the National Steering Committee (NSC) meeting of VVAW/WSO held at Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, during December 27-31, 1973. Urgo reported as follows:

A Workshop on Priorities was held at which the following six major points were discussed with the suggestion that the local chapters do the same with regard to their priorities.

1. Does the priority elevate political consciousness?
2. Does it help recruit new members?
3. Does it build mass support?
4. Does it fulfill the organization's ten objectives?
5. Does it promote class struggle?
6. Is it feasible for the particular local area?

A workshop was held on the possibility of a domestic coup. Urgo did not elaborate on this.

A national mandate was given to support national actions around the subject of Indochina on January 27, 1974.

A VVAW/WSO organizers conference will be held during the summer of 1974 at an unspecified time and place to train organizers.

A workshop was held on labor which reported on successful efforts by several members of the VVAW/WSO in Ohio and Pennsylvania to help organize truck stoppages in those states during December, 1973, with respect to fuel shortages.

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b7c [redacted] Work on prisons will become a major VVAW/WSO project. [redacted], [redacted] (phonetic) and [redacted], will travel to Leavenworth Prison to help build support for the Leavenworth 3/30. This refers to the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, at which three prisoners have been indicted and thirty are facing indictment. Urgo did not specify the charges. VVAW/WSO Chapters are active in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth and at the New York State Prison, Attica, New York. Efforts will be made to help build existing chapters and to start new chapters in other prisons. VVAW/WSO members were urged to correspond with prisoners but only if they intend to continue with the task as prisoners depend heavily on support from the outside.

b7c An intensive week of meetings will take place in Chicago, Illinois, on February 23-25, 1974 to plan for political defense and the upcoming trials of [redacted] in Riverside, California, the Leavenworth trials and other trials involving veterans.

Amnesty is another major project of the VVAW/WSO nationally. A national action is tentatively scheduled for late June or early July, 1974, on the amnesty issue, probably in Washington, D. C. with the targets being the Veterans Administration Building, the Pentagon and the Justice Department Building. In preparation for this national action local chapters will hold Discharge Upgrading Projects concerning the upgrading of less than honorable discharges given to Vietnam War veterans and the conducting of publicity campaigns around local draft evader-returnees who turn themselves in.

Another workshop revolved around "Operation County Fair" which is the establishment of medical care facilities in the counties of Dallas, Perry and Wilcox in Alabama. The NSC agreed to support this and also the planned clinic and educational project planned for the community of Boga Chita, Alabama. VVAW/WSO members are urged to send money, clothes, medical supplies, medical volunteers and construction personnel to help build the clinic and get the project going.

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A Winter Soldier Investigation will be held in 1974 on the concealment of United States casualties during the War in Vietnam.

An announcement was made of the project known as "In from the Cold", a Winter Soldier type investigation planned for early 1975 on United States intelligence activities during the Vietnamese War and currently to be directed by a Washington, D. C. based organization known as Committee for Action/Research on the Intelligence Community (CARIC). This project has a budget of \$40,000. Questionnaires are being prepared and will be sent to persons believed to be willing to give testimony.

The NSC agreed to continue its support of the Cairo United Front, a citizens group in Cairo, Illinois, that aids the Negro community in that city.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/30/74

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (100-12712) (C)

SUBJECT: MRS. [REDACTED] aka b7c

SM-VVAW/WSO

OO: DALLAS

*Visit Mom Veterans
Against The War*

Title marked changed IO to reflect given name of Mrs. [REDACTED] as [REDACTED] Title formerly carried as "MRS. [REDACTED], SM-VVAW/WSO, OO: DALLAS."

Re St. Louis report dated 10/12/73, entitled "VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM), St. Louis, Missouri, 8/23-27/73," and also Bureau letter dated 11/7/73, captioned "VVAW/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, IS-VVAW/WSO."

In referenced St. Louis report, it was noted that 1973 Texas licenst number KZL-950 was observed on a vehicle at the VVAW/WSO NSCM in St. Louis, Missouri, between 8/23-27/73. It was determined that Texas license number KZL-950 is on a 1971 Oldsmobile four door hard top, registered to Mrs. [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Street, Tyler, Texas.

On 12/13/73, a check of Polk's city directory for Tyler, Smith County, Texas, 1973, disclosed that [REDACTED] Street, Tyler, is employed as a [REDACTED] for Gulf States-United Telephone Company, Tyler, and his wife, as [REDACTED] (employment not noted).

On 12/20/73, [REDACTED] Tyler, Texas, advised that he had the following record on the [REDACTED] as of 6/6/71:

Name [REDACTED]
Residence [REDACTED] Street FEB 6 1974
Tyler, Texas

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Gulf States Telephone
Company, Tyler, as a

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On 1/9/74,

Gulf States-

United Telephone Company, Tyler, Texas, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he knows the family quite well as a result of their mutual association with the Gulf States-United Telephone Company. stated that he has never known of anything derogatory as far as the family is concerned. He stated that Mr. comes from a prominent family in Tyler. He advised that currently is employed with the in Tyler. He advised that the have age

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Mr. advised that Mr. regular working days are Monday through Friday, and the records indicate Mr. worked 8/23, 24, and 27, 1973, the 25th and 26th being the weekend. Mr. advised that during the period 8/23-27/73, Mrs. was employed at the stated it is his understanding that is just now learning to drive through driver's education at her school. He stated that never mentioned anything about having the license plates stolen from the 1971 Oldsmobile.

On 1/9/74, Tyler PD, advised she had no record for or stated that there has been no report of any missing license plates for any of the

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On 1/9/74, the following persons at the indicated agencies were contacted concerning any records for [redacted] or [redacted] with negative results:

Sergeant [redacted] Criminal Records, Tyler, PD.

Detective [redacted] Juvenile Records, Tyler, Texas PD.

Sheriff HARLAN LONG, Smith County SO.

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On 1/24/74, Mrs. [redacted] advised that [redacted] was employed as a [redacted] for the Tyler [redacted] during the month of [redacted] for 8/73. [redacted] stated that Mrs. [redacted] employment records indicated that she worked 8/23, 24, 27/73. Mrs. [redacted] stated that Mrs. [redacted] had the [redacted] at the [redacted] and that Mrs. [redacted] used her black over blue colored Oldsmobile to drive to work each day. [redacted] stated that the records reflect [redacted] DOB as [redacted]

As investigation has shown Mrs. [redacted] and her family are not involved in any VVAW/WSO activities, and neither [redacted] or [redacted] or their 1971 Oldsmobile were out of the Tyler, area during 8/23-27/73, it would appear from the investigation in Tyler that there was a possible error in identification of the license number of the [redacted] vehicle. In view of this, no LHM being furnished, UACB.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/31/74

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-76559) (C)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] b7c
SM - VVAW/WSO

Re San Francisco letter to Director dated 12/7/73 entitled "Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization, IS - VVAW/WSO."

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM regarding captioned Subject.

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San Francisco Police Department records were checked by SC [REDACTED]

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San Francisco, California

January 31, 1974

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[REDACTED]

During the course of an investigation regarding an individual connected with the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/ Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) in October, 1973, it was determined that [REDACTED] used his BankAmericard to rent a vehicle so that this individual would have transportation to and return from Los Angeles. The individual attended a Regional Conference in the Los Angeles area of the VVAW/WSO from September 22-23, 1973.

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A source who is familiar with some VVAW/WSO activities in the San Francisco Bay Area advised on November 28, 1973, that [REDACTED] was unknown to the source, and he was not aware of [REDACTED] having attended any VVAW/WSO activities.

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Birth

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Employment

A second source advised in December, 1972, that [REDACTED] in 1973 was employed by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] San Francisco, California.

Military

[REDACTED] was in the [REDACTED] at Los Angeles, California, Service Number [REDACTED]

FBI Identification record:

Identification Records

FBI Identification criminal records as of December 3, 1973, were negative regarding [REDACTED]

San Francisco Police Department Identification records were negative regarding [REDACTED] as of January 15, 1974.

Education

[REDACTED] attended San Francisco City College from the spring, 1971 through the fall of 1972.

Records of San Francisco City College Registrar's Office, 1/28/74

Voter's Registration records, San Francisco, as of [REDACTED], revealed that [REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED] Street, San Francisco, and has Social Security Number [REDACTED]

The following is a description of [REDACTED] as obtained from Identification, school and Department of Motor Vehicles records, as well as personal observation:

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Name

Born

Sex

Eyes

Race

Hair

[REDACTED] Opland, California

Male

White

[REDACTED] has [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

[REDACTED]

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Weight
Height
Scars and Marks
Military Service
Social Security Number
Residence
Marital Status

[REDACTED] pounds
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Street,
San Francisco
[REDACTED] - Wife,
[REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 29, 1974

FROM : LEGAT, TOKYO (100-1258) RUC

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] b7c
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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 1/28/74

FROM : *2* LEGAT, PARIS (100-3189)(RUC)

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

ReBucable dated 12/4/73, captioned as above, and Tokyo letter dated 10/31/73, captioned "PACIFIC COUNSELING SERVICE; VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR; NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD".

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[REDACTED]

All logical investigation at this time has been completed and captioned matter is being RUC'd.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/31/74

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SAC, DENVER (100-11051)(C)

SUBJECT: *b7c* [REDACTED]

SM - VVAW/WSO
OO: DENVER

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Re Denver letter and LHM, 5/3/73; Denver letter, 11/13/73, in the VVAW/WSO case (Bufile 100-448092) indicating Denver was reopening its investigation on subject in view of her attendance at the St. Louis National Steering Committee meeting, 8/73.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of LHM concerning subject. Two copies of FD-376 are also enclosed.

One copy of LHM is being furnished locally to U.S. Secret Service, Denver, Colorado.

The LHM is classified ~~confidential~~ to protect extremely valuable sources two and three.

Sources utilized are as follows:

Source	Identity	Location
<i>b2</i> Source two	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
<i>b7D</i> Source three	[REDACTED]	Instant LHM

In view of subject's decision to leave VVAW/WSO, she is not being considered for Adex. Neither the Rocky Mountain Military Project nor the Lowry Project; with which she is currently affiliated, is engaged in activities which could be considered in violation of Federal Laws so far as current investigation indicates. Referenced letter of 5/3/73, points out that Denver has received information indicating subject has been uncooperative and

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antagonistic regarding local police interviews. In view of this and the fact that she is still active in anti-Government activities, Denver does not contemplate attempting an interview. This case is being closed subject to being reopened should her activities appear to be in violation of Federal statutes.

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NON-SYMBOL SOURCE PAGE

<u>Source</u>	<u>Identity</u>	<u>Location</u>
Source four	<i>b7c</i> [REDACTED] Main Post Office Denver, Colorado	100-11051-27
Source one	All informants present at National Steering Committee Meeting, VVAW/WSQ, St. Louis, Missouri, 8/23-27/73	100-11051-26



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

January 31, 1974

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

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-11051

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RE:

**VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION**

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

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service, Denver (RM)

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
SUBVERSIVE MATTER

This investigation was reinstated inasmuch as information was received which indicated that subject may have been engaged in activities which could involve violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Sections 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of the Government), 2387 (Sedition), and 2101 (Antiriot Laws).

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Source one has advised [REDACTED] was present at the National Steering Committee Meeting for Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO); and source two has advised subject was listed as a member of the Regional Staff Collective for VVAW/WSO, Denver, Colorado as of February, 1973, and was in attendance at a National Steering Committee Meeting of VVAW/WSO at Yellow Springs, Ohio, December 26, 1973, to January 1, 1974.

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VVAW/WSO

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 12/71 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 7/72, VVAW/WSO leaders and members were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Tallahassee, for violation of Federal statutes, including conspiracy to riot during Republican National Convention, 8/72. One of these individuals was also indicted for possession of an unregistered explosive and incendiary device. In 1/73, 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.

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BACKGROUND

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AREA OF SUBJECT'S ORGANIZATION

On [REDACTED] Source three advised subject's name is [REDACTED]. Source two advised on November 23, 1973, that subject's name is [REDACTED].

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DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH

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Subject was born [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] according to source three on [REDACTED].

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MARITAL STATUS

Source three stated on [REDACTED] that he learned from [REDACTED] immediate superior that she is planning to take off from work around the first of the year of 1974 to marry one (first name unknown) [REDACTED].

On November 23, 1974, source two advised [REDACTED] plans to marry [REDACTED] for the Rocky Mountain Military Project (RMMP), 1460 Pennsylvania Street, Room 3, in December, 1973. Source has indicated that the RMMP is a draft and military counseling service, which is basically anti-military in its philosophy.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER

According to source three on [REDACTED] subject has Social Security Account Number [REDACTED].

EMPLOYMENT

Source three on [REDACTED] advised subject works as a [REDACTED] for the [REDACTED] Denver, Colorado. She commenced employment [REDACTED] at a weekly salary of [REDACTED]. According to her supervisor, the telephone company has experienced no trouble with [REDACTED] who seems to be "a nice employee."

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RESIDENCE

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As of [REDACTED] resided at [REDACTED] Street, apartment [REDACTED] according to source three on [REDACTED]. Source two stated the membership list of VVAW/WSO dated February, 1973, listed [REDACTED] address as [REDACTED] Street, apartment [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED].

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

ACTIVITIES

According to source one in late August, 1973, and early September, 1973, [REDACTED] was one of approximately six from the Colorado-Utah-Wyoming region of VVAW/WSO who attended the National Steering Committee Meeting of VVAW/WSO held at St. Louis, Missouri, August 23-27, 1973.

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On October 18, 1973, source four advised [REDACTED] was authorized to receive mail at Post Office Box [REDACTED] which had been rented for VVAW, Inc., with offices at [REDACTED], apartment [REDACTED], the residence of [REDACTED].

Source two advised December 5, 1973, that the February, 1973, membership list for the Colorado-Utah-Wyoming region of VVAW/WSO indicated that [REDACTED] was a member of the Regional Staff Collective.

The [REDACTED] issue of the "Rocky Mountain News," daily newspaper containing article concerning the trial of Army Private Richard Bucklin at Ft. Carson, Colorado. Bucklin was charged in connection with his having fled from active duty and spending five years in Sweden during the Vietnam War. The article indicated that [REDACTED] who was active in two anti-war veteran groups, was [REDACTED] committee.

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On November 28, 1973, source two stated on November 21, 1973, [REDACTED] working in the Regional Office of VVAW/WSO, sent out a letter to two other Colorado chapters requesting them to write Congress supporting the Roybal Bill, which would cut aid to Saigon.

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Source two advised in November and December, 1973, that [REDACTED] attended VVAW/WSO Regional Staff Meetings on November 27 and December 11, 1973; and on January 4, 1974, source advised subject was one of those from the Regional Staff who attended the National Steering Committee Meeting at Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, December 26, 1973, to January 1, 1974. While on the trip, [REDACTED] resigned from the Regional Staff and as of January 4, 1974, she was considered to be only a member of the Denver Chapter of VVAW/WSO.

On January 10, 1974, source two advised [REDACTED] is now completely inactive in VVAW/WSO by her own choice. She is currently working with the RMMP and with the Lowry Project (a group which publishes an underground type newspaper called "Blue Screw," anti-military in nature, aimed at conditions on Lowry Air Force Base, Denver, Colorado).

STATEMENT

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According to source two on November 28, 1973, while [REDACTED] was still a member of the Regional Staff Collective, [REDACTED] commented concerning VVAW/WSO taking a stand on Marxism that, "the organization cannot afford to take any solid hard line. It has a tendency to split the following."

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1:10 PM FEBRUARY 5, 1974 URGENT LEB

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092) (ATTN.: INTD)

FROM [REDACTED] P 2P

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KANSAS CITY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAW) SPONSORED DEMONSTRATION AT U.S. FEDERAL BUILDING, LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS, FEBRUARY 5, 1974; IS - VVAW.

A SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED AT 7:00 A.M., FEBRUARY 5, 1974, THAT A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY TWELVE PERSONS, INCLUDING SEVERAL LOCAL VVAW MEMBERS WERE PLANNING TO GO TO LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS, FEBRUARY 5, 1974, TO DEMONSTRATE AT THE U.S. FEDERAL BUILDING, IN SUPPORT OF ODELL BENNETT, AN INMATE AT LEAVENWORTH FEDERAL PENITENTIARY, WHO WAS TO APPEAR FOR HEARING AT THE FEDERAL BUILDING AT APPROXIMATELY 9:30 A.M., FEBRUARY 5, 1974. BENNETT'S HEARING IS TO ADDRESS ITSELF AS TO WHETHER OR NOT BENNETT SHOULD BE MOVED FROM SOLITARY CONFINEMENT, WHERE HE HAS BEEN ON A HUNGER STRIKE, TO A HOSPITAL FACILITY. SOURCE ADVISED DEMONSTRATORS WOULD CARRY SIGNS PROTESTING BENNETT'S CONFINEMENT IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT,

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BUT DEMONSTRATORS HAD PRE-DETERMINED THAT THEY WOULD NOT CAUSE ANY TROUBLE WITH AUTHORITIES. SOURCE ADVISED THAT ALSO REPRESENTED IN THE GROUP OF DEMONSTRATORS WERE MEMBERS OF A GROUP CALLED ~~LEAVENWORTH~~ DEFENSE COMMITTEE, WHICH WAS RECENTLY FORMED IN [REDACTED]

AT 11:30 A.M., FEBRUARY 5, 1974, SOURCE ADVISED ABOVE DEMONSTRATION TOOK PLACE AS PLANNED. APPROXIMATELY 12-15 PERSONS ATTENDED, THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS WITH POLICE, AND THE GROUP DISBANDED AT APPROXIMATELY 11:00 A.M.

VVAW WAS FOUNDED IN THE SPRING, 1967, BY YOUNG VIETNAM VETERANS IN NEW YORK CITY. VVAW MEMBERS HAVE LED PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST THE WAR IN VIETNAM.

ADMINISTRATIVE: SOURCE IS [REDACTED] bab7D

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED UACB. LOCAL AUTHORITIES ADVISED.

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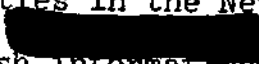
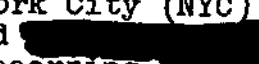
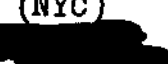

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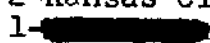
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ReNYairtel to the Bureau and LHM, 1/17/74, both entitled as above and KCnitel to the Bureau, New York and Chicago, 1/22/74, entitled "KANSAS VVAW".

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On 1/23/74,  and  who have furnished reliable information in the past and who have provided information on VVAW/WSO activities in the New York City (NYC) area were contacted concerning  and . b2 b7D was unable to furnish information concerning  and . b7c b7c b7c

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] and [redacted] are unknown to him. Source recalled that at the monthly meeting of the [redacted] Chapter, VVAW/WSO, held in [redacted] on 1/7/74, JOSEPH URGO, a former National Coordinator of the VVAW/WSO, who had attended the National Steering Committee (NSC) meeting of VVAW/WSO at Antioch College, [redacted], Ohio, 12/27-31/73, reported to the [redacted] Chapter on the NSC meeting. URGO reported that work on prisons will become a major VVAW/WSO project and that [redacted] (phonetic) and [redacted] VVAW/WSO members will travel to Leavenworth, Kansas, to help build support for the "Leavenworth 3/30" in reference to three prisoners imprisoned at the US Penitentiary, Leavenworth, who have been indicted in Leavenworth and thirty other prisoners who are facing indictments. This information is set out in reNYairtel and LHM.

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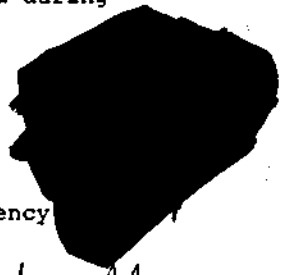
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-77703) (P)
SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIERS ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
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1/31/74: [Redacted] furnished the following information on

Source advised that on 1/26-27/74, members of the California-Nevada region of the VVAW/WSO convened at San Francisco, California, for the purpose of holding meetings of their regional conference. Source advised he attended that conference and recognized the following individuals to be the members from the Los Angeles area. They are as follows:

- 1 - 906 D [Redacted]
- 2 - Bureau
- 1 - Chicago (Info)
- 3 - San Francisco
- 16 - Los Angeles
- (1 - [Redacted])
- (1 - 100-81826)
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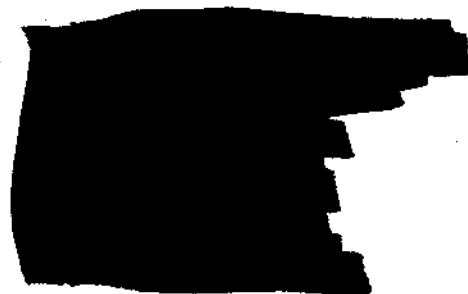
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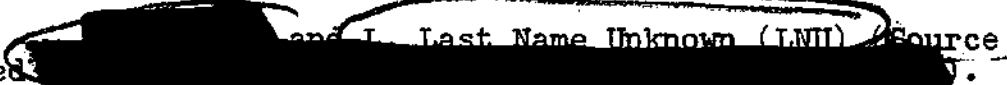


Source advised he recognized the following individuals from the San Francisco area:

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From Redwood City, California:



advised [redacted] and L. Last Name Unknown (LNU). Source advised he would immediately contact the FBI upon receipt of the minutes of the aforementioned conference.

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AT REDWOOD CITY, CALIFORNIA: Will conduct all logical investigation in an effort to identify L. LNU and determine the extent of his role in VVAW/WSO.

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will maintain contact with the aforementioned source and immediately report results of the aforementioned conference upon receipt of same.

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

FROM: BUFFALO (100-21623) (P)

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

4-20-95 SOW/3/11/14

AT NOON JANUARY 25, 1974 APPROXIMATELY 35 INDIVIDUALS, ALL WHITE MALES AND FEMALES STUDENT TYPES, PARTICIPATED IN A DEMONSTRATION ON SIDEWALK IN FRONT OF FEDERAL BUILDING, 111 W. HURON ST., BUFFALO, NY, WHICH LASTED UNTIL 1:25 PM. DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY VVAW WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF YOUNG WORKERS LIBERATION LEAGUE (YWLL), SPARTACIST LEAGUE (SPL), ATTICA BRIGADE (AB) AND YOUTH AGAINST WAR AND FASCISM (YAWF) PRESENT.

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VVAW IS A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION COMPOSED PRIMARILY OF VETERANS OF WAR IN VIETNAM, THAT HAS ORGANIZED AND PARTICIPATED IN NUMEROUS DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST THE WAR IN VIETNAM DURING 1970-1972, INCLUDING THE SEIZURE OF THE STATUE OF LIBERTY, NEW YORK CITY, AND THE OCCUPATION OF THE BETSY

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ROSS HOUSE, PHILADELPHIA, PA., IN DEC., 1971. SIX MEMBERS OF THE VVAW WERE INDICTED BY A FEDERAL GRAND JURY, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., JULY, 1972, ON CHARGE OF CONSPIRACY TO VIOLATE THE FEDERAL ANTI-RIOT LAW.

YWLL IS THE YOUTH ARM OF COMMUNIST PARTY, USA (CPUSA). IT WAS FORMED AS MARXIST-LENINIST YOUTH GROUP IN FEBRUARY, 1970.

SPL WAS FOUNDED IN 1964, BY FORMER MEMBER OF THE SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (SWP). THE OBJECTIVE OF THE SPL IS TO DESTROY THE CAPITALIST SYSTEM AND CREATE A WORKERS CLASS SYSTEM AND SOCIETY.

THE SWP HAS BEEN DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 10450.

AB IS A STUDENT BASED ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN NEW YORK CITY IN FALL OF 1971. AB CONSIDERS ITSELF TO BE AN ANTI-IMPERIALIST ORGANIZATION WHICH VIEWS "U.S. IMPERIALISM AS THE MAIN ENEMY OF THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD." THE REVOLUTIONARY
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UNION (RU) HAS SIGNIFICANTLY INFILTRATED THE AB AND PLAYS A MAJOR ROLE IN THE AB POLICIES, DECISIONS AND ACTIVITIES.

RU WAS FOUNDED IN EARLY 1968 AND IS A MILITANT, SEMICLANDESTINE ORGANIZATION. ITS OBJECTIVES, AS SET OUT IN ITS PUBLICATIONS, ARE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A UNITED FRONT AGAINST IMPERIALISM, THE FOSTERING OF REVOLUTIONARY WORKING-CLASS UNITY AND LEADERSHIP IN STRUGGLE, AND THE FORMATION OF A COMMUNIST PARTY BASED ON MARXISM-LENINISM-MAO TSE-TUNG THOUGHT, LEADING TO THE OVERTHROW OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT BY FORCE AND VIOLENCE.

YAWF IS YOUTH GROUP OF THE WORKERS WORLD PARTY (WWP).

WWP WAS FOUNDED IN 1959 BY INDIVIDUALS WHO DISAGREED WITH POLICIES OF THE SWP. THE WWP DISSIDENTS ADVOCATED UNCONDITIONAL SUPPORT OF SOVIET UNION AND BUILDING OF A REVOLUTIONARY PARTY GEARED TO OVERTHROW CAPITALISM. MORE RECENTLY, WWP HAS CALLED FOR PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS TO SINO-SOVIET DISPUTES, HOWEVER, WWP GENERALLY SUPPORTS THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN ITS IDEOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES

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WITH SOVIET UNION.

DEMONSTRATION CONSISTED OF DISTRIBUTING LEAFLETS DEMANDING THE IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TREATY WHICH ENDED AMERICA'S PARTICIPATION IN THE VIETNAM WAR, END ALL AID TO THIEU AND LON NOL, UNIVERSAL AND UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY FOR ALL WAR RESISTERS, AND TO "KICK NIXON OUT." DEMONSTRATORS ALSO MARCHED IN PICKET LINE ON THE SIDEWALK CARRYING A BANNER REPRESENTING THE VVAW, ALSO CARRYING WHAT APPEARED TO BE TWO PAPER MACHE HEADS OF PRESIDENT NIXON PAINTED WHITE ON THE END OF TWO SIX FT. POLES, AND TWO VIET CONG FLAGS.

DEMONSTRATION WAS ORDERLY AND NO UNUSAL INCIDENTS OCCURRED. DEMONSTRATORS WERE AFFORDED LOCAL TV AND NEWS MEDIA COVERAGE.

DEMONSTRATION ATTRACTED NO NOTEWORTHY ATTENTION FROM GENERAL PUBLIC.

A PREVIOUSLY RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED PARTICIPANTS VIEWED DEMONSTRATION AS NOT VERY SUCCESSFUL.

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LOCAL AUTHORITIES AWARE.

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

GSA, BUFFALO, NY; FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE, BUFFALO,
NY; NYSP AND BUFFALO PD COGNIZANT.

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DEMONSTRATION OBSERVED BY SAS [REDACTED] AND

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM CLEVELAND

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DEMONSTRATION TO SUPPORT TRUCKERS SPONSORED BY "BREAKING THE ICE"
AND VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAW), AKRON, OHIO, FEB.
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CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION TOOK PLACE THIS DATE AS SCHEDULED AND
LASTED ABOUT 30 MINUTES. ACTIVITIES WERE PEACEFUL AND ORDERLY AND
APPROXIMATELY 50 PERSONS ATTENDED. SPEAKERS INCLUDED AN UNIDENTIFIED
MALE, WHO INDICATED HE WAS A TRUCK DRIVER; AN UNIDENTIFIED WHITE FEMALE
AGE ABOUT 40 YEARS, WHO INDICATED SHE WAS MEMBER OF ATTICA
BRIGADE; AND [REDACTED], WHO HAS BEEN AFFILIATED WITH VARIOUS
REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS IN CLEVELAND, OHIO, AREA.

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SPEAKERS URGED SUPPORT FOR STRIKE BY INDEPENDENT TRUCKERS AND
MAINTAINED THAT THE WORKING MAN IN THE UNITED STATES IS BEING
OPPRESSED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

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IF OBSERVED IN THE CROWD WERE [REDACTED], VVAV MEMBER; AND [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], [REDACTED] ALL FORMERLY AFFILIATED WITH
SDS.

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RE CLEVELAND TEL TO THE BUREAU, FEBRUARY 8, 1974.

IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY ARRESTS OR VIOLENCE, NO LHM IS
BEING SUBMITTED.
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. R. Wannall *Wannall*

FROM : [REDACTED] *Wannall*

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

- 1 - Mr. E. W. Walsh
- 1 - Mr. R. E. Gebhardt
- 1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
- DATE: 1/28/74
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

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PURPOSE:

To recommend a letter be sent to Mr. Leon Jaworski, Special Prosecutor, requesting facts available to the Watergate Special Prosecution Force (WSPF) which would support strong insinuations of impropriety on the part of a Special Agent of the FBI by WSPF representatives.

BACKGROUND:

Memorandum [REDACTED] to Mr. W. R. Wannall dated 1/16/74, captioned as above (attached for reference), set forth details concerning WSPF interest in our investigation which led to the trial of VVAW/WSO leaders in Gainesville, Florida, during 8/73, arising from charges they conspired to violate the antiriot law by plotting violent demonstrations at the Republican National Convention (RNC) during [REDACTED]

This memorandum noted [REDACTED] a [REDACTED] Florida, had met with VVAW/WSO representatives in late May or early June, 1972, regarding the [REDACTED] for [REDACTED] to be used during the proposed demonstrations and was considered [REDACTED]. In [REDACTED] in response to a request of the WSPF, we advised that group of all circumstances surrounding our contacts with [REDACTED] and specifically said contact was initiated with him regarding the VVAW/WSO case on [REDACTED] but that he had been contacted prior to that time, 6/72, relative to the Watergate incident. It was specifically pointed out [REDACTED] had never been paid by the FBI and his

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activities had never been directed in any way. Essentially, the same information was repeated in a letter to the WSPF in December, 1973.

[redacted] was interviewed on [redacted] by WSPF representatives and, on the following day, voluntarily furnished information regarding this interview to the Miami Office [redacted]

[redacted] contacts with VVAW/WSO with scant reference to his knowledge [redacted]. The interviewers asserted there was proof [redacted] had been in contact with SA [redacted] of the Miami Office prior to [redacted]. He was also asked if it were not true SA [redacted]

[redacted] had directed him with [redacted]

[redacted] denied all of these allegations and terminated the interview when he felt threatened by allegations of illegal acts on his part.

We conducted an exhaustive review of our files and could locate no information which would support these allegations of impropriety on the part of SA [redacted]

Specifically, SA [redacted] states he first interviewed [redacted]

He did not directly or otherwise arrange any meeting between [redacted] and VVAW/WSO members and [redacted] to [redacted]

[redacted] specifically one he had with [redacted]. SA [redacted] also said he has never paid [redacted] and has never directed his activities as an informant.

OBSERVATIONS:

On the surface it would appear the WSPF inquiries into this matter were designed to determine if there is any Watergate related activity connected with the Gainesville case. This is

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understandable to a point inasmuch as throughout the pretrial maneuverings the defense continually, but unsuccessfully, attempted to portray the trial as a part of the Watergate cover up. The facts do not support such a contention. We are not aware of the information which prompted the tenor of the questions by WSPF representatives concerning SA [redacted] as set forth above, but information in our files, the denials of [redacted] and the [redacted] of SA [redacted] directly [redacted]. The WSPF people may have employed a hard line or bluff approach to [redacted] in the hope of breaking him and obtaining admissions, but this is merely speculation. We remain faced with unresolved allegations of impropriety against one of our Agents. In order to settle this matter, it is recommended a letter be sent to the Special Prosecutor calling attention to the contradictions and requesting him to furnish the facts available to him which prompted the tenor of the questions of his representatives.

ACTION:

With your approval, the letter to Mr. Jaworski will be forwarded.

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- 1 - Mr. E. W. Walsh
- 1 - Mr. R. E. Gebhardt
- 1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall

January 31, 1974

Mr. Leon Jaworski
Special Prosecutor

3460 BY COURIER SERVICE

Director, FBI

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

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

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On [REDACTED] Miami, Florida, appeared at our Miami Office and related details of an interview of him in Washington, D. C., on the previous day by members of the Watergate Special Prosecution Force (WSPF). According to [REDACTED] he was invited to come to Washington and did so on the advice of his attorney who suggested he cooperate. Because of the nature of the information furnished by [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] concerning the interview, the substance of his conversation was recorded in an FD-302, a copy of which is enclosed for your information.

[REDACTED] said he had expected the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] when alleged that the individuals conducting the interview stated there was proof Special Agent [REDACTED] of the FBI had been in contact with him prior to [REDACTED]. He said further that he was asked pointedly if it were not true Special Agent [REDACTED] had [REDACTED]

Special Agent [REDACTED] had also alleged him to [REDACTED] one of the defendants in the trial of VVAW/WSO leaders which took place in Gainesville, Florida, in August, 1973. [REDACTED] said he denied these allegations.

We cannot attest to the reliability of [REDACTED] or to his veracity nor do we know what prompted him to report the details of his interview by WSPF personnel. We do know,

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Special Prosecutor

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however, that the defense in the above trial attempted in pretrial hearings to link the trial with the Watergate matter, that their allegations were refuted and that the presiding judge denied their motions. Nevertheless, we feel [redacted] allegation that WSPF interviewers have evidence of possible impropriety on the part of Special Agent [redacted] in his relationship with [redacted] should be resolved. There is nothing in our files to substantiate any of the points related by [redacted]. You are therefore requested to advise us if your investigators do possess evidence of impropriety on the part of Special Agent [redacted] as contained in [redacted] account of the interview or whether [redacted] may have fabricated the information he related to our Miami Office as shown in the attached FD-302.

Since the integrity of one of our Agents is involved, we would appreciate an early answer since you may be assured that if such evidence exists, severe disciplinary action is necessary. Likewise, we desire to remove any cloud over this Agent's reputation.

Enclosure

NOTE:

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See memorandum [redacted] to Mr. W.R. Wannall dated 1/28/74, captioned as above, prepared by FBG:mjg.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

- 1 - Mr. E. W. Walsh
- 1 - Mr. R. E. Gebhardt
- 1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
- 1 - Mr. F. S. Putman

DATE: 1/16/74

TO : Mr. W. R. Wannall

FROM :

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
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PURPOSE:

To recommend an affidavit be obtained from SA [redacted] Miami Office, regarding implications of impropriety on his part raised by Watergate Special Prosecution Force (WSPF) representatives during interview of [redacted]

BACKGROUND:

This pertains to the investigation which led to the trial of VVAW/WSO leaders in Gainesville, Florida, during August, 1973, arising from charges they conspired to violate the Antiriot Law by plotting violent demonstrations at the Republican National Conventic (RNC) in August, 1972. The moving figure in this conspiracy was Scott Camil, VVAW/WSO leader from Gainesville.

The WSPF, as part of its Watergate inquiry, initiated an investigation into "the alleged hiring of [redacted] to infiltrate the VVAW." By letter dated [redacted] the WSPF was advised of all circumstances surrounding our contacts with [redacted] who, at that time was a prospective Government witness for the Gainesville trial. The WSPF was specifically told contact was initiated with [redacted] regarding the VVAW/WSO case on [redacted] but that he had been contacted on [redacted] regarding the Watergate incident. It was also specifically noted [redacted] had never been paid by the FBI and his activities have never been directed in any way by this Bureau.

In spite of the above, on [redacted] the WSPF forwarded a request to us in which they mentioned their intended interview of [redacted] in connection with an alleged assault on antiwar demonstrators on the west steps of the Capitol on 5/3/72 and about VVAW/WSO activities in the Spring and Summer of 1972, particularly pertaining to the national political conventions. The request noted the WSPF

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understood [redacted] was a [redacted] Gainesville trial [redacted]. The WSPF then requested information in our files as to his role as an [redacted]. We replied [redacted] had never been operated as an informant and that an affidavit to this effect had been filed on 6/15/73 with the U. S. District Court, Northern District of Florida, in connection with the Gainesville trial.

CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS:

On [redacted] appeared on his own volition at the Miami Office and advised he had been interviewed the preceding day by representatives of the WSPF in Washington, D. C. [redacted]

For approximately [redacted] he was questioned regarding his contacts with the VVAW/WSO. He said the interviewers asserted there was proof [redacted] had been in contact with SA [redacted] prior to [redacted] which allegation [redacted] denied. He was also asked if it were not true that SA [redacted] and further that SA [redacted] had directed [redacted]. Again [redacted] denied the allegations. At this point [redacted] became concerned over the nature of the question and consulted his attorney who advised him to terminate the interview.

OBSERVATIONS:

We have conducted an exhaustive review of our files and can locate no information which would support allegations of impropriety on the part of SA [redacted] as noted above. The plot to disrupt the RNC was discussed in detail at a VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee meeting in Gainesville over Memorial Day weekend, 1972. [redacted] and others approached [redacted] in late May or early June, 1972. We learned of this approach [redacted] and [redacted] was first contacted by SA [redacted]. He cooperated fully. Prior to that time, on [redacted] had been interviewed by another Miami Agent relative to his affiliation with the Watergate subjects. [redacted] he received [redacted] but did so on his own and not at SA [redacted] direction.

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Throughout the pretrial arguments of the Gainesville case, the defense unsuccessfully attempted to portray our investigation of that case as a part of the cover up to the Watergate affair. We have nothing to hide inasmuch as the investigation which led to the Gainesville trial was in no way connected with Watergate or subsequent cover up attempts. If [redacted] has presented an accurate resume of his interview, and there is no reason to believe it is not true, it would appear the interviewers exhibited a highly unethical approach and, in the process, have raised serious allegations regarding the integrity of SA [redacted]. We consider it necessary to obtain an affidavit from SA [redacted] setting forth full particulars regarding his contacts with [redacted]. This affidavit will be carefully compared with information in the [redacted] FD-302 and FBIHQ files. If this situation remains unchanged it would then be necessary to attempt to resolve it by obtaining approval in a subsequent memorandum to request the WSPF to furnish the facts upon which its representatives based their questions. There is attached a nitel to Miami instructing an affidavit be obtained from SA [redacted].

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ACTION:

With your approval, the attached nitel will be forwarded.

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Date of transcription 12/18/73

[redacted] appeared of his own volition at the Miami FBI Office. He advised he had been interviewed at Washington, D. C., on [redacted] by [redacted] investigators for the Watergate Special Prosecutor's Office. [redacted] recalled only one name, [redacted] (phonetic). This interview was result of telephonic invitation about three weeks previously. There was no subpoena. He consulted his attorney, [redacted] Miami, who advised him to cooperate.

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The interview was not under oath nor was he told that fact of interview or results of interview were to be kept confidential.

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[redacted] investigators asserted there was proof that [redacted] had been in contact with FBI SA [redacted] prior to [redacted] [redacted] denied this allegation. He was also asked if it were not true that SA [redacted]

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SA [redacted] denied these allegations. He was also asked if he had any information concerning the burglary of the office of an attorney for [redacted] and burglary of the residence of a Florida VVAW officer. [redacted] denied any such knowledge. He was also asked if he knew who Miami Police Department [redacted] was working for prior to Miami Beach political conventions. He replied that [redacted] to his knowledge, was working exclusively for the Miami Police Department.

He was told that his [redacted]

[redacted] as was his [redacted] meeting with VVAW members.

[redacted] replied that he felt [redacted]

He was warned that he could be prosecuted for an alleged assault and battery during the breakup of a demonstration in May, 1972, on the steps of the Capitol Rotunda, Washington, D. C., where the body of FBI Director J. EDGAR HOOVER lay in state.

Interviewed on 12/17/73 at Miami, Florida File # Miami 100-16342

by SA [redacted] :ggr b7c Date dictated 12/18/73

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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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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 2-6-74

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

SUBJECT: WISCONSIN AMNESTY PROJECT SPONSORED BY
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
MADISON, WISCONSIN
OCTOBER 26-28, 1973
IS - VVAW/WSO

OO: MILWAUKEE

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Re Milwaukee letter to the Bureau, dated December 20, 1973.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five (5) copies and for Honolulu, New Haven and New York, two (2) copies each of a letterhead memorandum (LHM), dated and captioned as above.

Information copies being furnished New York, in view of their interest in the national activities of the VVAW.

Milwaukee forwarding a copy of instant LHM to U.S. Secret Service, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

An FD-376 is stapled to instant LHM.

This LHM does not warrant classification.

Sources utilized in LHM are as follows:

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 5) (RM)
- 2 - Honolulu (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 2 - New Haven (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 2 - New York (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 2 - Milwaukee (1 - 100-21561)
- (1 - 100-21165 - [REDACTED])

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[REDACTED]	is	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	is	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	is	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	is	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

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Information concerning the possible threat against President NIXON by [REDACTED], as contained in LHM, was furnished to the United States Secret Service, Milwaukee, on October 31, 1973. Milwaukee handled this matter under a 175 classification and submitted a letter and LHM to the Bureau under the caption, [REDACTED] also known as [REDACTED]. Threat Against the President."

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Milwaukee conducted a preliminary investigation concerning [REDACTED] in the attached LHM. It was determined that he was not connected with the VVAW/WSO or any other subversive organization. Milwaukee, therefore, closed this matter.

Milwaukee conducting no further investigation in this matter.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

February 6, 1974

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

RE: WISCONSIN AMNESTY PROJECT SPONSORED
BY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
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MADISON, WISCONSIN
OCTOBER 26-28, 1973
IS - VVAW/WSO

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)) (1)
U. S. Secret Service Milwaukee (RM)

Enclosure(s) (1)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

February 6, 1974

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR

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 1970-1972, 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 charge of conspiracy to violate the Federal Anti-Riot Law.

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On September 24, 1973, [redacted] advised that it was announced at the "Midwest Amnesty Conference, sponsored by the VVAW/WSO," at Cincinnati, Ohio, September 21-23, 1973, that there would be a Amnesty Conference at Edgewood College, Madison, Wisconsin, October 26-28, 1973. Handling the arrangements for this conference would be the VVAW. The conference was to be entitled, "Wisconsin Amnesty Project."

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On October 19, 1973, [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
to the Academic Dean, Edgewood College, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Avenue, Madison, Wisconsin, advised that
the VVAW/WSO was sponsoring an Amnesty Conference
to be held in the Edgewood College gymnasium,
October 26-28, 1973. No further information was
available.

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The October 25, 1973, issue of the "Daily Cardinal,"
a University of Wisconsin (UW), Madison, Wisconsin,
student newspaper, contained an article entitled,
"Amnesty Conference to Emphasize Action." The
article identified [REDACTED] a UW graduate
and [REDACTED]
as the [REDACTED] which
was to be held at Edgewood College, Madison, Wisconsin,
October 26-28, 1973.

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On October 30, 1973, [REDACTED] advised that participants
at the Amnesty Conference were to be housed at either
private residences in the Madison area or were to be
allowed to sleep on gym mats on the upper level of the
gymnasium at Edgewood College.

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

[REDACTED] on October 30, 1973; [REDACTED] on October 29, 1973;
and, [REDACTED] on October 29, 1973, collectively furnished
the following information:

FRIDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 26, 1973

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The Friday evening session of the conference which
was attended by approximately 70 individuals began
at approximately 5:00 P.M. with registration and a
dinner. Speeches lasted from 7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.
A welcoming speech was given first by Madison Mayor
Paul Soglin. He was followed by [REDACTED] a Harvard
professor and [REDACTED] a University of Hawaii
associate professor. M322

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b7c [redacted] traced the history of Amnesty in the United States since the Civil War. He predicted total Amnesty for all those who opposed the Vietnam War in 1976.

[redacted] believes, non-violence is the only way for war resisters to have a strong voice in the government. He had previously been involved in protest actions against the war in Vietnam. He stated, he had been arrested for throwing blood on "vital military records," but the case was thrown out of court.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1973

The Saturday session of the Amnesty Conference consisted of various workshops which began in the late morning and were repeated in the afternoon and early evening hours. The workshops ended at approximately 10:30 P.M. with a religious reading and a song fest. Approximately 40 individuals attended the various workshops.

Workshops dealt with the following topics:

- Understanding Amnesty.
- Community Organizing.
- Legislative Action.
- Organizing Within Religious Institutions.
- Resistance Organizing.
- Amnesty for Veterans.

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b7D [redacted] advised on October 29, 1973, that present at the Resistance Organizing Workshop, which was coordinated by [redacted], was a UW student named [redacted] aka [redacted] (true name - [redacted]). She was overheard to state that Nixon was a bigger criminal than Hitler and she would definitely kill Nixon if the opportunity ever arose.

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On October 31, 1973, [REDACTED] advised that he had heard [REDACTED] make derogatory remarks about President Nixon during the Resistance Organizing Workshop on October 27, 1973. The source, however, did not hear her make any threats against the President.

On October 30, 1973, [REDACTED] advised that the proposed activities for the October 28, 1973, session of the Amnesty Conference were cancelled because of lack of interest.

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Date 2/11/74

RE:

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

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM CLEVELAND (100-NEW) 3P

DEMONSTRATION TO SUPPORT INDEPENDENT TRUCKERS, SPONSORED BY
"BREAKING THE ICE" AND VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAW)
AKRON, OHIO, FEBRUARY 9, 1974. IS.

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ON FEBRUARY 8, 1974, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS
FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED AN
UNKNOWN PERSON WAS PASSING OUT LEAFLETS AT KENT STATE
UNIVERSITY (KSU), ON FEBRUARY 7, 1974, INDICATING THAT
"BREAKING THE ICE", POST OFFICE BOX 31, AKRON, OHIO, AND
VVAW, POST OFFICE BOX 3633, AKRON, OHIO, WILL SPONSOR A
DEMONSTRATION FROM 1 TO 3 P.M. , FEBRUARY 9, 1974. DEMONSTRATION
WILL BE AT CASCADE PLACE, AKRON, OHIO. PURPOSE OF
DEMONSTRATION IS TO SUPPORT INDEPENDENT TRUCKERS STRIKE.
UNKNOWN SPEAKERS ARE EXPECTED FROM COUNCIL OF INDEPENDENT
TRUCKING (CIT).

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b7c ON FEBRUARY 8, 1974, DETECTIVE [REDACTED] INTELLIGENCE UNIT, AKRON, OHIO, POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED THAT ON FEBRUARY 8, 1974, PERMIT FOR ABOVE DEMONSTRATION ISSUED TO STEVE MARTINOT AND MIKE CARMEDY, KNOWN NEW LEFT ACTIVISTS IN THE AKRON, OHIO AREA. PERMIT WAS ISSUED IN GROUP NAME OF VVAW, AKRON, OHIO, AND WAS FOR 1 TO 3 P.M., FEBRUARY 9, 1974, AT CASCADE PLACE, AKRON, OHIO. PERMIT CALLS FOR FLATBED AND LOUD SPEAKERS AND UNKNOWN SPEAKERS ARE EXPECTED FROM CIT. THIS DEMONSTRATION IS EXPECTED TO BE PEACEFUL.

ADMINISTRATIVE

THIS INFORMATION IS BEING SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU IN VIEW OF THE NATIONAL PUBLICITY CURRENTLY BEING AFFORDED TO THIS MATTER AND IN VIEW OF THE FACT CLEVELAND OFFICE CURRENTLY INVESTIGATING IN EXCESS OF 50 CIVIL RIGHTS CASES ARISING FROM TRUCKING DISPUTES.

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THIS CASE IS BEING FOLLOWED BY THE CLEVELAND DIVISION
AND ANY FURTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED THEREON WILL BE
SUBMITTED TO THE BUREAU. U. S. SECRET SERVICE ADVISED.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE MENTIONED ABOVE IS [REDACTED]

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CJ FBIHQ

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cc - Gen. Forest. Div -

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AIRMAIL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

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

SUBJECT: VETERAN VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR
NATIONAL VETERANS ORGANIZATION (NVAO)
NATIONAL MEETING OF NEW YORK
NORTHERN AVENUE HOTEL, CHICAGO, ILL.
12/27/73
IS - WVA/WSC
OO - CHICAGO

Re Albany teletype to Bureau 12/27/73.

Enclosed for the Bureau are
two copies of a letterhead memorandum
dated 12/27/73 and captioned as above.
One copy of the letterhead memorandum
is being furnished to the Chicago Office
for information.

Very truly yours,
Special Agent in Charge

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Will index pertinent names of individuals mentioned in LHM and review indices on individuals mentioned within their division.

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Sources referred to in enclosed LHM are as follows:

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Confidential Source #1 is [REDACTED]
State University of New York, Oneonta, New York;

Confidential Source #2 is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] State University of New York, Oneonta, New York.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Albany, New York

December 27, 1973

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
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REGIONAL MEETING OF NEW YORK/
NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, ONEONTA, NEW YORK
(VVAW/WSO)

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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 1970-1972, 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 charges of conspiracy to violate the Federal Antiriot Law.

LOCATION

On December 6, 1973, a confidential source, in a position to know, advised that the VVAW/WSO had reserved the Student Union Meeting Room, C and D, at State University of New York, Oneonta, New York from 9:00A.M., December 8, 1973 to 12:00 Noon, December 9, 1973.

On December 10, 1973, a second confidential source, in a position to know, advised VVAW/WSO did conduct meetings as planned at State University Student Union, Oneonta, New York. Source advised approximately

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twelve to fifteen individuals were actually in attendance
and that arrangements for the meeting and bills resulting
from such were designated to [redacted] Box [redacted]
Oneonta, New York (u)

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DELEGATES

On December 17, 1973, Third Confidential Source
furnished the following information: (u)

A regional conference was held at the Oneonta
State College, State University of New York, December 8-9,
1973, and that the following individuals were observed
in attendance at this conference. (u)

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[redacted] Vietnam Veterans Against the War/
Winter Soldier Organization Regional Coordinator, who is
from Buffalo. (u)

[redacted] from Buffalo. (u) n.y.

[redacted] from Buffalo. (u)

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[redacted] from Buffalo, a member of the
Steering Committee of the Buffalo Chapter. (u)

[redacted] from Rochester. (u)

[redacted] from Rochester. (u)

[redacted] from Ithaca who was formerly from
Pennsylvania. (u)

[redacted] from Ithaca who was formerly from
Buffalo. (u) n.y.

[redacted] from New York City. (u)

[redacted] (Last Name Unknown) from New York City. (u)

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MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

^{NY} [redacted] from the Westchester-Putnam Chapter.

^{NY} [redacted] from the Westchester-Putnam Chapter.

^{NY} [redacted] Orange County Chapter.

^{NY} [redacted] from Orange County.

^{NY} [redacted] from Oneonta.

Mrs. ^{NY} [redacted] from Oneonta.

[redacted] (last Name Unknown) from Oneonta.

[redacted] Coordinator, who is
formerly from Florida. ^{NY} [redacted]

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[redacted] said that [redacted] had supposedly

[redacted] is
described as a [redacted] man, in his
or [redacted] who is approximately [redacted]

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION AT CONFERENCE

Opening statements by STEVEN HASSETT, who was
Chairman of conference which involved announcements and
suggestions. The conference began 10:30 a.m., Saturday,
December 8, 1973.

At the beginning of the conference, MAGGIE
FOWLER announced that she needed information regarding
the Lang Bin (Phonetic) Jail in Vietnam during the period
1968-1969. She indicated that she wants affidavits

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attesting to the bad conditions at the jail.

STEVE HASSETT mentioned that the region is in the process of compiling a mailing list of approximately 2600 names.

REPORTS FROM VVAW CHAPTERS

The following chapters presented reports which were typewritten; namely, New York City, Buffalo, Westchester-Putnam, Rochester, Ithaca, Orange County, Oneonta, and Mid-Hutchinson Chapter. The typewritten reports consisted primarily of problems concerning organization. Three chapters were not represented at the regional conference, that is the Albany, Potsdam, and Suffolk County Chapters. The Albany Chapter is basically inactive.

OLD BUSINESS CONCERNING VVAW

There was a vote on the proposal to reopen the Winter Soldier investigation. Buffalo, New York City, and Rochester Chapters had voted in their chapter meetings to support the proposal and the region voted for the proposal to be submitted to the National Steering Committee at the next meeting.

Regarding Objective Number Eight of the National Objectives of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization, which regards sexism, the proposed change of Objective Number Eight written by a chapter in Ohio and contained in National Newsletter Number 15, was voted down. No delegates from the New York Region to the National Steering Committee meeting will support the Ohio rewrite.

b7c [REDACTED] brought up the subject of correspondence with prisoners. It was learned that the National Vietnam Veterans Against the War has a list of the names of prisoners who want to be members of Vietnam Veterans Against the War.

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It was suggested that the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization newspaper, "Winter Soldier" be sold at welfare offices because many families of prisoners are on welfare. This gives Vietnam Veterans Against the War a way of being in touch with prisoners.

STEVE HASSETT urged support for the Walpole prison fast and indicated that the Vietnam Veterans Against the War is collecting food to be sent to the prisoners.

AMNESTY FOR WAR RESISTORS

The conference voted yes for the amnesty position as contained in National Newsletter Number 15. This concerned a petition that might be sent to Congress regarding amnesty. The approval was conditional on a verification of the statistics quoted in Newsletter Number 15.

The Vietnam Veterans Against the War is represented in an amnesty group which was referred to as NAKUA (Phonetic). ED DAMATO of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War was on the Steering Committee of this group. *members of* *n. y.*

IMPEACH NIXON CAMPAIGN

The suggestion of a National effort by Vietnam Veterans Against the War to press for NIXON'S impeachment was voted down.

SITUATION IN KOREA

The New York City Chapter wants information on the United States involvement in Korea. At this point STEVE HASSETT said that when he was in the service, he

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"was in charge of military intelligence in Korea."
[redacted] stated that his wife had written an article for
a degree she was seeking in Toronto. This article con-
cerned the creation of orphanages in Korea and the United
States' efforts in this field.

ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNICATION ON VVAW CHAPTERS IN THE
NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY REGION

THE ONEONTA CHAPTER

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This chapter was involved recently in a coalition
with several campus groups and a Puerto Rican group. The
Oneonta Chapter is not presently very active as the most
[redacted] of the Chapter, [redacted] is involved in
a study group outside Vietnam Veterans Against the War.
The Vietnam Veterans Against the War Chapter at Oneonta
was active through the summer and many of their activities
had to do with the Gainesville trial. [redacted] will
probably go to the next National Steering Committee meeting
and he hopes this will give more direction to the Oneonta
Chapter.

THE MID-HUTCHINSON CHAPTER

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[redacted] said that he has been unable to contact
anyone in his area. He said that he has heard of an under-
ground Vietnam Veterans Against the War group that meets
in the area. This group is underground in the sense that
it organized in isolation and has no contact with national
or regional Vietnam Veterans Against the War. [redacted]
address is RFD [redacted] Box [redacted] High Falls, New York. His
telephone number is 914-687-[redacted]

THE ROCHESTER CHAPTER

This chapter reported on December 15, 1973,
there will be an "Impeach NIXON" Rally. It was also

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learned that January 18-19, 1974, the Vietnam Veterans Against the War are tentatively sponsoring a lecture and discussion at Empire State College by ROBERT [REDACTED] who wrote a book called "Home From the War." More information will be available regarding this at a later date.

REVOLUTIONARY UNION

There was also a discussion regarding the Revolutionary Union which was also mentioned at several other times during the conference. It was learned that the Vietnam Veterans Against the War works with the Revolutionary Union but only when the Revolutionary Union is doing things the Vietnam Veterans Against the War way. New York and Oneonta specifically mentioned the Revolutionary Union and New York City Chapter primarily has the most contact with Revolutionary Union.

DELEGATES TO THE NEXT NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

b7c The New York/Northern New Jersey region can send [REDACTED] people. [REDACTED] will go as Regional Coordinator, and it appears at this point that the remaining delegates will be evenly distributed among the many chapters. The possible candidates at this point are [REDACTED]

NEW BUSINESS

b7c New York City introduced the idea of Vietnam Veterans Against the War summer camp. The idea is for the region to get together away from the cities over the Labor Day weekend. This proposal will be discussed at the chapter level first.

The next regional meeting will be February 16-17 in Orange County. [REDACTED] will make the arrangements and bear the responsibility for the meeting.

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MISCELLANEOUS

There was discussion of the recent Military Alert which occurred throughout the country. There was a general feeling by the attendees that at some point in the future a military takeover in the United States would take place. It was noted that the question of a military takeover and ways to prepare for it should be proposed as a workshop at the National Steering Committee Meeting.

It was mentioned that Buffalo was considered one of the five strongest chapters in Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization.

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[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED], a member of the Kent State Vietnam Veterans Against the War, had recently visited Buffalo.

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Since its last report, the NYC Chapter has continued its internal reorganization. We have developed a whole system of office procedures including files, log books, notebooks for newsletters and minutes from National and Regional. There are still some staffing problems as everyone works.

We have established a steering committee, 4 rotating members and Joe Hirsch. We have instituted a minimum pledge that all those who vote in meetings must pay. \$5 for employed, \$2 for students, \$1 for unemployed. We also reinstated \$5 yearly dues for those who want to belong but don't want to vote. Other fundraising activities have been: Beer Blast (very successful), selling FZZ & WEAM, and papers.

We have been having weekly meetings around the ten objectives, one a week, with one session on the class struggle for which we read the Manifesto. We suspended publication of Lock'N Load until we have greater political agreement.

Another thing we've been involved with is the New York City Vets Coalition. It grew out of our involvement with St. Albans hospital demonstrations. One of the central forces has been Karl McCarden, ^{VP} the commissioner of MOVA (Mayors Office of Veterans Affairs), and members of his staff. There has been quite a lot of discussion about our involvement in this coalition, as many of the groups have unclear politics and little constituency. We are also very unclear as to the motivation of MOVA and McCarden, so we're treating the whole thing very carefully.

We had our first real LUP counseling session this Tues. night. We did a lot of publicity, but only had one person come down (through a referral). We now see how hard its going to be to get it off the ground. We are continuing our internal training, and are trying to get law students on work-study to work with us.

We have supported and cosponsored several things, a slide show on the GI movement, a Cambodia demo., a demo around the one Korea policy at the UN. We will be sponsoring a demo. on Dec. 15th as part of the Indochina Solidarity Coalition which was forced to do this demo to reinforce the fact that the war isn't over. *DU involved*

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ROUND ROBIN REPORT - BUFFALO CHAPTER

The Buffalo Chapter has been involved in various community out-reach programs. We've had a fund-raising benefit and have been accepted as contestants on WDEM-TV's "Sports Challenge". Another effort as raising money has been the establishment of a paper sales committee to schedule and do follow-up on sales.

We have a political education study group which meets weekly and are organizing an Eating Club with great out-reach potential. The chapter will have a community paper with a heavy labor emphasis and the first issue is scheduled for the end of December. Our film programs have a working class, a third world and a native American emphasis. We show the films at the storefront every Friday night and a discussion follows.

We have on-going programs in discharge up-grading and support for local strikers - Kans Supply people in particular. We are also supporting the Prison Christmas strike and are collecting foods to be sent to the prisoners around the state. Since the last regional meeting, the chapter has participated in two amnesty conferences.

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WESTCHESTER/PATNAM VVAW/WSO

c/o People's Center
169 Main St.
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Since the last regional meeting, the Westchester/Patnam Chapter of VVAW/WSO has been reactivated. The latter part of our energies has been devoted to organizational matters. With the help of the NJC Chapter and the People's Center we've gotten together a core membership, office & meeting place, and put the "beginnings" in motion. There are plans for publicized meetings, speaking events, and a benefit showing of Winter Soldier. We're starting a rap group, an amnesty campaign, and have given support to the United Farm Workers.

out on the line

Of special importance, we believe, is our opposition to the Junior ROTC program. Implementation of this program is being seriously considered in at least one area high school. We are developing a strategy around gathering resources, publicizing the issue, and advancing the opposition. Below is a list of literature available from WSO in Philadelphia. Arrangements can be made to order single or bulk copies at half or no cost.

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Why High School ROTC; Who Decides?30	.60
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Contacting High School ROTC.15	.90

We also understand information and literature is available from: Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, National Office, 1213 Race St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19107.

- have worked with Quaker

In Struggle

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ACTIVITIES:

1. All out involvement in the 'people's' drive to "Kick Nixon Out", which means participation in:
 - a. Impeachment Teach-In, State University at Brockport; speaker from the chapter, selling Winter Soldiers, etc.
 - b. Students Against Nixon RALLY at Monroe Community College; speaker from the chapter. NOTE: The Police Science Dept. at M.C.C. had some of its students disrupt the speakers, until a volley of verbal truth shut the pigs up, and drew applause from the people.
 - c. Most of the activity of this week and next week will center on the DECEMBER 15TH RALLY TO "THROW NIXON OUT" (see attached leaflet). This is being done in unity with the Attica Brigade, Revolutionary Union, and the Workers Committee to Throw the Bum Out. There has been considerable leafleting and a POLITICAL CINEMA is being held on Monday, December 10 to build for the December 15th Rally. See attached description of the film cinema. The people have the "power" if they unite.

2. Media;

- a. Continued work for a good FM station in the area (WCMF), which means taping interviews, and has a public announcement source.
- b. There will be an in-depth article of Rochester VVAW/WSO with a paper (The Rochester Patriot) that has a circulation of several thousand. This is scheduled to occur in January, 1974.
- c. Plans for a 30 minute Chapter presentation on Channel 21, which is the educational channel in Rochester. This is scheduled for May 14. The format has not been developed and suggestions are solicited. Hand'um over if you got um!

3. Counter-Military, Political Consciousness-Raising

- a. Speaking and disucssion at Brighton High Scool with a film showing; Amry Awol # 28 (for lack of a better name). NOTE: This film fell temporarily into the forces of the "counter-revolution". This occured at the Canadian border. The film has seized as "Smuggled or clandestinely introduced into Canda". The Royal Canadian Mounted Police looked at the film and could not determine if it was subversive or not. A fine of \$25 resulted, but the pigs really fucked up because they completely missed a fine of \$96, although a receipt was given. Moral; Don't go into Canada with the truth.
- b. Speaking and film showing ... discussion at the "School Without Walls" in Rochester. A lot of minds were blown, MENTAL BONDAGE, DISTORTED, SUPPORT, ETC.

4. BY SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE CHAPTER

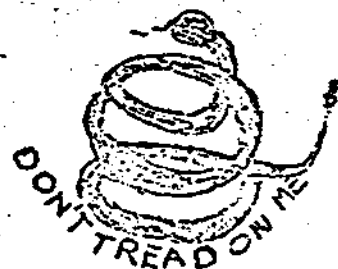
THROW NIXON OUT!

(IMPEACHMENT OR RESIGNATION
WE WANT NIXON OUT NOW!)

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- ① COVERING UP, LYING, USING "POLICE STATE" TACTICS WITH AMONG OTHERS, THE "PLUMBERS".....
- ② KEEPING WAGES DOWN, HEAVY TAXATION, AND INFLATION FOR WORKING PEOPLE.....
- ③ SUPER PROFITS AND LITTLE TAX, IF ANY, FOR THE "ELITE" FEW WHO REALLY CONTROL THE GOVERNMENT.....
- ④ CONTINUED BOMBING AND WAR IN INDOCHINA (RIGHT NOW!) WITH PILOTS, ADVISORS, "GRUNTS", AND THE C..I..A. OUT TAXES SUPPORT THE THIEU DICTATORSHIP.....
- ⑤ CUTBACKS AND IMPOUNDING OUR TAX MONEY FOR "PEOPLE" PROGRAMS; HEALTH, EDUCATION, SOCIAL SERVICES, AND VETERANS.....

SPEAKERS & SPONSERS:

DECEMBER 15th COALITION TO "THROW NIXON OUT!"
ROCHESTER CHAPTER, VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR / WINTER SOLDIER
ORGANIZATION (distributed); 647-1852, 40 HAYONA PARK, ROCHESTER 14615

For the occasion of Veterans Day we wrote a letter to the editor of the Ithaca Journal which called for more public involvement in ridding the country of the corruption in the executive branch of the government. It also suggested that if nothing is done, the conditions under which every veteran was forced to exist while part of the military might become part of every civilian's life as well. A slightly more salacious version of the letter was read as an editorial over one of the local radio stations the same day. More recently we sent a telegram to the judge of the Lawton trial which stated that another retrial would do nothing to further the cause of justice. We have also been passing out free copies of Winter Soldier on the Cornell campus and in downtown Ithaca.

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Memorandum

TO : Clarence M. Kelley
 Director
 Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: February

FROM : Leon Jaworski
 Special Prosecutor
 Watergate Special Prosecution Force

SUBJECT: Vietnam Veterans Against the War/ Winter Soldier
 Organization (VVAW/WSO)

With reference to your memorandum of January 31, 1974, regarding [redacted] there is attached a memorandum from Assistant Special Prosecutors Horowitz, Akerman and Martin to Associate Special Prosecutor William H. Merrill of the Plumbers Task Force. That memorandum sets forth fully the circumstances of this Office's interview of [redacted]

In brief, this Office has no information indicating that Special Agent [redacted] ever urged [redacted] to attempt to entrap any VVAW member or that S.A. [redacted] in any other fashion, acted improperly. Additionally, this Office never indicated to [redacted] that we had such information.

Attachment

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Memorandum

TO : [REDACTED]

DATE: February 1, 1974

FROM : [REDACTED] *KH*

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] *AM* *Flu*

On Sunday, December 17, 1973, [REDACTED] was interviewed by [REDACTED]. The interview dealt primarily with [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] had previously been interviewed by the FBI concerning this [REDACTED].

Accordingly, [REDACTED] was advised of his rights prior to the interview and voluntarily furnished a statement, which statement was consistent with previous FBI interviews. This portion of the interview lasted for an hour and a half to two hours.

After being questioned about the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was questioned concerning his involvement with the VVAW. The Special Prosecutor's Office has previously asked the FBI for information related to the VVAW and the Gainesville Eight trial. In particular, information was requested concerning burglary allegations by [REDACTED], VVAW attorney, and [REDACTED] VVAW member. Also, the FBI has reported to the Special Prosecutor's Office an incident where State's Attorney [REDACTED] questioned [REDACTED].

The [REDACTED] incident has been of concern to this Office due to the fact that this or similar incidents have the potential for creating prejudicial pre-trial publicity. Accordingly, [REDACTED] was questioned by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] for approximately fifteen to twenty minutes.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and an attempt was made to [REDACTED].

Apparently this attempt failed.

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[redacted] and whether or not he was given any instructions to attempt to entrap any member of the VVAW,

[redacted], that the [redacted] and that the [redacted]

[redacted] if anyone in the FBI had been involved in these [redacted] and stated that no one from the FBI had been involved. [redacted] was then questioned about the [redacted]

[redacted] was also questioned concerning the [redacted] incident. All of [redacted] answers in this area were consistent with previous statements he had made to the FBI.

At no time was it suggested to [redacted] that this Office had any information that would indicate that Special Agent [redacted] had directed [redacted] to [redacted]. In fact, this Office has no such information indicating any impropriety on the part of S.A. [redacted]. Also, at no time was it suggested that the [redacted]

Viewing the sequence of events surrounding the interview it is possible in retrospect to understand [redacted] feeling that the [redacted] VVAW was [redacted]

[redacted] was brought to Washington in order to [redacted] on [redacted], and a [redacted] was scheduled for Sunday, December 17, 1973. [redacted] was questioned at length about the [redacted] and then briefly about the VVAW [redacted]

As noted above, the question about the VVAW was solely due to our prior interest in certain matters involving the VVAW as well as the possibility that any involvement with the VVAW might be used at a trial to [redacted]. After questioning [redacted] felt that his statements with regard to [redacted]

Accordingly, [redacted] telephoned [redacted]

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attorney in Florida to be sure he was aware of this and could advise his client accordingly. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] here that afternoon to return to Florida:

[REDACTED] This misapprehension, if not wholly reasonable, is in retrospect, at least understandable

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- 1 - Mr. E. W. Walsh
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- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

To: SAC, Miami (100-16340) (Enclosures - 2)

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From: Director, FBI (100-448092) - 3465

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Reurairtel 1/23/74 which enclosed copies of an affidavit executed by SA [REDACTED] on that date concerning his relationship with [REDACTED]

For your information, this matter was brought to the attention of Mr. Leon Jaworski, Special Prosecutor. He was advised the interview of [REDACTED] by members of the Watergate Special Prosecution Force (WSPF) on 12/16/73, as reported to us by [REDACTED] contained allegations of impropriety on the part of SA [REDACTED] which were not supported by information in our files.

Enclosed herewith are two memoranda received from Mr. Jaworski concerning this matter. It should be noted Mr. Jaworski stated his Office has no information indicating SA [REDACTED] acted improperly in any fashion. A copy of this material should be placed in SA [REDACTED] field personnel file.

1 - Personnel File (SA [REDACTED])

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NOTE:

[REDACTED] is a [REDACTED] residing in Florida, who is an [REDACTED] figures and who was contacted by [REDACTED] in the VVAW/WSO trial which took place in Gainesville, Florida, August, 1973. He was considered a potential witness in that trial but was not used. On 12/16/73 [REDACTED] was interviewed by three representatives of the WSPF and, according to his version of the interview, allegations of impropriety on the part of SA [REDACTED] were raised by the investigators who interviewed him. Even though we could not vouch for [REDACTED] reliability or veracity, we nevertheless brought this matter to the attention of Mr. Jaworski who obtained an explanation from the investigators who questioned [REDACTED] with the results noted above.

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ON [REDACTED] 1974, [REDACTED] WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE
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CONFERENCE OF VVAW/WSO WILL BE HOSTED BY ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER,
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IN [REDACTED] UNKNOWN TO SOURCE AT THIS TIME. SOURCE HAS BEEN

[REDACTED] CHAPTER. SOURCE EXPECTS TO LEARN LOCATION AND AGENDA
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ADVANCE \$500 FOR EXPENSES REPRESENTING [REDACTED] FOR LODGING, [REDACTED] FOR

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MADE OF EXPENSES. IT IS FURTHER REQUESTED THAT [REDACTED]

BE AUTHORIZED TO PAY SOURCE UP TO \$100 FOR SERVICES FOR THIS

ACTIVITY, EXACT AMOUNT TO BE DETERMINED BY VALUE OF INFORMATION

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[REDACTED] WILL ADVISE OF IDENTITIES OF PERSONS SCHEDULED TO ATTEND CONFERENCE INCLUDING INFORMANT COVERAGE IF ANY.

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TO: SAC [REDACTED]

FEBRUARY 12, 1974

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) - 3466

VICTIM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAV/WSO); IS.

REURTEL FEBRUARY 9, 1974.

AUTHORITY GRANTED FOR [REDACTED]

NEW YORK, FOR PURPOSE OF COVERING SCHEDULED VVAV/WSO NEW YORK STATE REGIONAL CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 16-17, 1974. SOURCE MAY BE ADVANCED \$50 TO REFRAY EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH TRAVEL, AND ACCOUNTS FOR THESE EXPENSES SHOULD BE CARRIED UPON SOURCE'S RETURN. AUTHORITY IS DENIED AT THIS TIME TO PAY SOURCE UP TO \$100 FOR SERVICES SOLELY IN CONNECTION WITH COVERAGE OF ABOVE ACTIVITIES. PAYMENT OF SUCH EXPENSES SHOULD COME FROM REGULARLY ANTICIPATED MONTHLY PAYMENTS FOR THIS PURPOSE. FOLLOWING SOURCE'S RETURN AND REINTERVIEW, SHOULD CIRCUMSTANCES PRECLUDE PAYMENT FROM ANTICIPATED AMOUNT, SUBMIT YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS, FULLY JUSTIFIED, CONCERNING SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT FOR SOURCE.

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Re: Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier
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NOTE:

VVAW/WSO is a militant organization consisting primarily of Vietnam veterans organized initially to protest American involvement in war in Southeast Asia and has become involved in violent demonstrations and activities. Currently VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and this organization is considered a potent force among "anti-imperialist groups." Number of attendees at proposed regional conference is unknown.

[REDACTED] is only known source at this time in a position to attend conference. Coverage of conference deemed essential to effective investigation of captioned organization. [REDACTED] was approved as Bureau informant [REDACTED] and his coverage has been primarily in the VVAW field. Commencing 2/1/74, New York was authorized to pay this source \$100 per month for services and \$20 per month for expenses. Review of payments to source during 6-month period prior to February, 1974, indicates source was not paid in excess of \$20 for services during any one month. Expenses for source broken down as follows: \$10 for lodging, \$10 for meals and \$15 for transportation.

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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING WERE THE ATTEMPTS OF THE VVAW/WSO TO TAKE OVER THE NATIONAL CHURCHES UNITARY AMNESTY ASSOCIATION, BASING THIS ATTEMPT ON THE COMMON GROUND OF AMNESTY FOR WAR OBJECTORS. NO GREAT GAINS WERE MADE IN THIS REGARD DUE TO THE VVAW REFUSAL TO CAMPAIGN FOR AMNESTY USING THE NAME OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS.

ALSO SIGNIFICANT WAS THE ADDITION OF VVAW CHAPTERS IN LONDON, JAPAN, AND HAWAII. FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE WAS FURNISHED. RUNNING THE NATIONAL OFFICE COSTS \$4,300 PER MONTH, OR PLACING THEM IN A \$13,000 DEFICIT. IN ADDITION, AGREEMENT WAS REACHED TO STAGE A NATIONWIDE DEMONSTRATION ON 1/26/74, FOR THE IMPEACHMENT OF PRESIDENT NIXON, AND UNIVERSAL AND UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY.

THE ONLY INDICATION OF INTERNAL FRICTION WITHIN VVAW WAS TAMPA'S SPLIT WITH MIAMI. THIS SPLIT WAS ALLEGED

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

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 TELETYPE [REDACTED] 12/19/73.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU AND RECEIVING OFFICES,

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN [REDACTED]
 VVAW REGION AND THE [REDACTED] VVAW
 CHAPTER FOR APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RECENTLY [REDACTED] AND
 SOURCE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IT IS NOTED THAT SINCE THE [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] NO EFFORTS HAVE BEEN
 MADE TO REACTIVATE [REDACTED] VVAW AND NO PERSONS IN
 [REDACTED] HAVE BEEN CONTACTED.

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TO BECOME WELL-TRUSTED IN THE

ORGANIZATION. REALIZING THAT HAVING SOURCE AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SOURCE WAS ADVISED

[REDACTED]

RETAIN HIS CONTACTS AND ASSOCIATION

WITH NATIONAL WHITE LEADERS

IN THE RECENT PAST, [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WHO ARE [REDACTED]

PARTICIPATED IN A POWER PLAY TO OBTAIN CONTROL OF THE

[REDACTED] AND MOVE THE [REDACTED]

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STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO.
THEIR OBVIOUS INTENTIONS WERE TO OBTAIN CONTROL EVEN AT THE

[REDACTED]

THIS FURTHER ENTRENCHED SOURCE WITH THE
ELEMENTS OF THE NATIONAL VVAW.

PRIOR TO THE NSCM IN LATE DECEMBER, 1973,

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AND BECOME INDEPENDENTLY
AFFILIATED WITH THE NATIONAL VVAW, WITH SOURCE

THIS SITUATION WAS PREVALENT AT THE TIME
SOURCE YELLOW SPRINGS, PHIO, ON 12/26/73 TO
PARTICIPATE IN THE NSCM.

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ON EVENING OF 12/27/73, SOURCE AND TAMPA COORDINATOR,

ATTENDED A SPECIAL MEETING CALLED BY
AND OF THE CHAPTER. IN ATTENDANCE
AT THE MEETING WERE BRIAN ADAMS AND BARRY ROMO FROM THE

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NATIONAL VVAW OFFICE; [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED],
CALIFORNIA REGION; [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] (LNU), COLUMBUS, OHIO,
CHAPTER; [REDACTED] AND UNKNOWN WHITE MALE, WASHINGTON, D.C.
REGION; [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] (LNU), BOQUE CHITTO, ALABAMA,
CHAPTER; [REDACTED] WHITE [REDACTED] REPRESENTING AND [REDACTED]
WISCONSIN REGION, AND [REDACTED]. PRIOR TO THE MEETING

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] JUST STAND ON THE RECORD. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ALL OF WHICH WERE REFUTED
WITH PROOF.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT [REDACTED] NOT A MEMBER OF
ANY REGION AND VVAW BY-LAWS STATE ONLY REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES
CAN ATTEND [REDACTED] NOT BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND THE
CONFERENCE. [REDACTED] REFUSED TO ALLOW [REDACTED]
ATTEND NSCM AS OBSERVERS FROM [REDACTED] HIS ANGERED
ATTENDEES AT THE MEETING SINCE NON-ATTENDANTS WOULD PREVENT

[REDACTED]

CALIFORNIA AND

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WASHINGTON, D. C. REGION AND BOQUE CHITTO ALL VOLUNTEERED
[REDACTED] PRISON REFORM AT THE CONFERENCE.
IN ADDITION, IT WAS DECIDED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IN THE [REDACTED] WAS BEING
UNJUSTLY PUNISHED THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF THE [REDACTED]
AND THE NATIONAL RULES NEEDED TO BE CHANGED AT THE PRESENT
NSCM TO ALLOW UNAFFILIATED CHAPTERS TO ATTEND FUTURE NSCMS.

AFTER THIS SPECIAL MEETING, DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD
BETWEEN SOURCE AND INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE AT THE MEETING.
[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE, [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] OF
[REDACTED] VVAW AND [REDACTED] WERE ALL FOLLOWERS
OF THE MAOIST PHILOSOPHY OR IDEOLOGY. IT WAS EXPECTED THAT
AN INNER STRUGGLE BETWEEN THE FOLLOWERS OF MAO AND THE FOLLOW-
ERS OF THE OLD CP WOULD COME TO A HEAD AT THE TIME THE
MAOIST GROUP FEEL THEY HAVE ENOUGH STRENGTH TO TAKE CONTROL.
THEY WILL THEN EITHER TAKE CONTROL OR CAUSE A COMPLETE
SPLIT IN THE VVAW [REDACTED] THIS COULD COME ABOUT
POSSIBLY AS SOON AS THE NEXT NSCM. [REDACTED] VVAW.
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SHOULD SUPPORT CHINA IN ANY CONFLICT BETWEEN CHINA AND
RUSSIA SINCE RUSSIA HAS BECOME A CAPITALIST COUNTRY. ALSO,
FROM CONVERSATIONS IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THE CALIFORNIA
REGION, WASHINGTON, D. C. REGION, WISCONSIN REGION, BOQUE
CHITTO, ALABAMA, AND COLUMBUS, OHIO, CHAPTERS ALL ARE OF
THE MAOIST IDEOLOGY. IN FACT, COLUMBUS REPRESENTATIVES
ADVISED ONLY MAOIST FOLLOWERS ARE ALLOWED IN THE COLUMBUS
CHAPTER AND A MAOIST STUDY GROUP IS BEING HELD.

FINALLY, CONVERSATION WITH NEW YORK VVAW MEMBER REVEALED
POSSIBLE INTERNAL PROBLEMS IN THAT REGION BETWEEN CHINESE
AND RUSSIAN FACTIONS.

REPRESENTATIVES [REDACTED] CHAPTER, INCLUDING SOURCE,
DID NOT ATTEND THE NSCM, HOWEVER, A NUMBER OF REGIONS AND
NATIONAL OFFICE ADVISED THEY WOULD [REDACTED] MINUTES
OF THE NSCM. [REDACTED] AFFILIATED WITH [REDACTED]
VVAW AND WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE MATERIAL AND INFORMATION b7D
AS BEFORE. IN ADDITION, THE POSSIBILITY REMAINS THAT THE
[REDACTED] WILL ALLOW THE [REDACTED] TO [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] VVAW WILL [REDACTED] AGAIN BECOME

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(VVAW/WSO), National Steering Committee Meeting, Yellow
Springs, Ohio, 12/26-31/73; IS - VVAW/WSO; OO: CHICAGO.

SOURCE, WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN
THE PAST, ATTENDED CAPTIONED MEETING CONDUCTED FROM
8:30AM, 12/27/73 THROUGH 9:05PM, 12/31/73. IN ATTENDANCE
WERE DELEGATES FROM THIRTEEN REGIONS NUMBERING APPROXIMATELY
105 REPEAT 105 PERSONS. MEETING GENERALLY CONSISTED OF
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA, OLD BUSINESS, NEW BUSINESS, WORKSHOP
SESSIONS, AND ACCEPTANCE OF WORKSHOP REPORTS. CONFERENCE
COVERED THE PERIOD SINCE THE LAST MEETING, APPROXIMATELY
4 1/2 MONTHS.

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SOURCE PROVIDED COPIES OF WORKSHOP REPORTS AS WELL
AS OTHER PERTINENT DOCUMENTATION WHICH MUST BE RETURNED.

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ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING,
YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO 12/26-31/73. IS-VVAW/WSO. OO: CHICAGO.

RE BUTEL 12-20-73.

[redacted] ATTENDED CAPTIONED MEETING AS A [redacted]
FROM [redacted] CHAPTER VVAW/WSO. UPON ARRIVAL AT ANTIOCH
COLLEGE, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, EVENING OF 12-27-73, SOURCE
REGISTERED AND OBTAINED ROOM. PRINTED AGENDA WAS HANDED OUT
AND MEETING FOLLOWED FAIRLY CLOSELY TO AGENDA.

ED DAMATO AND MARLA WATSON, NATIONAL COLLECTIVE, WERE
ELECTED AS NATIONAL CO-ORDINATORS FOR ONE YEAR PERIOD. BRIAN
ADAMS, NATIONAL COLLECTIVE, WAS ELECTED AS NATIONAL CO-ORDINATOR
FOR EIGHT-MONTH PERIOD. SAM SCHORR NATIONAL COLLECTIVE, WAS
ELECTED AS NATIONAL CO-ORDINATOR FOR FOUR-MONTH PERIOD.

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SAM SCHORR AND BARRY ROMO, BOTH CURRENT NATIONAL CO-ORDINATORS, WILL BE UP FOR RE-ELECTION AT NEXT NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD [REDACTED] WISCONSIN, 4/11-15/74. IN ADDITION, FOLLOWING WERE NOMINATED FOR POSITIONS AS NATIONAL CO-ORDINATORS TO BE VOTED UPON AT [REDACTED] MEETING:

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[REDACTED] OHIO; [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA; [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] OHIO; [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CHAPTER REPORTEDLY HAD PERSONALITY PROBLEMS WITH [REDACTED] AND DROPPED OUT OF REGION. [REDACTED] DELEGATION SHOWED UP AT YELLOW SPRINGS MEETING BUT WAS REFUSED ADMISSION.

SPOKESMEN FOR THE VARIOUS REGIONS HAD LITTLE TO SAY BUT DID HAND OUT TYPED REPORTS.

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THE [REDACTED] CHAPTER IS CALLING FOR NATIONWIDE VVAW/WSO DEMONSTRATIONS 1/26-27/74, THEME WILL BE "KICK NIXON OUT."
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A NUMBER OF ORGANIZATIONS ARE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEMONSTRATIONS,
SOME OF WHICH ARE NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD, RISING UP ANGRY,
REVOLUTIONARY UNION, OCTOBER LEAGUE. VVAW/WSO PLANS TO EXCLUDE
ALL TROTSKYIST GROUPS, CPUSA AND FRONT GROUPS.

MEETING CONCLUDED PM OF 12-31-73. THERE WAS A PARTY
AT THE DORMITORY ON NEW YEAR'S EVE FOR DELEGATES.

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CONTACTED BRIEFLY [REDACTED] AND WILL BE DEBRIEFED COMMENCING
[REDACTED] UNDER SECURE CONDITIONS. SOURCE ADVISED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FOR NATIONAL MEETING

12/26/73 IN [REDACTED]

AND [REDACTED] DEPARTED [REDACTED]

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DORMITORIES AT ANTIOCH COLLEGE. THE EVENING OF 12/28/73 WAS
DEVOTED TO ELECTING PEOPLE TO THE NATIONAL OFFICE. THE
MEETING LASTED APPROXIMATELY FOUR HOURS AND INCLUDED A FIST
FIGHT BETWEEN TWO DELEGATES FROM DIFFERENT VVAW OFFICES IN
FLA. ELECTED TO THE NATIONAL OFFICE WERE SAM SCHORR, MARLA
WATSON, EDDY DAMATO (PHONETIC), BRIAN ADAMS, AND POSSIBLY
BARRY ROMO. u f

12/29/73 WAS SPENT GOING OVER OLD BUSINESS, IMPLEMENTING
THE AGENDA AND MEETING IN WORKSHOPS. ON 12/30/73 WORKSHOP
MEETINGS CONTINUED AND WORKSHOP REPORTS WERE GIVEN. NEW
BUSINESS WAS HANDLED BOTH ON 12/30 AND 31/73. VARIOUS
PROPOSALS FROM THE REGIONS ON A VARIETY OF TOPICS WERE MADE
AND SOME WERE ADOPTED. A PARTY FOR THE DELEGATES WAS HELD
THE NIGHT OF 12/31/73 AT THE DORMITORY. SOME DOPE WAS SMOKED
AND LIQUOR WAS CONSUMED. ON 1/1/74 THOSE IN ATTENDANCE
COMMENCED TO LEAVE AND NO BUSINESS MEETINGS WERE HELD. W
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SOURCE BELIEVES A NATIONAL ACTION IS TO BE HELD IN
WASHINGTON, D.C., NEXT JUNE OR JULY BUT WILL HAVE TO CONSULT
NOTES TO BE SURE. u

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/
WSO), NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO,
12-26,31-72; IS - VVAW/WSO

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, RELIABLE IN THE PAST, ADVISED NATIONAL STEER-
ING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM) OF VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) COMMENCED 9AM 12-28-73, INSTEAD
OF 12-27-73 AS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED AT ANTIOCH COLLEGE, YELLOW SPRINGS,
OHIO.

THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 100 DELEGATES FROM VARIOUS REGIONS OF THE
SECTION OF THE U.S., INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES FROM KANSAS CITY,
MISSOURI, OHIO; MIAMI AND TAMPA, FLA.; PHILADELPHIA, PA. NEW YORK STATE,
WASHINGTON, D.C. SEATTLE WASHINGTON; BOCA CHITA, LOUISIANA; CALIF.
TEXAS; GEORGIA AND MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

NSCM OPENED WITH ROUNDROBIN REPORTS FROM DELEGATES AS TO WHAT
WAS BEEN HAPPENING IN THEIR REGIONS. IN GENERAL, MOST REGIONS HAVE
BEEN WORKING ON AMNESTY PROJECTS AND THE SETTING UP OF VVAW/WSO COFFEE
HOUSES.

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FOLLOWING ROUND-ROBIN REPORTS THERE WAS DISCUSSION ON WORKSHOPS TO BE HELD. ORIGINALLY 16 WORKSHOPS⁵ HAD BEEN PROPOSED BUT IT WAS DECIDED TO CUT THE NO. OF WORKSHOPS TO 9 BY COMBINING SOME OF THE PROPOSED WORKSHOPS OR ELIMINATING SOME OF THEM. WORKSHOPS DECIDED ON AND ACTUALLY HELD WERE "DEATH DRUGS", "PRISON", "NATURE OF MASS ORGANIZATION", "AMNESTY/DISCHARGE UPGRADING", "ORGANIZING THE STREET VETS", "INDO-CHINA WORKSHO", "OBJECTIVES WORKSHOP", "NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE WORKSHOP", AND "POST VIETNAM SYNDROME WORKSHOP."

IN ADDITION, ON 12-28-73 THERE WAS A NATIONAL OFFICE REPORT, NOSCAM REPORT AND OPERATION COUNTRY FAIR REPORT. FOLLOWING THIS, OLD BUSINESS WAS DISCUSSED MAINLY DEALING WITH THE LENGTH OF TIME REGIONAL COORDINATORS WOULD BE PERMITTED TO HOLD OFFICE.

ABOVE MENTIONED WORKSHOPS⁰⁵ CONTINUED THROUGH SATURDAY 12-29-73. ON SUNDAY 12-30-73, WORKSHOPS²⁶ WERE COMPLETED AND WORKSHOPS REPORTS WERE COMMENCED. AT THIS TIME, EACH WORKSHOP REPORTED ON WHAT THEY HAD DISCUSSED AND VOTED ON IN THEIR PARTICULAR WORKSHOP. THESE WORKSHO REPORTS WILL BE TAKEN BACK TO VARIOUS VVAW/WSO REGIONS WHERE THEY WILL FORM THE BASIS FOR PROJECTS.

ONE WORKSHOP CALLED FOR VVAW/WSO SPONSORED DEMONSTRATIONS IN ALL MAJOR CITIES WHERE VVAW/WSO LOCATED ON WEEKEND OF 1-26,27-74. PURPOSE
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OF DEMONSTRATION IS TO DEMAND TOTAL AMNESTY FOR ALL WAR RESISTERS, STOP BOMBING CAMBODIA AND IMPLEMENT THE PEACE TREATY, AND IMPEACH NIXON.

IN ANOTHER WORKSHOP, NEW YORK DELEGATES INITIATED A DISCUSSION REGARDING A POSSIBLE COUP BY THE MILITARY IN THE U.S. MAIN TOPIC WAS WHAT THE POLITICAL LEFT WOULD DO IN CASE OF A MILITARY COUP IN THIS COUNTRY. IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE POLITICAL LEFT SHOULD GET PREPARED FOR SUCH AN EVENTUALITY BY STOCKPILING MATERIALS IN SHORT SUPPLY, SETTING UP A COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM, AND HAVE AN EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION REGARDING THE STATUS OF SUCH A TAKEOVER.

BY MONDAY 12-31-73, THE WORKSHOP REPORTS HAD BEEN READ AND ACCEPTED. FOLLOWING THIS, THERE WAS DISCUSSION REGARDING THE NEXT MEETING OF THE NSCM AND IN THIS REGARD IT WAS DECIDED TO HAVE THAT MEETING IN MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, ON AN UNSPECIFIED DATE DURING APRIL 1974. FOLLOWING THIS DECISION THE DELEGATES NOMINATED PEOPLE FROM THE VVAW/ WSO REGIONS TO HOLD NATIONAL OFFICE. THE NOMINEES WILL BE VOTED ON IN THE FORTHCOMING NSCM IN APRIL 1974.

THE NSCM ADJOURNED APP. 8 PM 12-31-73 AND MOST OF DELEGATES REMAINED FOR SOCIAL AFFAIR HELD IN A COLLEGE DORMITORY THROUGHOUT THAT NITE. ALL DELEGATES HAD DEPARTED BY MORNING OF 1-1-74.

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION.

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A SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ON 1/2/74 FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING A VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE (NSC) MEETING HELD AT ANTIOCH COLLEGE, YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO, 12/28-31/73.

VVAW WAS FOUNDED IN THE SPRING 1967 BY YOUNG VIETNAM VETERANS IN NEW YORK CITY. VVAW MEMBERS HAVE LED PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST THE WAR IN VIETNAM.

THE MEETING STARTED AT 9 A.M. 12/31/73 WITH APPROXIMATELY 110 REGISTERED INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE. INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE REPRESENTED 15 VVAW REGIONS FROM 21 STATES

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THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WERE PRESENT FROM THE VVAW
REGIONAL OFFICE, CHICAGO: 3

SAM SCHORR, BARRY ROMO, **[REDACTED]** ED DEMATO, **[REDACTED]**

SCHORR MENTIONED THAT THE NATIONAL OFFICE HIRED AN
ACCOUNTANT NAMED **[REDACTED]** TO HELP VVAW ON TAXES.

FIFTEEN WORKSHOPS WERE CONDUCTED DURING THIS NSC MEETING.

ONE OF THE WORKSHOPS WAS ON AMNESTY AND A NATIONWIDE
CAMPAIGN IS TO CONTINUE. AN INDIVIDUAL NAMED **[REDACTED]**
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

ANOTHER WORKSHOP, THE REGIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEE,
CONSISTED OF DISCUSSION OF RAISING MONEY FOR THE DEFENSE OF
PRISONERS RECENTLY INVOLVED IN AN UPRISING AT THE LEAVENWORTH,
KANSAS, PENITENTIARY. AN ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE BY THE VVAW
TO MAKE THEIR TRIALS POLITICAL. **[REDACTED]** MADE AVAILABLE
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NAMES OF THE LEAVENWORTH DEFENDANTS AND OTHER NAMES OF PRISONERS AT THE U.S. PENITENTIARY, LEAVENWORTH, AND ENCOURAGED VVAW MEMBERS TO WRITE AND ADVISE THEM THE VVAW WAS BEHIND THEM AND TO "JOIN THE MOVEMENT."

THIRTY PEOPLE WERE IN ATTENDANCE AT THE MASS ORGANIZATION WORKSHOP AND 29 WERE PRO-COMMUNIST. IT WAS BROUGHT OUT AT THIS WORKSHOP THAT IN THE FUTURE THE VVAW WILL BE INVOLVED IN MANY PROJECTS OTHER THAN VVAW IN ORDER TO BREAK DOWN THE SYSTEM. A FUTURE VVAW OBJECTIVE WILL BE TO INCLUDE CHILDREN IN THEIR PROJECTS.

how did he know

to in what way

AN INDIVIDUAL NAMED [REDACTED] VVAW, WASHINGTON, D.C., AT SOME FUTURE DATE WILL HAVE A MOCK TRIAL ENTITLED "IN FROM THE COLD", WHICH WILL CONSIST OF EDUCATING INDIVIDUALS REGARDING GOVERNMENTAL INTELLIGENCE GATHERING.

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MASS DEMONSTRATIONS THROUGHOUT THE U.S. ARE TO BE CONDUCTED 1/16-28/74 REGARDING ONE YEAR SINCE THE FIGHTING STOPPED IN VIETNAM. THE DEMONSTRATIONS ARE TO SHOW THAT

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FIGHTING IS STILL BEING CARRIED ON THERE.

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b7D AN INDIVIDUAL NAMED [REDACTED] WHITE MALE, [REDACTED], [REDACTED] POUNDS, AGE LATE [REDACTED] WITH [REDACTED] ACCOMPANIED BY A WHITE FEMALE, [REDACTED], [REDACTED] HAIR, WEIGHT [REDACTED] BOTH NOW LIVING IN [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA, SAID HE FEELS THAT THE REVOLUTION IS NEAR AND HE IS WILLING TO TAKE UP GUNS AND FIGHT IMMEDIATELY. HE IMPLIED HE HAD GUNS ALREADY.

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of remarks

THE OVER-ALL ATTITUDE AT THE MEETING IS THAT THE VVAW IS MORE OF A COMMUNIST MOVEMENT. SOME CLAIMED TO BE MARXIST-LENINIST, OTHERS PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY (PLP), AND A FEW PROCLAIMED TO BE SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (SWP) (TROTSKYISTS).

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THE PLP WAS FOUNDED BY INDIVIDUALS EXPELLED FROM THE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, FOR FOLLOWING THE CHINESE COMMUNIST LINE.

THE SWP HAS BEEN DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 10450.

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ADMINISTRATIVE RE [REDACTED] NITEL TO BUREAU 12/20/73

SOURCE IS [REDACTED] b2 b7D

SOURCE GAVE THE NAMES FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] b7C

31 USP LEAVENWORTH PRISONERS.

OFFICIALS [REDACTED] ADVISED.

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1 - Mr. [redacted] (FB)
1 - Mr. [redacted]
1 - Mr. [redacted]

SAC, Cincinnati (100-19743)

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Director, FBI (100-448092)

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

Re: Airtel and Letterhead Memorandum (LHM) dated
1/21/74 captioned as above.

A review of the LHM referred to above discloses several
discrepancies which should be clarified prior to any dissemination
of this document.

For instance, the information set forth on page 2
of the LHM is not attributed to any particular source, it being
noted eight confidential informants were utilized. In addition,
the information regarding regional reports beginning on page 3
and continuing through page 17 appears to be copied from printed
material but quotes were not used and persons who furnished the
material were not identified. It might be well to document the
source of this information and present verbatim the text rather
than the entire report. In this regard, the LHM does not
include information set out by the VVAW/WSO at the meeting
of the 11th National Steering Committee meeting. The LHM
contains the various proposals voted on at that meeting and
they were approved by the delegates and by that report.

The information set forth in pages 18-21 concerning an
alleged national office evaluation of regions is not in agreement
with the rather optimistic report of the national office which
was submitted to the National Steering Committee meeting. Hence
this information is rather vague, especially insofar as it
made of logical inferences such as [redacted] and [redacted]
to the identity of the author of this report or what [redacted]
actually is. The circumstances of its preparation and presentation

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100-448982

should also be determined. It would be interesting to know if this report is an attempt to create factionalism by individuals not in accord of the aims of the national office to transform the VVAW/WSO into a Marxist-Leninist organization.

The source of the information concerning finances set forth on page 42 and 43 is not identified. In addition, was there any information furnished by informants who attended this meeting which would clarify the meaning of the remarks on page 43 which clearly indicate a desire not to put certain information into writing? Was there anything said at the meeting by way of explanation as to the meaning of this report?

Financial information set forth on pages 44-46 was not identified as to its source. This information should be clarified as to where decimals belong inasmuch as the net loss, for example, could be interpreted as \$5,431 or \$54.31. As to the information appearing on pages 47-51, it is not clear whether this information was furnished by all sources or whether different sources furnished different portions.

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In addition, it is noted information contained ~~_____~~ teletype to the Bureau, Chicago and Cincinnati dated 1/9/74, and ~~_____~~ teletype to Cincinnati and the Bureau dated 1/2/74 contained information indicating VVAW/WSO leaders are followers of a Marxist-Leninist philosophy and individuals connected with the Progressive Labor Party (PLP) and Socialist Workers Party (SWP) are active in the organization. None of this information was included in the LHM. It should be borne in mind the purpose of sending informants to a conference of this nature is to gather information such as that set forth in these two teletypes of reference. It is felt such information should be worthy of inclusion in a comprehensive report of the proceedings at the meeting.

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100-448002

Cincinnati thoroughly review information received from sources and in light of the above observations, which are not all inclusive, submit either appropriate amended pages or a revised LHM which adequately sets forth the proceedings of the conference properly documented. Handle this matter promptly.

NOTE:

Inadequacies of the referenced LHM as noted above must be resolved prior to any dissemination of this information.

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TO SAC [REDACTED]
NEW YORK (100-160844)

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

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (100-448092)

Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier
Organization, Internal Security.

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REBUTEL FEBRUARY 14, 1974.

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[REDACTED]
NEW YORK, FOR PURPOSE OF ATTENDING SCHEDULED VIETNAM VETERANS
AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
NEW YORK STATE REGIONAL CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 16-17, 1974.

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PROMPTLY DEBRIEF SOURCE UPON HIS RETURN AND REPORT TO FIELD
AND INTERVIEW OFFICERS A SUMMARY TELETYPE SUITABLE FOR DISSEMI-
NATION SETTING FORTH HIGHLIGHTS OF CONFERENCE. THEREAFTER,

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1 - CHICAGO (BY MAIL)

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TELETYPE TO ██████████ AND NEW YORK
RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
100-448092

PREPARE APPROPRIATE MEMORANDUM CONCERNING THE CONFERENCE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED IN SAC LETTER 72-3, (C).

COPY MAILED ALBANY AND CHICAGO.

NOTE:

VVAW/WSO is a militant organization consisting primarily of Vietnam veterans organized initially to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia and has become involved in violent demonstrations and activities. Currently, VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and this organization is considered a potent force among "anti-imperialist groups." Number of attendees for proposed Regional Conference is unknown. ██████████ chapter ██████████

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██████████ VVAW/WSO and as such is expected to ██████████ he should be privy to any high level discussions or planning occurring thereat. If approved, this will be the second Bureau source covering this meeting. ██████████ was approved as a Bureau informant 7/23/73. Commencing 12/1/73, monthly payments to him were authorized in the amount of ██████████ for services and ██████████ for expenses. Expenses authorized in this communication are broken down as follows: ██████████ for meals ██████████

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NEW YORK (100-160644)

FROM [REDACTED] 2P **b7D**

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION; IS
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RE NEW YORK NITEL, FEB. 8, 1974; AND BUREAU NITEL, FEB. 12, 1974.

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ON FEB. 15, 1974, [REDACTED] ADVISED HE HAS BEEN SELECTED TO
ATTEND VVAW/WSO NEW YORK STATE REGIONAL CONFERENCE FEB. 16-17,
1974. SOURCE ADVISED CONFERENCE SCHEDULED TO BE HELD AT [REDACTED]
NY, EXACT LOCATION UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME. SOURCE STATED HE WILL

[REDACTED] NY WITH [REDACTED] NY - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], VVAW/WSO, AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CHAPTER VVAW/WSO. SOURCE ANTICIPATES EXPENSES

[REDACTED] FOR LODGING, [REDACTED] FOR MEALS, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

IT IS ANTICIPATED [REDACTED] WILL REQUEST PAYMENT FOR SERVICES SOLELY IN CONNECTION WITH THIS ACTIVITY IN ADDITION TO REGULARLY AUTHORIZED MONTHLY AMOUNTS.

IF TRAVEL AUTHORIZED, DETAILED ACCOUNTING WILL BE OBTAINED UPON SOURCE'S RETURN AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL PAYMENT SUBMITTED IF CURRENT AUTHORIZATION IS NOT SUFFICIENT.
END.

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