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A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED ON MAY 15, 1975, THAT FIVE PERSONS APPEARED IN THE VICINITY OF THE FEDERAL BUILDING, CINCINNATI, ON MAY 15, 1975, AND SPENT A SHORT THE PASSANG OUT LEFLETS DESCRIBING THE UNITED STATES AS THE "REAL PIRATES" IN THE INCIDENT INVOLVING THE SEIZURE OF THE US SHIP MAYAGUEZ. THE SAME SOURCE ADVISED ON MAY 16, 1975, THAT 23 PERSONS APPEARED AT THE FEDERAL BUILDING, CINCINNATI AT ABOUT 2:30PM, AND PASSED OUT THE SAME LEAFLET AS HAD BEEN DISTRIBUTED ON MAY 15, 1975. NO INCIDENTS NOR ARESTS OCCUPRED ON EITHER MAY 15 OR 16, 1975. DEMONSTRATORS ON MAY 16, 1975, CARRIED BANNERS OF THE VVANZMSO AND THE REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE.

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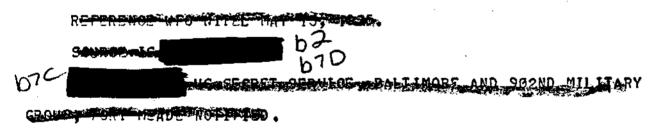
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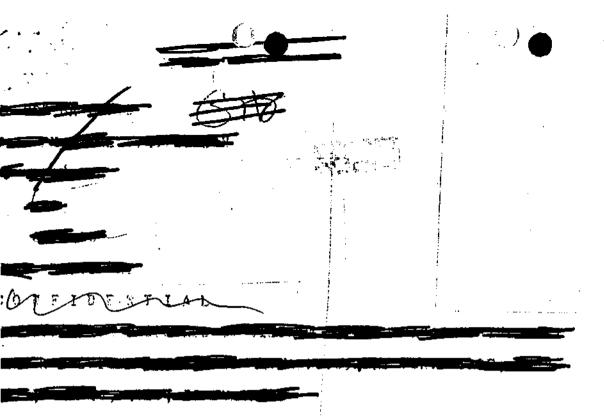
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Re Los Angeles FD-306 dated 12/26/74.

A preliminary inquiry has been instituted concerning the subject for the purpose of determining if he is a leader or activist of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), activity of which could involve a violation of Title 18, USC, Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), Section 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of the U.S. Government), Section 2387 (Sedition) and Section 793 (Espionage).

For the information of the Bureau, this investigation was instituted as a result of information being furnished by the Los Angeles Division, which indicated that the subject was on the Chapter list for the VVAW/WSO during December, 1974. This list indicated that the subject was an "organizing contact" at the State University College at Fredonia, Fredonia, New York. The Los Angeles Division further advised that organizing contacts are believed to be individuals associated with the New York - Northern New Jersey region of the VVAW/WSO in areas where there are not enough members to form a chapter.

A knowledgeable source at the State University College at Fredonia, Fredonia, New York advised on 3/25/75, that there are presently no VVAW/WSO Chapters on the Fredonia, N.Y. campus. Source advised that he is acquainted with the subject and is aware of the fact that he is a member of the VVAW/WSO. He identified the subject as an above average student who has been active in numerous student activities since coming to Fredonia. Source advised that during the 1973-1974 school year, he was

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Source Identified the subject as a resident of Avenue. Buffalo, New York, with a college address of New York. He advised that he is a supplied that he is

Source further advised that the subject graduated from the subject graduate

Birth records for the City of Buffalo. Department of Vital Statistics disclosed on 4/28/75, that was born on New York. His lather is listed as N.Y. whose occupation is listed as a/crane operator, and his mother is need also born in N.Y.

The files of the Identification Division of the Buffalo, New York Police Department, the Fredonia, New York Police Department, the Chautauqua County Sheriff's Office, Mayville, New York and the Erie County Sheriff's Office, Buffalo, New York, have been checked, but show no record identifiable with the subject.

During the month of April, 1975, eenfidential informants of the Buffalo Division, who are knowledgeable about phases of subversive activity in the Buffalo, New York area, were contacted and advised they had no information to furnish concerning the subject.

In view of the fact that the subject does not fit the criteria for a continuing investigation of a VVAW/WSO individual, this case is being closed.

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The knowledgeable source referred to in instant

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), COLUMBUS, OHIO (TENTATIVE); JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE)

Captioned VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM) will likely be highly significant in determining the future course, or even the continued existence, of the VVAW/WSO in terms of its relationship with the Revolutionary Union (RU).

It is most imperative that we have coverage of this NSCM in general and all of the major workshops → Informants should be particularly alert to contemplated continuation of discussion, debate, and voting on affiliation of VVAW/WSO wit RU.

Chicago, attempt to verify location and determine e act dates for captioned NSCM and advise FBIHQ and all recipie.

Following receipt of above verification and dates for this NSCM, all offices with informants in a position to atte this NSCM should request FBIHQ approval for their travel to 📭 NSCM site and coordinate pertinent details with office cover

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NOTE:

As you are aware, the VVAW/WSO has been effect penetrated by the RU, and VVAW/WSO leaders voted at the NSCM to align with RU. There exist within VVAW/WSO, ho anti-RU forces who are preparing for a showdown on the of the VVAW/WSO at the next NSCM tentatively slated for July, 1975, in Ohio. Recipientsoffices believed to have i necessity for effective coverage of this meeting. sources who could logically attend this NSCM are being

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ON MAY 17, 1975, AT APPROXIMATELY 12:00 NOON, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FBI OBSERVED ABOUT 50 INDIVIDUALS REPRESENTING VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, ASSEMBLE AT NEWTON PARK, DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. THEY THEN MARCHED TO BALBOA PARK, SAN DIEGO, CARRYING SIGNS AND CHANTING SLOGANS PROTESTING U. S. IMPERIALISM; CAPITALISM; U. S. INVOLVEMENT IN INDO-CHINA, AFRICA, AND THE MIDDLE EAST; AND TO SEEK SUPPORT FOR THE ABOLISHMENT OF THE UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE, UNCONDITIONAL DRAFT EVADER AND DESERTER AMNESTY, ONE TYPE OF MILITARY DISCHARGE, AND THE END OF FEMALE REPRESSION IN THE MILITARY. UPON ARRIVAL AT BALBOA PARK, END PAGE ONE

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SPEECHES WERE GIVEN ON THE SUBJECTS OF THE SAME NATURE BY VAFINDIVIDUALS AND THE RALLY BROKE UP AT APPROXIMATELY 4:00 PM.
THE MARCH AND RALLY WERE WITHOUT ARREST OR INCIDENT.

THE VVAW FORMED IN 1967 BY VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST

U. S. INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA (CHANGED NAME)
TO VVAW/WSO IN 1973, TO INCLUDE NON-VETERANS AS MEMBERS), HAS
SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME RESULTING IN VIOLENCE. THE VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICE (NO AND SOME
REY CHAPTERS ARE INFILTRATED AND INFLUENCED BY THE MILITANT
REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) ORGANIZATION, AND VVAV/WSO LEADERS
HAVE TOLD MEMBERS THAT VVAW/WSO IS A REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATION, NOT "JUST ANOTHER GROUP OF WAR VETERNAS." THE CURRENT
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(NSCM), IN 1974, PORTRAYED VVAW/WSO AS A MASS ANTI-IMPERIALIS
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VVAW/WSO LEADERS VOTED AT THE DECEMBER, 1974, NSCM TO ALIGN VVAW/WSO WITH THE RU, WHICH ORGANIZATION FOLLOWS A STRICT MAOIST LINE DESIGNED TO BRING ABOUT VIOLENT REVOLUTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE RU, FOUNDED IN EARLY 1968, IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA, IS A MILITANT SEMI-COVERT MARXIST-LENINIST REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATION IDEOLOGICALLY ORIENTED TOWARDS THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND THE TEACHINGS OF CHAIRMAN MAD TSE-TUNG. ITS OBJECTIVES AS SET FORTH IN ITS THEORETICAL PUBLICATION, "THE RED PAPERS," AND IN ITS MONTHLY NEWSPAPER, "REVOLUTION," 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-MAD TSE-TUNG THOUGHT, LEADING TO THE OVERTHROW OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BY FORCE AND VIOLENCE. MEMBERS DF THE RU HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS COLLECTING WEAPONS WHILE ENGAGING IN FIREARMS AND GUERRILLA WARFARE TRAINING. AS OF JULY, 1974, RU NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS WAS LOCATED IN MAYWOOD, ILLINOIS.

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The VVAW/WSO Midwest Regional Conference in Detroit, Michigan, 5/31 - 6/1/75, will further define extent of unrest within above region and VVAW/WSO nationally over extensive infiltration of VVAW/WSO by the Revolutionary Union (RU), a Marxist-Leninist-Maoist basic revolutionary organization, and informant coverage is desirable. Source is currently nogitioned

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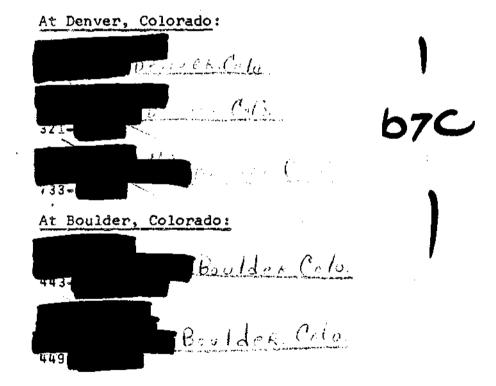
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#### DENVER DIVISION:

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- 1) Will follow activities of the Region to determine violations of pertinent Federal statutes which might occur.
- 2) Will determine the size and scope of this organization.
- 3) Will, through sources, determine identity of the following individuals who attended the Rocky Mountain Regional Convention at Boulder, Colorado, on 11/23 and 24/75, and determine if these individuals might be in violation of pertinent Federal statutes:



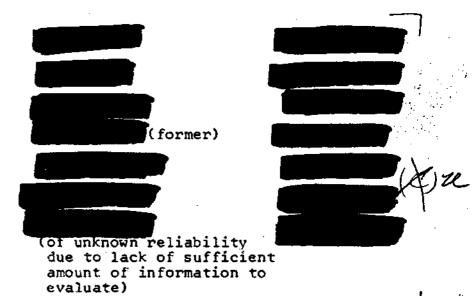
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By communication dated 2/21/75, (DNFILE 100-11685) (BUFILE 100-479199) was removed from ADEX. This case was subsequently closed 4/4/75. Leading activists and other principals of the organization have been or are being investigated and appropriate recommendations concerning them either have been or are being made.

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

Synopsis:

Headquarters for VVAW/WSO groups in region is now 2530 West 37th Street, #2, formerly 1942 West 33rd, Denver, DECLASSIFIED Colorado. No separate location located for Denver Chapter, however, Regional Office and Denver Chapter maintain office jointly at 1764 Gilpin Street, Denver, with meetings at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, 1280 Vine Street, on Sunday evenings. Antonito, Boulder, Colorado Springs and Fort Collins Chapters inactive. No chapters in the State of Wyoming. Goals discussed at Regional Convention for Rocky Mountain Region held at Boulder, Colorado, 11/23-24/75, set forth. Regional and state coordinators elected at Regional Convention.

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is now Regional Coordinator. former Colorado. Regional Coordinator, appears inactive. No regional staff appears to exist and organization appears identical for Regional Office and Denver Chapter with eight members. Boulder Chapter claims four members. Colorado Springs, Antonito and Fort Collins Chapters consist of one representative. One contact in Wyoming. Financial ability unknown. No Regional newspaper "Hoa Binh" printings known since April, 1974. Six handouts or papers made available by Rocky Mountain Region. Three members from Rocky Mountain Region attended National GI Conference in Chicago October and November, 1974. Regional Convention of Rocky Mountain Region held 11/23-24/75 at Boulder, Colorado. Seven members from Rocky Mountain Region attended National Steering Committee meeting, 12/28/74, at St. Louis, Missouri. arrested 11/30/74, at Wheatridge, Colorado, with members of United Farm Workers boycotting sale of certain wine products. Arrest was for disobeying a restraining order and investiga: tion of first degree assault, no disposition.

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DETAILS:

I. LOCATION

For characterization of Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), see appendix.

#### Regional Office:

The Regional Office for Colorado/New Mexico/ Utah/ Wyoming moved from the home of the former Regional Street, benver to crade, to the home of Number 2; Denver, Colorado, 80211 (303)

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#### Denver Chapter:

The Denver Chapter maintains an address at Post Office Box 18591, Denver, Colorado, 80218.

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This address was formerly the address utilized for the Regional Office and telephone number (303) 477-0587, was also utilized for the regional office. A

December, 1974

The phone number (303) 477by the Regional Office, lists to the private residence of Regional Coordinator, and

formerly utilized 676

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The Regional Office maintains an office, jointly, with the Denver Chapter at 1764 Gilpin Street and holds meetings at Saint Barnabas Episcopal Church, 1280 Vine Street, on Sunday evenings.

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#### Antonito Chapter:

The Antonito Chapter maintains an address at c/o
Box Antonito, Colorado, 81120.

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Colorado, and was the only VVAW/WSO representative in the area.

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#### Boulder Chapter:

Chapter meetings continue to be scheduled for 12:00 noon, Wednesdays, in Room 177, University Memorial Center, University of Colorado (CU), Boulder, Colorado, 80302. The chapter maintains a phone number of (303-443-2211, Extension 8877.

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There have been no recent meetings of the Boulder Chapter, however, this chapter is an authorized organization on the CU Campus.

CU Campus Police Department 11/6/74

Colorado Springs Chapter:

The Colorado Springs Chapter lists an address of Post Office Box 6133, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 80904.  $\$ 

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is the only representative in Hecurrently resides at the Colorado Springs area. He Green Mountain Falls, (1010.

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Fort Collins Chapter:

Fort Collins, is only VVAW/WSU representative Colorado, 80521 (303) 493in the Fort Collins area. No chapter exists in this area.

Wyoming Contact:

There are no chapters in the State of Wyoming, however, AM-FM Radio Station Wyoming, 82070, is a contact.

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II. GOALS

At the Regional Convention for the Rocky Mountain Region of the VVAW/WSO held on November 23-24, 1974, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, the following goals were set forth:  $\$  \\ \

Regional Office:

None were discussed.

## Denver Chapter:



was the spokesman for the Denver Chapter. The Denver Chapter professed the following goals, tactics and strategy:

- 1. To influence and bring to the left, various legitimate veterans organizations.
  - 2. To start new GI work at Lowry Air Force Base.
- 3. To start GI work at the Veterans Administration Hospital.
- 4. To conduct counter-recruiting and demonstrations at ROTC on college campuses and military recruiting offices.
- 5. To influence and bring to the left, National Guard and Reserve Organizations and to attempt to organize and influence individual members of the National Guard and Reserves.
- 6. To plan and organize a demonstration to be held on January 27, 1975, to inform the public that the Peace Accord which was signed with North Vietnam two years ago is not being lived up to.

## Boulder Chapter:

The Boulder Chapter presented no goals, tactics or strategy. Boulder delegates state that due to a loss of membership since the end of the war and ampathy among students to the GI and Veterans cause, the Boulder Chapter felt that they could not concentrate on any GI or Veterans based tactic or strategy,

# Albuquerque Chapter:

The Albuquerque Chapter advised that it would continue the distribution of the GI News at Kirkland Air Force Base Albuquerque, New Mexico, and would continue organizing efforts at the University of New Mexico. The Albuquerque Chapter also mentioned that JANE FONDA, TOM HADDEN and JIM HARRIS were speakers for the Indo China Peace Campaign and that the Indo China Peace Campaign could be contacted through telephone number AC-213-392-3942. The speaking fees are set at \$500.00 for HADDEN and HARRIS and \$1,000.00 for FONDA.

# Salt Lake City Chapter:

The Salt Lake City Chapter discussed organizing and influencing National Guard in Utah and continuing activities at Hill Air Force Base. Salt Lake City also mentioned interest in supporting issues other than those that are GI or Veterans oriented such as sugar boycotts and support of United Farm Workers, a labor organization.

III. LEADERSHIP REGIONAL OFFICE and
STATE OFFICES

At the Regional Convention of the Rocky Mountain Region of VVAW/WSO held on November 23 - 24, 1974, at Boulder, Colorado, the University of Colorado, was unanimously elected as Regional Coordinator, was unanimously elected as State Coordinator, was elected as Coordinator for the State of New Mexico.

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was nominated as State Coordinator for Colorado, but declined due to labor connections at his employment.

was nominated as State Coordinator of Colorado, but declined due to his association with the Rocky Mountain Military Project.

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was nominated for Colorado Coordinator but declined stating he was not capable.

was Regi<u>onal Coordin</u>ator aforementioned elections and acted as Secretary and Recorder.

is currently the VVAW house on Colorado. s still working for is not involved in any regional or organization VVAW activities and it is not known if he is involved in activities of the Denver Chapter of the VVAW.

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Denver Chapter:

was spokesman for the Denver Chapter.

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IV. MEMBERSHIP

# Regional Office:

is the Regional Coordinator and resides
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another member.

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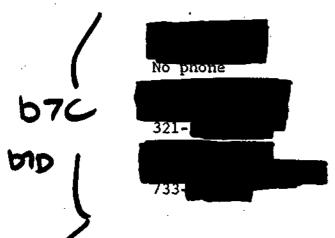
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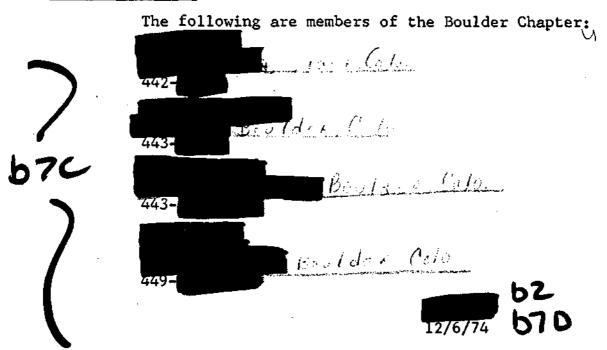


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A discharge up-grade group is headed up by Gilpin, Denver. The group has attracted many of the old time fire brands of the VVAW.

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# Boulder Chapter:



has not recently been on the University of Colorado (CU) Campus or participated in any demonstrations in the Boulder area.

CU Police Department

At the Regional Convention of the Rocky Mountain Region of the VVAW/WSO held on November 23 - 24, 1974, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, the Boulder Chapter presented no goals, tactics or strategy. Boulder delegates stated that due to a loss of membership as a result of the end of the war and ampathy among students to the GI and Veterans Cause, their chapter could not concentrate on any GI or Veterans based tactic or strategy.

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Colorado Springs Chapter:

Box Green Mountain Falls, 684- as the only member in Colorado Springs.

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a white female who is a student at Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Colorado, has written to and expressed a desire to become involved in working for ammesty and against the war in general.

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was contacted and is interested in establishing some kind of peace coalition at Colorado State College,

V. FINANCES

A regional convention for the Rocky Mountain Region of the VVAW/WSO was held on November 23 - 24, 1974, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado. No mention was made of finances.

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VI. PUBLICATIONS

During the period November 1 - November 20, 1974, four handouts entitled, "VVAW/WSO Women;" "VVAW-WSO GI Resistance," "Conditional Amnesty Program" and "The Amnesty Movement", were put forth by the Regional Office. No issues of the regional newspaper "Hoa Bihn" have been published.

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A paper entitled, "The Venice Critique of the Political Statement of the National Collective on the Future of VVAW/WSO" was obtained from VVAW Regional Coordinator, at Denver.

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A paper entitled, "The Denver Critique of the Political Statement of the National Collective on the future of VVAW/WSO" was put out by the Regional Office of VVAW at Denver.  $\chi_{\Lambda}$ 

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VII. ACTIVITIES

# Regional Office and Chapters:

On October 23, 1974, and November 1, 1974, respectively, a National GI Conference sponsored by the VVAW/WSO was held at the YMCA, 826 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, during the period October 11 - 14, 1974.

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In attendance were and volume and VVAW/WSO, Denver. Several groups, organizations and individuals participated in this conference.

A proposed agenda for a regional meeting on November 23 and 24, 1974, at Boulder, Colorado, set forth the aims and goals of this meeting as follows:

- 1. To raise, analyze and discuss the focus of VVAW/WSO.
- 2. To underline the importance of structure and the development of leadership to the Organization.
- 3. To report on and dispose of organizational business.
- 4. To present information and background on different struggles occuring on the National, International and Regional levels.
  - 5. To discuss content areas and a regional strategy.
- 6. To allow chapters and states to develop local tactics around a regional strategy based on their knowledge of local conditions and resources.
  - 7. To build the spirit of the organization.

A map was provided on the announcement for this convention showing that it would be held at the University of Colorado Memorial Center at Boulder. Those to attend were to contact the Lith. 443- The announcement was signed by Denver Chapter.

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The Regional Convention at the Rocky Mountain Region of the VVAW/WSO was held on November 23 - 24, 1974, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado. During this convention, the following transpired: \/

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A discussion as to which position the Rocky Mountain Region would support: The National Office Position Paper, the Venus Position Paper or the Denver Position Paper, concerning the role of the VVAW.

The convention issued a vote of confidence for the National Office Division Paper at the National Steering Committee Meeting in St. Louis. Members of the Boulder Chapter were the only individuals who were opposed to the National Office Position. Debate on this issue took all of the first day.

A debate ensued on the second day on matters that had been brought up during the last National Steering Committee meeting in Buffalo, New York, in August of 1974, and which would be voted on at the National Steering Committee meeting in St. Louis.

The first issue was that of those individuals running for National Office, National Collective. This discussion was merely informational and it was left to the discretion of delegates who would attend the National Steering Committee in St. Louis as to how they would vote on these openings.

The remainder of the issues were tabled until further information from the National Office was received.

State and Regional officers were elected.

Goals, strategy and tactics were discussed, however, part of the convention concerning the discussion was merely a brainstorm type of session and none of the issues were actually voted on.  $\supset$ 

At the closing of the meeting, a letter from the National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression (see appendix) was read to convention members. This letter was in response to an article condemning the Communist Party U.S.A. (see appendix) and the National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression for gaining publicity at the expense of other people. Members displayed overwhelming disapproval of this letter.

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A party was held for those in attendance at the Regional Convention for the Rocky Mountain Region of the The party VVAW/WSO in Boulder on November 23 - 24 1974. was held at the apartment of and most of the individuals who attended the convention also attended the party at which beer, rum and marijuana were served. \ \

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The National Steering Committee Meeting for VVAW/WSO convened on December 28, 1974, at 9:30 a.m. in a church located at 1319 Boland Place, St. Louis, Missouri.

The Rocky Mountain Region did not have a round robin report prepared and made no presentation. < \

and V (last name unknown) attended the National Steering Committee Meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, during December 28 - 31, 1974.

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# Denver and other Chapters:

On November 30, 1974, a demonstration took place in front of the Applejack Liquor Store at 3320 Youngfield, Wheatridge, Colorado. The leaders of this demonstration were members of the United Farm Workers, protesting the sale of Gallo Wine products. Thirty-two pickets were present. A restraining order and injunction was served on the United Farm Workers by Jefferson County (Colorado) District Court on November 29, 1974, not to allow more than two pickets at a time on the premises of this liquor store. Following an attempt by two county officers to read the injunction and restraining order to the pickets, two disruptions occurred and 17 pickets were arrested. Among these was date of birth

date of birth who was booked for disobeying a court order and investigation of first degree assault.

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676 670 State Coordinator for VVAW, stated that had been arrested in the Applejack Liquor Store, 32nd and Youngfield for second degree assault on a police officer for resisting arrest. allegedly attempted to grab the officers' guns while picketing the store in support of the United Farm Workers regarding the sale of Gallo Wines. was bailed out of jail by the United Farm Workers.

The Denver Chapter unanimously voted to have its entire membership demonstrate at this liquor store in support of the United Farm Workers on Saturday, December 21, 1974. A clash is expected between the Teamsters and the United Farm Workers and there is also a possibility of a confrontation with local law enforcement officials.

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The VVAW, Clergy and Laymen Concerned (CALC) and the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) will stage a candlelight march and rally in connection with the second anniversary of the Vietnam Peace Agreement at the State Capitol Building, Denver, on January 27, 1975, at 8:00 p.m.

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CALC is headquartered in New York City and is a publicly acclaimed group of clergy and laymen concerned about the war in Vietnam. In the past it has been active in anti-war activities.

The AFSC is an organization of the Quaker Church with regional and local offices throughout the United States. Its chief activities include civil rights, draft counseling and anti-war activities.

A VVAW/WSO demonstration was to take place at the Veterans Administration Hospital, 1055 Clermont, Denver, Colorado, from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m., March 28, 1975, in connection with Vietnam Veterans Day. The demonstration would consist of picketing and/or leafleting and Regional Coordinator was giving it very little support.

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Due to the weather, the demonstration was put off until March 29, 1975.

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Twelve individuals showed up and were passing out literature, including a page from the "Winter Soldier," national newspaper of the VVAW. Two of the protesters were allowed inside the lobby where they stayed about 15 minutes and returned to their group outside. Shortly thereafter, the group dispersed.

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On May 15, 1975, a protest march was held in the square of the Federal Courthouse, 19th and Stout Streets, Denver, sponsored by the National Caucus of Labor Committees (NCLC) (see appendix). About 53 persons were in attendance including former fugitive CAMERON DAVID RISHOP, who spoke on his own behalf, urging support for himself and for an end fold to U. S. aggression in Cambodia. Also present were members of the October League (see appendix) and the National Lawyers Guild (see appendix).

Of the VVAW was the only representative of that organization.

Special Agent FBI, 5/15/75

A demonstration urging support of the Palestine Liberation Organization (see appendix) was held at the Glorado State Capitol Building, Denver, on May 17, 1975. About 31 persons were in attendance, including those from the October League, National Lawyers Guild, Communist Party U.S.A. and the Colorado Workers' Unity Organization (CWUO).

The CWUO has described itself as an organization formed to defend the interests of working people in Colorado. They believe that only through united action can they protect themselves and their families from the growing attacks on their democratic rights and standard of living. In the past year, members of CWUO have worked in support of several local strikes and nationwide boycotts, including the Jeffco strike and the Farmworkers, Farah and Sloane boycotts. They have demonstrated in support of the democratic rights of the people of Chile and against the unjust deportations of foreign-born workers from this country.

A member of the CWUO stated that the VVAW in Denver had broken up and that he had formerly been a member but was now involved with the CWUO as were other former members.



VIII. RELATIONS WITH OTHER GROUPS

# Regional Office and Chapters:

At the regional convention of the Rocky Mountain Region of the VVAW/WSO held on November 23, 24, 1974, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, a letter from the National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression was read to convention members. VVAW had previously written an editorial in the "Winter Soldier" national VVAW newspaper in which it condemned the Communist Party and the National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression, for gaining publicity at the expense of other people. The letter from the National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression accused VVAW of being racists, anti-progressive, in the revolutionary movement and using reactionary tactics.

Members attending the convention showed overwhelming disapproval of the letter from the National Alliance against Racism and Political Repression. FRANK/CHAVES of the Denver Revolutionary Union (see appendix) was present. He urged that VVAW stay in its place, maintain a Veterans GI Base and stay in the background of the Revolutionary Union. He advocated a revolutionary Communist viewpoint.

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IX. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

# Regional Office and Chapters:

There have been no public appearances noted.

## COMMUNIST PARTY, USA (CPUSA)

Title 50, USC, Section 791 (Internal Security Act of 1950) stated that, as a result of evidence adduced before various committees of the Senate and House of Representatives, Congress found the existence of a world communist revolutionary movement, whose purpose is to establish a communist totalitarian dictatorship in the world's countries through the medium of a world-wide communist organization. Communist action organizations in various countries endeavor to carry out the objectives of the world communist movement by bringing about the overthrow of existing governments by any means. The communist organization in the United States -- the CPUSA -- pursuing its stated objectives, presents " a clear and present danger to the security of the United States." The Subversive Activities Control Board, established by Section 791 of the above Act, found the CPUSA to be a communist action organization This finding was upheld by the United States Supreme Court in June, 1961. The CPUSA has continued to be an arm of the international communist movement dominated by the Soviet Union. The CPUSA, in its dependence on the Soviet Union, has never knowingly adopted a position contrary to Soviet policy. leaders frequently confer with Soviet leaders to receive guidance and direction on the policies the CPUSA is to follow. There has been no evidence that the primary aims of the CPUSA, as they conform to Soviet objectives, have changed over the years.

NATIONAL ALLIANCE AGAINST RACIST AND POLITICAL REPRESSION

The National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression (NAARPR) is a front group of the Communist Party, USA, a subversive organization that serves as an arm of the international communist movement dominated by the Soviet Union. A source advised that it was formed under communist initiative at a founding conference in Chicago, Illinois, in May, 1973. It is targeted against the American penal system and has among its objectives the freeing of all "political prisoners." The NAARPR is headquartered in New York, New York, and has branches throughout the United States.

#### OCTOBER LEAGUE

The October League (CL) was founded in 1969 in Los Angeles, California, and in May, 1972, merged with the Georgia Communist League, a small Marxist-Leninist organization, having the same goals as the OL. The OL's published "Statement of Political Unity of the Georgia Communist League (M-L) and the October League (M-L)" dated May, 1972, states the union of the two organizations was effected to construct "a new communist party in the United States based on the guiding principles of the revolutionary theory of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought." This statement also continues "---the only way that Socialism can be established in the U.S. is through military insurrection, the smashing of the bourgeois state by the armed force of the masses and its replacement by a new proletarian state based on an army of the workers. This is a universal principal of Marxism-Leninism." \ \( \)

The October League maintains its National Head-quarters in Los Angeles and currently has chapters located in 13 cities in the United States. Various OL leaders have been known to visit the People's Republic of China.

PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (PLO)

Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) was established in 1964 and acts as a coordinating body for most of the Palestinian fedayeen groups. The Palestine Liberation Army (PLA) is its military arm and the Palestine Liberation Forces (PLF) is its commando arm.

### REVOLUTIONARY UNION

The Revolutionary Union (EU), founded in early 1968 in the San Prancisco Bay area, is a militant semicovert Harmist-Laminist revolutionary organization ideologically oriented towards the Moole's Republic of China and the teachings of Chairman MAO Yes-tung. Its objectives as set forth in its theoretical publication, "The Rod Fapers," and in its monthly newspaper, "Revolution," are the Covologment of a united front against imperialism, the footowing of revolutionary working class unity and lendership in struggle, and the femation of a communist party baced on Harrism-Leninism-MAO Too-tung thought, loading to the overthrem of the United States Government by force and violence. Hembers of the RU have been identified as collecting vergons while engaging in firearms and guerrilla warfare training. As of July, 1974, RU national headquarters was located in Maywood, Illinois.

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

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The VVAW, formed in 1967 by Vietnam veterans to protest U.S. involvement in the war in Southeast Asia (changed name to VVAW/WSO in 1973 to include non-veterans as members), has sponsored numerous anti-government demonstrations, some resulting in violence. The VVAW/WSO National Office (NO) and some key chapters are infiltrated and influenced by the militant Revolutionary Union (RU) organization, and VVAW/WSO leaders have told members that VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary organization, not "just another group of war veterans." The current Marxist-Leninist-Maoist oriented NO, which promotes education of the membership in Marxist-Leninist-Maoist doctrine and directs the organization into political growth along the same lines, has at VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meetings (NSCM), in 1974, portrayed VVAW/WSO as a mass antiimperialist organization and a vanguard of the revolution eventually created by the masses. \ \

VVAW/WSO leaders voted at the 12/74 NSCM to align VVAW/WSO with the RU, which organization follows a strict Maoist line designed to being about violent revolution in the U.S.

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Coordinator of the VVAW/WSO in the Region. As is apparent in his letter, this region is currently in a state of some chaos because of several chapters reluctance to follow what appears to be RU domination of the National VVAW Office.

In that regard, it is noted that the letter sets forth that the Columbus Chapter voted unanimously to withdraw from VVAW/WSO. In view of that, it is considered most unlikely that Columbus, Ohio, will be the site of any NSCM in the immediate future. Cincinnati sources have not, to date, provided any specific information concerning the location of such a meeting but have been alerted to immediately advise in the event such information becomes available.

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To all VVAW/WSO regions, chapters and contacts

Dear Erothers and Sisters,

On Thursday April 10, 1975, I resigned from WAN/USO. As an ex-regional coordinator (MOINFWAMPA region - April 1974 to April 1, 1975), I think'it's important that I let the general membership know the exact basis for my leaving. For the past three weeks I've been jotting notes on paper and writing outlines; trying my best to summarize my experience. This has been an extreamely difficula task and I don't have the time to write a complete analysis. This paper then, will deal with my reaction to what's going on, some general criticisms, and finally, what I can only speculate to be the future of VVAN/WSO. I hope that people that disagree with the content of my letter do so in an honest manner as that is the very basis for my writing. I do not want this letter to be used as a further wedge in the continuing struggle within VVAW/WSO; rather, it is my hopes that my criticisms will be looked upon as just that - criticism and not an attack. Also, you must keep in mind that I do not profess to be a great political and/or theoretical writer. Therefore, honest criticism should not concern how I say something, but what I say.

In my years term as regional coordinator I have seen much change. Since the July demonstration in Uashinston my main job was trying to hold the region . together and huild at the same time. The main factor, in my opinion, that started this alienation on the part of the membership was the booklet Puild the Anti-injerialist Veterens Movement published and distributed by the Revolutionary Union (RU). From that point to the present, this region has ell but fell apart. The Dayton chapter has been lowered to that of an organizing contact; the Cleveland chapter is on paper only; the Athens chapter is alienated and disillusioned; and finally, the Columbus chapter voted unanimously to withdraw from VVAN/NSO. Why did this happen? Tho is to blame? It is my opinion that much of the blame rests on the RU, the naitonal office of VVAV/NSO, and to a lessor extent regional leadership.

It is important to look at those months between the July demo and the St. Louis NSCM. First off, RU participatéon in this organization didn't just "fall out of the sky"! RU members didn't wake un one morning and want to join VVAW/ WSO. It had to be a conscious decision on the part of RU leadership. Although I have no way of "proving" this, it is my firm belief that this is fact. Disiplined pre-party members don't do what they want to do. Also, participation was not isolated to one area; rather, every part of the country was affected. What this now meant, that instead of individual communists in the organization (who I have learned a great deal from and still respect very much) VVAH/WSO had a block of communists with the same line. That ensued from this point on was enough to make me question the very character of this "new" organization. People were building up more hate for opposing lines and the people that put them forward than they did for the <u>cormon enemy</u>. Unity, solidarity, and fight-ing the enemy came second - first we " had to rid the organization of these incorrect lines". From the beginning I played the part of referee in this ENCLOSURE

region - even to the point of defending a cadre in this organization. I was criticized for "fence sitting". Put as note and note people left - good, honest hard working people - I started to question my role as regional leadership. It came to the point where the tone and character of the organization had changed, and I was not a part of that, nor would I be in the future.

To the RU: You always claim to be "for the masses" and for "the working class". Don't you know that many people in the organization have that very background and present day status? If so, why don't you listen to them? Are you above criticism? It seems to me that your definition of "the masses" is either; (1) anyone who agrees with you, or; (2) someone that doesn't know of you. All opposition is not part of the "masses". You're always so defensive concerning you lines - never willing to really struggle with people. You listen to your hooks - your theory, our as we all know - books don't make history, people do. And when alot of people tell you you've fucking up, listen to them. You will instantly read any criticism in a defensive manner and use your interpretation of Warxism-Leninism to not accept it. It's important that you understand exactly where reonle are at. I admire and respect your dedication and self-sacrifice; those are the qualities of a good communist. Put also, " they do not set up any sectarian principles of their own to shape and mould the proletarian movement". (Manifesto of the Communist Party) And don't you see, than's exactly way you're trying to do with WVAT/RSO. Either we're a fighting anti-imperialist veterans movement or we're nothing (or any number of other terms ranging from reformist to blood such inc. agents of the bourceoisiel). You have, is the course of this struckle, alienated alot of people. I think you've fucked up - and that is heavy political criticism

To the national office: This whole struggle was handled wrong. First the Ru booklet, and the rumors started flying. Then you hit the organization with your position paper before a national meeting and expected a yes or no with your position paper before a national meeting and expected a yes or no in six months. The rumors were still flying and they should have been handled in six months. The rumors were still flying and they should have been handled in through the national newsletter - but they were not. As to your position first, paper - true leadership would have come to the masses in the organization first, then came out with a position paper on the hasis of that sum-up. Yes - we did then came out with a position paper on the hasis of that sum-up. Yes - we did then came out work (at least it had to be defined), and priorities need a focus to our work (at least it had to be defined), and priorities should have been made - and national programs. But your position paper just should have been made - and national programs. But your position paper just should have been made - and national programs. But your position paper just should have been made - and national programs. But your position paper just should have been made - and national programs. But your position paper just should have been made - and national programs. But your position faither than the program of 
To regional leadership? In hindsight, we were guilty too. We were the ones caught in the middle. When lines were being drawn, some of us went to sides. The name calling that took place from one side also took place from the other, and that was wrong. At least for my part, it was an ignorance of how dishonest some people could be - on both sides. But we had no way of knowing that; the honest members of the organization got burnt the worst.

So why did I leave the struggle? Name calling, rumors, arrogance, elitism, dogmatism, and dis-honesty are the main factors. I felt the struggle was not really a true struggle. True struggle, to me, is a two way street with both sides meeting and honestly taking into consideration each others position. When you struggle with people, you have to be cognizant of where they are coming the composition of the composition of the composition where they are coming the composition of the compo

from and you have to be able to compromise some of your positions; to admit that maybe, just maybe, they have a point in what they're saying. When, in the course of the struggle that is point on (or has taken place) I have always been ready to admit that my position (or line) is flexible and subject to change if it can be proven (to hear out in practice) that I'm wrong. Powever, when it can be proven (to hear out in practice) that I'm wrong. Powever, when arguing with the political plants of this organization, everything is boiled arguing with the political plants of this organization, everything is boiled down to a two line struggle (that is, one line is proletarian and the other is down to a two line struggle (that is, one line is proletarian line, where does that hourseois) and you know that they have the proletarian line. I not only find have you but in the wrong and advocating the hourseois line. I not only find this insulting, but totally frustrating and I personally can't continue in this type of struggle.

As for the future of VVA"/WSO, I can only guess. If true struggle starts taking place - maybe there's hope. Fut I know that will not happen. Whit will be left is cadre trying to organize other cadre. New members will either agree with the lines or as in the mast with their region, become alienated and leave. And that's the shame of it all. What was once, in my opinion, n very good mass organization with pacifists, liberals, communists (not saying that you had to agree with any of those positions) and many others working together to defeat imperialism has become a hard line organization organizing others into defeat imperialism has become a hard line organization organizing others into that line. If you should happen to disagree with those lines.....witness the St. Louis NSCI and the line trashing that went on there. This is not to say that people should not study and formulate correct ideology - this should be a continuing process. But what has happened within this organization is a good example of "what is NOT to be done". I hope, sincerely, that people learn from the errors that were made.

Finally, in the years I have been in the organization I have learned alot. My politics and practice were advanced and I have made many good friends throughout the country - including members of the RH. I consider people still my friends and I still want to hear from everyone and will respond to anyone who writes. You have to realize that as much of my life, time, money, and energy that I put into building this organization, this was a very painful energy that I put into building this organization, this was a very painful decision to make. Again, the brunt of the blame for all of this doesn't rest on the RU - but on people. I had to leave because I could no longer deal with political vending machines.

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## Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

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SAC, BALTIMORE (100-27909)(P)

IETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION IS - VVAW/WSO BALTIMORE DIVISION

(00: Chicago)

Re Baltimore letters to the Bureau 2/12/74 and 6/17

VVAW/WSO ACTIVITIES DELAWARE AREA

This area is covered under the "Delaware-Eastern" Pennsylvania-S. New Jersey" caption in the VVAW/WSO Chapter and Regional list as of April, 1975. It is to be noted that this area does not contain any indication that there is a chapter in the State of Delaware.

The VVAW/WSO Chapter list formerly carried Street, Newark, Delaware, for a member in

On March 4, 1974, (BA 100-31207) was interviewed under SAC authority. He admitted taking part in VVAW activity in Delaware during 1971. related that there was no organizer or head of the Delaware group, which accounted for its short-lived existence and lack of support. He claimed the chapter is now defunct and had been Since early 1972. He claimed someone submitted his name to the hational headquarters in Chicago, Illinois, and he still receives Literature at Street, Newark, Belaware, even He indicated address.

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that he had no interest in the organization at this time. Since he did not qualify for inclusion on the ADEX and had no informant potential, this case was closed.

Informants located in the Delaware area have failed to develop any positive information regarding any VVAW/WSO activity in that area to date.

## II. VVAW/WSO ACTIVITIES COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND

This area is covered under the "Washington, D.C.-Maryland-Virginia" caption in the April, 1975, VVAW/WSO Chapter and Regional lists. The address for the College Park Chapter is listed as P. O. Box 35, College Park, Maryland 20740.

In September, 1974, the College Park Chapter of the VVAW/WSO held a benefit party at the home of (BA 100-32572), Road, Apt. 105, Greenbelt, Maryland, telephone number 301-552-1 The objective was to share ideas on universal unconditional amnesty, ending aid to THIEU and LON NOL, obtaining benefits for all vets, single-type discharge for all vets and crush the pardon for criminal NIXON.

On May 20, 1975, the College Park Chapter

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The Post Office Box, number 35, College Park, Maryland 20740, was reportedly registered to the VVAW since June, 1972, at the University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland.

As of May 20, 1975, CS advised that there has been no VVAW/WSO activity at the University of Maryland.

## III. VVAW/WSO ACTIVITIES BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, AREA

The VVAW/WSO Chapter and Regional lists from April, 1975, shows the Baltimore, Maryland, area chapter located at 911 Gorsuch Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21218, telephone number 301-366-5693.



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The above list also shows the address "Highway 13", 108 Washington Boulevard, Laurel, Maryland, telephone numbers 301-792-0915 and 301-366-7200.

The VVAW/WSO regional newsletter dated 7/15/74 revealed that people in the Baltimore area wishing to help re-build the Baltimore chapter of the VVAW are requested to get in touch with Avenue. Baltimore, Maryland 21218, telephone number 366-(ADEX) (Bufile 100-458708; BA 100-26681) continues to provide the leadership for the VVAW/WSO in the Baltimore area.

On April 20, 1975, CS advised that is a Revolutionary Union (RU) member for the cause of the VVAW/WSO through his membership and participation in the activities of the Military Law Project (MLP). The MLP publication "Highway 13" is headquartered at 108 Washington Boulevard, Laurel, Maryland.

The VVAW/WSO Chapter and Regional list of April, 1975, contained the following lists:

### Regional Office

Vietnam Vieterans Against the War/ Winter Soldier Organization 521-B Second Street N.E. Washington, D.C. 20002 telephone: (202) 543-0817

Washington, D.C. (no address given) telephone: (301) 522-7670

The VVAW/WSO Newsletter dated November 22, 1973, indicated that the new regional office address was 521-B Second Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20002.

The August, 1974, "Winter Soldier", publication of the VVAW/WSO also revealed that the regional office for the Maryland-Washington, D.C.-Virginia area was located at the above address.

The MLP (Bufile 100-476397; BA 100-30952) was organized in February, 1973, under the combined financial sponsorship of the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) and the Washington

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Area Military and Draft Law Panel. The MLP authorized the use of their location as an office for the VVAW/WSO; however, AFSC pressure forced the VVAW/WSO to use another location for their regional office. The AFSC is a pacifist religious group in Baltimore, Maryland.

Second Street, N.E. Washington, D.C., is the address of the bar 100-31428; WFO 100-57741).

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A VVAW/WSQ. D.C.-Marvland-Virginia Newsletter dated 7/15/74 prepared by addressed to "brothers and sisters who attended the July I-4 demonstration" expressed appreciation to the membership for participating in their national demonstration. It was regarded as a major victory in building "a mass anti-imperialist movement in this country." It is pointed out that this demonstration was only the beginning of a national campaign demanding universal unconditional amnesty, implement the agreements, end all aid to THIEU and LON NOL, single-type discharge for all vets, decent benefits for all vets and kick NIXON out. The chapters in the D.C.-Maryland-Virginia region, as well as other chapters across the country, will continue to conduct local demonstrations, discharge upgrading clinics, military counselling and other activities to build public support for the five demands. This newsletter ended up requesting all who participated in the national demonstration to build the VVAW/WSO and continue the struggle against "our common enemy - U. S. imperialism".

The VVAW/WSO sponsored the National GI Conference at Chicago, Illinois, October 11 - 14, 1974. Sources at this conference furnished a pre-printed list of participants to the conference which indicated that the MLP, 319 East 25th Street, Baltimore, Maryland, telephone (301) 366-7200, was represented by

The address 319 East 25th Street, Baltimore, Maryland, is the office of the AFSC. true name (BA 100-31519) is an employee of the AFSC on loan to the MLP and an active participant of the VVAW/WSO activities.

(BA 100-31766) is a former GI affiliated with the MLP and a current member of the VVAW/WSO.

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DIVISION and the Bureau has been advised activities.

On October 28, 1974, the VVAW/WSO sponsored a Veterans Day demonstration under the caption "War on the VA" and their objective was to build the anti-imperialist veterans movement and set forth the general demands for unconditional amnesty and other veterans benefits. The above demonstration was to take place in front of the White House and proceed to the Veterans Assistance Center in Washington, D.C. and conclude with burning of multiple discharge papers.

The March 23, 1975, VVAW/WSO Newsletter, #35, under the title of "Regional Reports", the Maryland/D.C. Region planned to hold a march and rally on March 28, 1975, in Washington, D.C. Their objective is to begin the rally at an unemployment office and proceed through the Washington community and terminate at the VA Office for another rally. Their demands will be "jobs or income for all". It was also pointed out that the Baltimore chapter had weekly picket lines in front of the VA Office to emphasize their demands. The newsletter continued that the region has had some problems with peoples' defeatist attitudes, i.e. members who expressed doubts about the mass movement. This problem has lead to the demoralization of other chapter members and these problems were discussed at regional meetings. The reasons behind these attitudes were brought out and the region has been dealing with these problems as one way to overcome past failures and move chapter work ahead.

On March 5, 1975, two VVAW/WSO members spoke at a small forum sponsored by the Revolutionary Student Brigade (RSB) at Towson State College. The members spoke about amnesty as well as the threat of imperialist war and the upcoming March 28th demonstration.

On March 26, 1975, at a meeting of the MLP held at Laurel, Maryland, advised that advised that anticipated attending the VVAW/WSO regional national meeting

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to be held in April, 1975. It was also reported that the AFSC had expressed dissatisfaction with the operation of the MLP and had discontinued any connection with the MLP publication "Highway 13" and was very much against the revolutionary tactics of

On May 17, 1975, the VVAW/WSO sponsored a demonstration at Fort Meade, Maryland, where they chanted slogans and carried placards and signs protesting U.S. involvement in Indochina and advocated GIs and veterans to unite against fighting "imperialist wars". Other VVAW/WSO chapters from New York and Chicago participated in this demonstration which numbered between 75 and 100 individuals. This demonstration was orderly and no incidents or arrests occurred.

As of May, 1975, CS advised that the AFSC has ordered the MLP to cease all operations connected with the "Highway 13" and any related activities at the MLP Center, 108 Washington Boulevard, Laurel, Maryland. An ultimatum was given that this center was to be used only for counselling purposes. All revolutionary-type literature, which was formerly on display at the center, was ordered to be removed. It was also pointed out that any VVAW/WSO activity associated with the AFSC, such as utilizing the AFSC address on 25th Street, Baltimore, Maryland, is to be discontinued.

Baltimore is aware of the fact that the VVAW/WSO in the Baltimore Division is strongly influenced and controlled who is an active member of the RU. has, in the past, held Marxist-Leninist study classes which are not in progress at this time. has criticized the objectives of the CPUSA and has expressed the Marxist-Leninist teachings more in line with the Maoist approach.

Investigation of the VVAW/WSO will continue in the Baltimore Division in order to determine whether any federal statutes are being violated on the part of individual members and supporters. If these individuals do not qualify for continued investigation, these cases will be closed and FBIHQ will be notified.

The Baltimore Office will continue to maintain adequate coverage of the activities of the VVAW/WSO and ascertain its control by other activist revolutionary groups such as the RU and also its direction and control by the National Collective of the VVAW/WSO at Chicago, Illinois.



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Two copies of the communication are being furnished to Chicago inasmuch as their office is 00 in this matter.

An information copy is being furnished to Washington Field in view of inter-activity of VVAW members from Washington, D.C. with the VVAW in the Baltimore and surrounding area.

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## SOME OF US CAN'T RETURN HOME AGAIN THIS YEAR



### BY JEREL OLSEN

History will cell it the War Without an End. Even today the war in Indochina goes on two years after the signing of the so-called Cease-lire Agreement in Paris during I sunary, 1973. One overriding reason makes possible the continuation of the war: an unending supply of United States dollars, equipment, and the minds behind them. During Fiscal Year 1974 alone, the war of the "cease-fire", we supplied more than \$3.2 billion to the pupper Thieu and his regime. This figure equalled \$6.3% of the budget of South Vietnam. (U.S. foreign aid for the rest of the world combined was \$3.542 billion for the same period.) The present administration has requested \$3.78 billion for Indochina during Fiscal Year 1975.

The vest susjectly of money and equipment we supply goes directly into President Thieu's army as well as his personilitaristic police force and its notortous prison system. The police force tiself has multiplied twelvest prison system. The police force tiself has multiplied twelvest present in the last ten years and its infermous for its raids upon ususspecting, innocent citizens and visiting foreigners alike. Much of the miney allocated for their operations is channelled juto a central records system containing more than eleven million bio-data documents and dossiers on private Vietnamese. A substantial portion of money is used to build and maintain the "tiger cage" prison cells, a number of which are located on Con Son Island off the Southern coast of Vietnam in addition to the perpetration of other outright methods of torture which are infilicted upon more than 200,000 political prisoners and other citizens.

Official Saigm governmental figures for military killed or wounded (South Vistnamme and enemy) between the socalled crace-fire (Januery, 1973) and September, 1974 totalled 304.297—a figure considered low-by most raliable authorities. According to a January 27, 1974 report by the Senate Subcommittee on Refugoes, 43,166 cioffass were admitted to hospitals in South Vietnam during the first year after the "oease-fire", with estimates on actual deed or ounded reaching a total of 90,000. Staff sources of that becommittee predicted "much higher figures this year."

By the same token we provide significant aid to the it itarism of the Lon Nol government which is presently in power in Cambodia. As one illustration of the use of our tax dol are there, 20% of the so-called Peace allocations for that country goes into governmental sepression of the people. The ver in that country cost U.S. taxpayers \$419.1 million during Fixed Year 1974. \$6.41 million has been requested for Fixed Year 1975.

Clearly the political primeers in Vietnam, incarcerated in blatent violation of the puece accords, must be released. Free elections must be held. All amintance to the South Vietnamers and Cambodian governments must onese immediately. Even the best of the "humanitarian" programs, the Food for Peace program already mentioned, has been turned against the citizens of both countries. In South Vietnam nearly one-hundred persons of these appropriations are turned into revenue for militaristic repression.

The true effect and purpose of our "aid" programs to Indochina become lucid when we look for a moment at the statistics. Of the total resources of Food for Peace in final 1974, 49% went to Indochina; that is, to less then 1% of the total world population. In addition to this and other momentary anistance we also provide trained men and women to oversee the operations of the program. Of the nearly \$,000 United States personnal our government exhaustering to have supplied, approximately 80% are in a military capacity (UPI, June 12, 1974). Meanwhile some 350,001 soldiers have died, not to mention counties numbers of civiliums wounded, made refuges, or killed since the signing of the peace agreements. The time soon will come when we must pay our war debt to a people whose country-side we have ravaged for more than a decade. The shameful sid we currently provide betrays our very intentions of peace.

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The time soon with some whom we must pay our wir dest to a people whose country side we have ranged formore than I decade.

But while the war is still very real for the Indoch of it is also as real for many Americans. It is real for the eran who lives with nightmares of attraction experience. It is now anted, unjustified, and immoral war shousands of a less away from home, for the returned POW, and for the individual in nord of amnesty.

President Ford has suggested that "certical re-entry" Arcertain categories of war resisters be implemented in planed a true annesty. In effect then, the offer he makes is one of "forgiveness" to but a limited murber of those in need of amnesty: that is to say in return for pur-trive national servinds. This kind of amnesty is unless unless the reference' is directed toward the real eximinals to what has been clear needscaled or a former American experizate as

"a war that him wever been declared, that has filled to enumble with the Genera conventions, that has destroyed and obliterated a peasant vacciu, (and) that has helped in turn to create further ecological vash on a global scale."

Currently available statistics show unquestionably that the presidential program is a failure. The need for true amnesty is apparent. In response to the "earned re-entry" plan, the movement for amnesty and draft/military counseling stablished the Clemency Information Center in the United States and the War Besister Information Program (WRIP) in Cenada. The meet recent statistics from WRIP tow that of the britial 5,000 calls from the celle community which comprises approximately 10% of the war resisters), and the base opened for the presidential program to date. The predicted participation level through January is 5% of those covered by the proclamation, which is but a limited number for whom the amnesty movement week instice.

"Earned re-entry" is, for most of those affected, far more punitive than other option, still available to them. For example, many military relaters can elect to return to military jurisdiction and he discharged "for the good of the The provid receive a discrediting ducharge paper -though not as discrediting as the 'Clemenry Discharge' given those who complete the posiciential program-but would not be respured to submit to "alternate service", a requirement of that program. Many draft resisters erroreonely twileve they presently are being sought when that is not the case. (Since 1963, 209,000 men were told by their local (druft) Boards that they were delinquent. Many went into hiding, though only III,00% were indicted. And twothirds of these men either were assuitted or had the cases dismirted. Many were never notified of this!) Even those judged gullry in a rount of law often have a better avenue than "earned re-entry" in that sentences in certain judicial districts are requiring a limited period of probation, with or

without "alternate service". Essentially, the only men end women who might to some degree "benefit" from the presidential program are those now incarcerated in civilian and infinary confines. Some of these having, or soon receiving, as yet unfulfilled lengthy terms of sentence have a choice between several years in confinement and two years of "alternate service" under the new program.

Under the president's proclamation and subsequent directives, men must agree that their actions were wrong, welve-certain rights under Amendments to the Constitution, reaffirm their allegance to the United States and, they must agree to whatever "alternative service" the government may impose, generally for a period of twenty-four menths, though in some cases this period is reduced, (Lawtoits are challenging many of the most objectionable aspects of "sarned re-entry.") The work assignments by law must be low paying, in the "national health, safety or interest", and must be without conflict to the competitive for market. Virtually indentical provisions for conscientious objectors under control of the Selective Service System (the same agency administering the "alternate service" aspects of the conditional clemency program) placed 40% of their assigness as orderlies in hospitals. Others were ordered into ecology work camps in California or into other jobs rejected



by the general public. Now during the current recenture, even these types of jobs are unavailable to the men and women involved. Of the first thousand tren processed toward such assignments by the government, approximately one-half were already in confinement and chose "earnest re-entry" shead of incarcoration.



"Figure t count," is a failure. Forther participation must be halted. From government of cardydation of figures will not says the most. When the government provided its set of figures in the first 1989 overchis some store of processing, they nephered to point out that this figure was escentially that at most who so rede character. Most of them have of indicated faither integest to date. Granting even the foreigness of potential participants suggested for the government, comprised of a handful of the 206,000 men per year acknowledged in the Sejective physical conditional characteristics in the second modifical colors are not most the necessity of as with the dust, the process and observed. With

figure show that 80% of those calling will categorically no discapt their lives for two years. Their intent is to solely be observed the States from time to time for the purpose of visiting with relatives and ettending various family and historic functions.

But for the partion of the war suctions who are living notated of the United States, coturn in a number of cases will be impossible if a true amnesty is not effected soon. Some already are exinded forever, regardless of the merits of the case the government has against them. Section 312 of the immigration and Nationality Act provides for the permanent exclusion of anyone who becomes an alieu and who has been sought by the government for draft or military related offenses. Thus, for men who felt compelled to asket the advantages of foreign citizenship over the limbo of "alien realdent", in their new homes, they may be barred forever from living in the United States, regardless of the fast that in some cases the government could over wis litteration against them! An amnesty new would easier men in analogs choices affecting the rest of their lives. Further, an amounty should be written to apply retroactively to those previously compelled to accept new citizenship. It is past time to truly and effectively resolve—through a just amnesty—punishment of all who resixt the Indochina War.

This war is unjustifiable by American or International Law and unauthorized by the American people. If we must speak of criminality and punishment, perhaps we should speak of the executives and stockholders who encouraged and profit from the war, and the war hawks who paved the way the those profits.

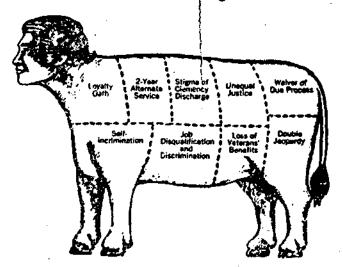
While necessary ranged to taken to mean forgiveness when we speak of those opposed to an immorst war, neither should no second the literal translation of its Greek real, manacto which is met remembering", or forgetting. The only thing to be forgettes bero is the punishment of those described by Senator Edward Kromedy as "those who are things we now see, but saw then some and did the only thing the could."

The hysons of the ent, on the other hand, must be remembered suther than forpotten, or as not to repeat its members horsests businests, follows a discussion of the rightness and wrongues of that war as Kennedy observed. In retraction to my discussion of the rightness and wrongues of the halo blood War is settled; the fulfilty and destructive ness of a density of struggle, \$5,000 Amorican lives, and onto be semilers of fives from other nations is unchallenge-

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So mud fresh and b cod we sacrificed in Vietnam. Do we really need to sacrifice another pound of fiesh?



Amnesty has precedent, despite former President flichard Nixon's statements to the contrary at a press conference during 1973

"If, at the end of the war, we broke every precedent that this country has hail, this will be the first time that amnesty was provided. If we did that, we could not have a visible furce in the future."

This statement is histantly misicurling. Article II, section 2 of the Constitution, providing for "Reprieves and Parchoss for Offenses against the United States—except. In the case of impearlment," has been invoked 30 times by chief executives. It was first used by President Washington as early as 1705 following the Whiskey Rebellion. An interesting twist was provided by President Jackson subscruent to the War of 1812, when the above was conditioned upon the stipulation that amnested individuals never again culist in the military! That is one provise most potential present-day recipients of annests would accept.

In addition to these executive amounties, seven acts of Congress may be placed under the eargory of annesty, including the Universal Annesty Act of 1878 which provided unconditional annesty for all remaining rebels of the "dist War. In no case was America weakened as a "viable force", as shown by our procurement of bodies to fight in every war in U.S. history (including Vietnam) after every act of amounts to relemency. We might even stretch the definition of amounts for a moment and point to our aid and "ainnesty", as at were, to enemies after every war in history.

If we can amnesty former enemies, can we not provide this same measure to our own children and friends? It should be noted too, that Australia provided unconditional amnesty to its draft resisters after removing its troops from Vietnam.

Amnesty is reerded by hundreds of thousands of women and men. Some are in exile, most are in this country. Some are in prisons, some are underground, some are yet to have their cases toolated and prosecuted by the Justice Department. Some already have paid legal penalties but continue to pay weisil penalties, employment rejections not being the least of these. Such rejections and other penalties (in some states oven refusal of driver's licenses) are the result of felony convictions and less-than-bonorable discharges resulting from opposition to the war. Still other herdships may result ouvertly from have unforcement agency files about those whiprotested our involvement in Indochina. Those who have suffered punishment or barrasament, or may suffer such in the future, live next door, may even be members of our own families.

The "crimit" involved vary in nature. Some individuals said, "No" to an inequitable and morally damnable draft. Others said, "No" to a military unsympathetic to necessary changes while seeking campaigns to justify more money and time for an already ourrageously large and coatly death-machine. Still others voiced their opposition to the war and its agencies through acts of civil disobendience—retistance to war taxation and the destruction of draft records to mention only two.

A just amnesty is a universal amnesty, encompassing all of the categories cultured above. It is unreasonable and unfair

to attempt to differentiate assign them. An act of protest to an immural and filegal was it precisely that, regardless of its point in time or the midness of its attraction. The attractdinary telents of all if these women and men must be regained by our society.

At the same time, a just amnesty must be unconditional. War objectors are not criminals. Any punitive action implies guitt on their part. Resisters make it clear that they will not accept punitive "strings" attached to amnesty. The kind of conditional "re-entry" program suggested by President Ford is of no practical value.

Some commentators and legislators suggest a case-by-case review for war resisters. If psychology has taught, as anything in recent years, it is that human beings are domples, their actions generally being predicated upon a myriad of often inseparable motives. How does one draw the line between those to be amnested and those not to be? And if one attempts to do so, does this not add yet another awards are to the long list of others for the white, middle-class individual?

Draft resisters—those who avoid the draft before induction—are overwhelmingly white and middle-class, whereas military resisters—those who wake up to the facts of life about the military and the war after they entits or have been inducted—are frequently poor and/or Black.

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The white and middle-class have had all the advantages. Better educated, they are better equipped to express their claims for deferment, exemption, and conscientious objection to their draft boards. In college and with their status in society they have more access to information on how legally to avoid induction. Once in the military, because of their education and "pull", they have more access to the means of avoiding Vietnam duty, or find themselves in safer roles behind desks or in the higher ranks.

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On the other hand, many members of minority groups have seen the military as a way out of their social situation. It is only in the armed forces that they first discover the reality of the war and military life. They learn, too, that the military is one job in our society they cannot quit. Some attempt to obtain legal discharges, which are few and difficult to secure. Others find no recome but to either confront directly with overt action the system in which they, find themselves, or to simply walk away.

Beview heards serve to perpetrate this class discrimination. But even were this not the case, review hoards are unrealistic. A true amnesty affects hundreds of thousands of women and men. Financially and temporarily, any but cursar, review boards for all resisters are an impossibility. The review board established by President Harry Truman after World War II required a year to make a cursory



examination of 16,000 result. Thus, easy 12 to detect dones. Again, 4t was those who were best able to division their views (mortly educated middle-class whites) who besetted.

American tradition demands that one be judged by one's peers. Who would judge those who, at great personal searfflow, resisted an imporal war? It would be should be upgest that these be the same pragmatic individuals who originally condemned the runistees by perposenting the war.

Promises for broad and non-puntive amnesty legislation to be submitted to the newly elected Congress afreedy have been made by Sension Philip Mart (D-Mich.), Congressionan Ronald Delium: (D-Calif.), and Congressionan Belia Absug (D-N.Y.). Congressional addes are currently lesing assisted by several amnesty advocates. For the first time optimism can be expressed for Vietnam-era amnesty. The current Congress—the second youngest in American Microry—is expressing large-leafs oillings toward the despetiting and thoroughly unsuccessful carried re-entry program. Many members of Congress, behind closed doors, now indicate a dealer to support strong numesty magnetic first they can be assured that resemp polis are in fact advers in showing that their constituents are pro-amnesty. The legislation without reservation, continuing a clear and strong transity without reservation, continuing a clear and strong transity toward a clear majority. The line have well better to majority.

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The Dade County, Florida Vietnam Veterans Against The War, (name changed to Vietnam Veterans Against The War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) in 1973, to include non-veterans as members) was an affiliate of the National VVAW/WSO and became defunct in early 1975.

The National VVAW/WSO, currently Marxist-Leninist-Mao oriented, voted at the December, 1974, National Steering Committee Meetings to align VVAW/WSO with the Revolutionary Union, which organization follows a strict Maoist line designed to bring about violent revolution in the United States.

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RE FBIHQ TELEPHONE CALL, JUNE 5, 1975.

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SOURCES AVAILABLE TO CHICAGO HAVE NOT REPORTED ANY INFORMATION RE INSTANT MATTER IN THIS AREA BY VVAW/WSO, NOR HAS CHICAGO RECEIVED ANY INDICATION THIS TYPE ACTIVITY WAS CARRIED OUT BY VVAW/WSO IN OTHER AREAS.

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Gentlemen:

I am enclosing correspondence which I received regarding alleged harassment directed at the Vietnam Veterans Against the War and Winter Soldier Organization, Inc., by the FBI and the IRS.

Sincerely.

I would appreciate a response from the agencies on this matter.

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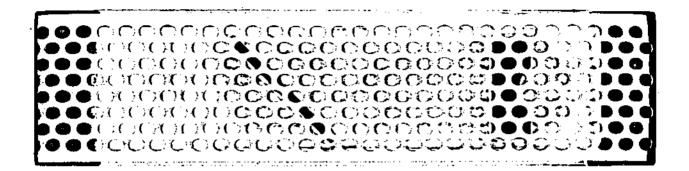
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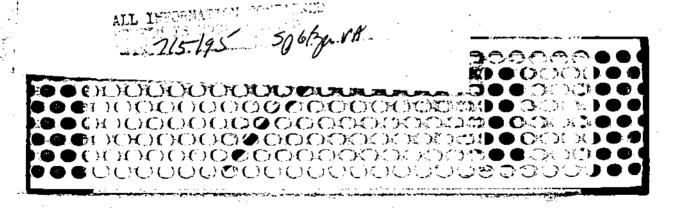
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Winterport Maine 04496 April 30, 1975

Senator William D. Hathaway United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Hathaway:

I enclose a copy of a communication from Vietnam Veterans Against the War and Winter Soldier Organization, Inc., asking for funds to protect themselves from the United States Government, specifically from the F.B.I. and the I.R.S.

So long as there was a Vietnam War, of which and and I were long-standing opponents, we occasionally, as we could, threw such organizations a small check.

What we would like to know now is whether there is substance behind the charges in this "Instagram." If so, we believe we would help them.

If those government bureaus are indeed harassing members of the above-mentioned organizations, what rationalization exists for their acts, and is the rationalization Constitutionally and morally defensible?

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Some inquiries from your office might well be worth more to those veterans than our modest check.



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Mr. J. A. Mintz - (Attn Moore, Jr. - Mr. D. Wannall Mr. W. Mr. Mr. Hr 67C June 5, 1975 Honorable William D. Hathaway United States Senate Washington, D. C. Dear Senator Eathaway: Your letter (with enclosures) of May 6, 1975, to the Office of Legislative Affairs, United States Department of Justice, regarding alleged barassment of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Seldier Organization (YVAY/WSO) by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, was received and referred to this Bureau for the requested response. You may be interested to know that the YVAY/WSO is-currently under investigation by this Bureau based on Sinformation that its activities could involve violations of Federal statutes. This investigation is directed toward the gathering of material pertinent to a determination as to whether or not the VVAV/WSO has violated or is engaged in activities which may result in a violation of Federal statutes, and at no time has the Federal Bureau of "Investigation engaged in harassment of this organization. Inasmuch as this is an engoing investigation. would be inappropriate to go into further detail. Sincerely yours, W. Kellek **Assistant** Attorney General Office of Legislative Affair Dep. AD Adm. \_CNL: bmf SEE NOTE PAGE TWO est. Dire MAILED 7 LL INFORMATION CONTAINEL JUN 6 1975 BREIN, IS, UNCLASSIFIED, W GPO 954-546 TELETYPE UNIT

Honorable William D. Hathaway

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wrote Senator
Hathaway 4/30/75 and suggested inquiries into such alleged
harassment of this veterans organization. Senator Hathaway,
intturn, directed letter dated 5/6/75 to Office of
Legislative Affairs of Department requesting response
regarding alleged harassment.

Outgoing letter is being sent directly to Senator Hathaway since Department, in transmitting incoming correspondence from the Senator to FBI for handling, indicated that Bureau reply should be over Director's signature. Original incoming correspondence is being returned to Department as enclosures to their copy of outgoing. Intelligence Division has coordinated this matter with Congressional Services Office, Legal Counsel Division. FRIHO files contain no information identifiable with Winterport, Maine.

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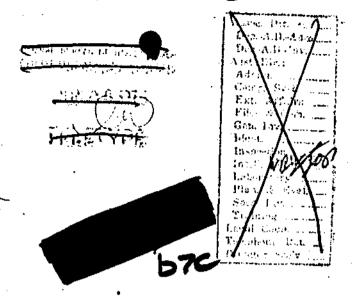
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> RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 3, 1975, that a meeting of the Michigan-Ohio-Northern Kentucky-West Virginia-Western Pennsylvania Region of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO)(See Appendix) was held in Detroit, Michigan, on May 31, 1975. The meeting was held in office type space in the office of the "Peoples Voice". Source understands the "Peoples Voice" to be an anti-establishment represented at this publication. The only regional meeting were There were

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several of whom wandered in and bersons, from out of the 2-day meeting at intervals. The two leading figures at the meeting were (last name unknown) who is a self-described member or the Revolutionary Union (RU) (See Appendix). The second is believed to be a person who immigrated from France several years ago. Also playing a leading role was one (last name unknown) who is believed to be a leader of the VVAW/WSO in Detroit. The 2-day session concerned itself almost exclusively with the fact that the region has lost most of its active chapters which have disaffiliated themselves because of a disagreement with the National Office of the VVAW<u>/WSO in</u> its posture of subservience to the RU. The chapters affirmed their allegiance to

National office of the VVAW/WSO. It was noted that

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several of the cities within the region, while they do not have active chapters, have "contact people" whom the region is hopeful of using to bring the various chapters back into the organization. Specifically mentioned in that regard were the cities of Cleveland, Ohio; Akron, Ohio; Columbus, Ohio; and St. Louis, Missouri. It was noted that the Detroit chapter has recently sponsored demonstrations, but appeared to the source that the activities of the Detroit chapter is somewhat submerged because of continuing disputes with organizations such as the October League (OL) (See Appendix) and the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) (See Appendix).

It was stated at the above meeting that the next National Steering Committee meeting of the VVAW/WSO will be held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for a 5-day period commencing July 3, 1975.

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

The VVAW, formed in 1967 by Vietnam veterans to protest U. S. Involvement in the war in Southeast Asia (changed name to VVAW/WSO in 1973 to include non-veterans as members), has sponsored numerous anti-government demonstrations, some resulting in violence. The VVAW/WSO National Office (NO) and some key chapters are infiltrated and influenced by the militant Revolutionary Union (RU) organization, and VVAW/WSO leaders have told members that VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary organization, not "just another group of war veterans." The current Marxist-Leninist-Maoist oriented NO, which promotes education of the membership in Marxist-Leninist-Maoist doctrine and directs the organization into political growth along the same lines, has at VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meetings (NSCM), in 1974 portrayed VVAW/WSO as a mass antiimperialist organization and a vanguard of the revolution eventually created by the masses.

VVAW/WSO leaders voted at the 12/74 NSCM to align VVAW/WSO with the RU, which organization follows a strict Maoist line designated to bring about violent revolution in the U.S.

### REVOLUTIONARY UNION

The Revolutionary Union (RU), founded in early **1968 in the San Francisco Bay area, is a militant semi**covert Marxist-Leninist revolutionary organization ideologically oriented towards the People's Republic of China and the teachings of Chairman MAO Tse-tung. objectives as set forth in its theoretical publication, "The Red Papers," and in its monthly newspaper, "Revolution," 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 United States Government by force and violence. Members of the RU have been identified as collecting weapons while engaging in firearms and guerrilla warfare training. As of July, 1974, RU national headquarters was located in Maywood, Illinois.

### OCTOBER LEAGUE

The October League (OL) was founded in 1969 in Los Angeles, California, and in May, 1972, merged with the Georgia Communist League, a small Marxist-Leninist organization, having the same goals as the OL. The OL's published "Statement of Political Unity of the Georgia Communist League (M-L) and the October League (M-L)" dated May, 1972, states the union of the two organizations was effected to construct "a new communist party in the United States based on the guiding principles of the revolutionary theory of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought." The statement also continues "---the only way that Socialism can be established in the U.S. is through military insurrection, the smashing of the bourgeois state by the armed force of the masses and its replacement by a new proletarian state based on an army of the workers. This is a universal principal of Marxims-Leninism."

The October League maintains its National Headquarters in Los Angeles and currently has chapters located in 13 cities in the United States. Various OL leaders have been known to visit the People's Republic of China.

#### YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

The Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) is the youth group of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP). It was formed in October, 1957, and is currently headquartered in New York City. It propagandizes the beliefs of the SWP among the youth and is the main source of recruitment into the SWP. The SWP is a revolutionary, Trotskyist-communist organization which has as its purpose the overthrow of the U.S. Government and the institution of a dictatorship of the working class and the eventual achievement of a communist society.

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### AT MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO

Will continue to follow and report activities of

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Title

THE COVERED WAGON (TCW)

(GI COFFEE HOUSE)

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

In 9/74 started chapter of VVAW/WSO at Mountain Home, Idano, in connection with the Covered Wagon. U. S. Government records show passport issued to 2/7/72. No record of passport issued to and other members from the 10/74, covered Wagon participated in a National GI Conference sponsored by the VVAW/WSO at Chicago, Illinois. 11/1/74, 25th issue of "The Helping Hand," a GI underground newspaper published by The Covered Wagon, was distributed at Mountain Home AFB. 11/5/74, persons from Salt Lake City, Utah, chapter of VVAW/WSO met at The Covered Wagon for discussion with from The Covered Wagon others. and attended VVAW/WSO Mational Steering Committee meeting in St. Louis. Missouri, 12/26-31/74. On 1/6/75. left Mountain Home to join Organization committee for the Fifth Estate (OCFE) in Massachusetts. In recent months The Covered Wagon has been almost completely without leadership and as of 5/19/75, no demonstrations or other activities have been planned.

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Classified by 142 Exempt from GDS Category 1 & 2 Date of Declassification Indefinite

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DETAILS:

This investigation is based on information which indicates that captioned organization is closely aligned with the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), and is engaged in activities which could involve violations of Title 18, Section 2383 (rebellion or insurrection), Section 2384 (seditious conspiracy), Section 2385 (advocating overthrow of the Government), Section 2387 (sedition), and Section 793 (espionage), U. S. Code.

The V/AW/WSO was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam Veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. Since that time, the VVAW/WSC leaders have told members that the VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary group, not "just another group of war veterans." Also, the membership has been told the VVAW/WSO has been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations, including Communists and Maoists groups. Additionally, it was indicated that "anti-imperialist groups" consider the VVAW/WSO a potent group of similar stature in the United States.

In April, 1973, the group changed their name to the VVAW/WSO so that non-veterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninists oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninists doctrines.

VVAW/WSO is currently headquartered in Chicago, Illinois.

The Covered Wagon (TCW) is a GI Coffee House founded in 1971 by MARK LANE, a noted anti-war activist and has been the focal point of all anti-war, anti-Government demonstrations in the Boise and Mountain Home, Idaho, areas. Members of The Covered Wagon have been aligned with the national VVAW/WSO movement and some members have assumed leadership roles in that organization. Recently, members of TCW have been purchasing copies of "The Anarchist Cook Book," a book giving detailed directions on making explosive devices and weapons as well as directions on how to plant explosives for maximum effectiveness.

Source advised that the state of the started a chapter of the VVAW/WSO in Mountain Home, Idaho, in connection with TCW. Source stated that persons at TCW are again joining the VVAW/WSO and their present membership is approximately 15.

MEASER OF SUBJECT CREAMERATION

September 17, 1974

On September 20, 1974, Private First Class reviewed U. S. Government records which disclosed the following information:

was issued passport
on February 5, 1972, at Seattle, Washington, by application
dated February 7, 1972, at Boise, Idaho. This passport is valid
for five years travel to all countries except Cuba, North Korea,
and North Vietnam. In his application, at Buffalo, New York, and gave
his permanent and mailing address as P. O. Box 729, Mountain
Home, Idaho, 83647, telephone number 208-587-9950. (It is
noted that this is the address and telephone number for TCW.)
At the time of the application. gave his Social

It is pointed out that under current Government regulations a passport may be used by the bearer for lawful travel within a period of its validity whenever and as often as desired without further notification to the Department of State or other Government agencies.

On the same date, caused a search to be made of Government records relative to the same and ever applied for a passport.

970 976 Source advised that of TCW, is presently unemployed and attending Boise State College but still residing by the IrCW at Mountain Home, Idaho.

Boise State College of the IrCW at Mountain Home, Idaho.

Source advised that diligently to have TCW meeting nouse which was destroyed by fire in November, 1973, rebuilt prior to the winter. Source further advised that

TCW, are trying to reform a VVAW/WSO chapter at TCW under the leadership of this group. Source further stated persons buying copies of the marchist cook Book" and whether persons buying this book could be prone to violence.

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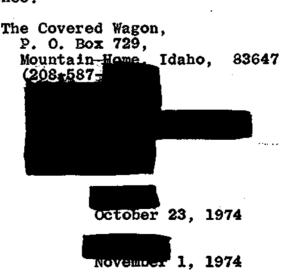
MEMBER OF BULLETT GREEN BELLON

Source advised that regional coordinator for the VVAW/WSO for the Idaho wontana Region, recently received a Metter from the latter fact the National VVAW/WSO organization headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. In this letter made reference to the fact that she had received a couple of letters from the latter in Mountain Home, Idaho, and that he was interested in getting a VVAW/WSO chapter going again in Idaho.

Source further advised that the way has been working with the connection with TCW and that both have been working with the way who still leads The Covered Wagon in attempting to re-build TCM and up the membership once more.

October 15, 1974

Sources advised that a National GI Conference (NGIC) sponsored by the VVAW/WSO was held at the YMCA, 826 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, during the period of October 11, through October 14, 1974. The following were listed as participants in that conference:

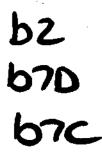


Source advised that the VVAW/WSO initiated the NGIC in the interest of beginning an effort to build a fighting anti-imperialist movement in the United States military.

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November 1, 1974

Source advised that the following persons were personally observed at the conference of the NGIC:

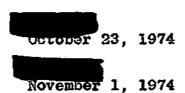


The above are all from TCW, Mountain Home.



Sources advised that the NGIC was not open to the public and that the various groups were asked to attend by invitation only. They stated the purpose of the NGIC was to consolidate efforts of similar thinking organizations in order to develop a program that all GI-type organizations could relate to.

The VVAW/WSO proposed that the NGIC adopt a unified program proposal for GI work around a minimum goal Armed Forces Day, 1975. Armod Forces Day was referred to as being "one of the few times of the year when widespread efforts were made to mobilize GIs toward certain very basic or general goals." The proposal included a plan that local and regional actions/demonstrations could take place at or near U. S. Military installations around the work on Armed Forces Day, May 16, 1975.



Source advised that on November 1, 1974, copies of "The Helping Hand," a GI underground newspaper published by TCW were found at various locations on Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho. This was the 25th issue of the newspaper, listed as Volume 4, Number 1. The paper appeared to be professionally printed and consisted of 12 pages, 11½" by 14½". This edition

was markedly shorter than previous issues which was 20 pages in length on May 23, 1974.

November 1, 1974

670 670 Source advised on November 2, 1974, a group of approximately 25 persons calling themselves the Salt Lake Chapter of the VVAW/WSO were at TCW for discussions with others.

November 5, 1974

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Source advised that the who attended the NGIC in October, 1974, in Chicago, Illinois, is a recently discharged WAF from Mountain Home Air Force Base who is presently residing at TCW.

December 4, 1974

from TCW St. Louis, Missouri for the National VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee meeting on December 26 - 31, 1974.

Source further stated that name appeared on the mailing list for the VVAW/WSO chapter in September, 1974, and that this caused some dissention at TCW so that the mailing list has been changed and now reads VVAW/WSO, in care of TCW, Mountain Home, Idaho.

Source advised that the state of a less working with on construction of a new meeting place on the site of the old TCW which was burned down in November, 1973. They are prefabricating portions of walls for the building and are going to use a foundation of wood logs sunk into the ground.

Source further advised that he has heard no more information about the VVAW/WSO chapter members from Salt Lake City, Utah, who came to TCW in November, 1974, for a meeting with TCW members.

December 23, 1974

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Source advised that attended the National Steering Committee meeting for the VVAW/WSO held in St. Louis, Missouri, December 27-31, 1974.

Source advised that both appeared to be Maoist and sided with the Maoist groups in discussions involving whether the VVAW/WSO should move along Maoist or traditional Marxist-Leninist lines.

Source advised that and left TCW on January 6, 1975, to work with and called Organization Committee for the Fifth Estate (OCFE).

Source believed that will be somewhere in the boston, massachusetts, area.

January 7, 1975

Source advised that TCW does not have an actual leader in the absence of the source and the membership seems to be somewhat at the source of t

January 28, 1975

Source advised that the state of and continue to be at odds with other members of TCW and that they are the only ones who appear to be taking a leadership position. The other members have a dislike for them so that the organization appears to be at a complete standstill.

February 17, 1975

Source advised that and talked with many members there. He advised TCW is presently completely without leadership as they did not even come up with a token demonstration for the Mountain Home Air Force Base open house which was held on March 9, 1975. Source further advised that the construction of the new meeting place on the

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grounds of TCW to replace the one that was burned down in the fire of November, 1973, has completely ceased. The old site has been cleared; however, no new construction has been started.

Source advised that
that he has no longer any interest
in the vanues and was presently disenchanted with TCW. Source
advised that criticized and repeatedly.
Source advised that
"Anarchist took Book

that to enhance his position in the TCW at the time.

Source advised that the state of the considered by many persons of TCW to be "stupid" and that the state of t

March 24, 1975

Source advised TCW appears now as little more than a property investment of the sas very few people use the building and that the only time he has been able to contact any persons at TCW have been source advised that on the convergation which was approximately the talked to the advised him that the mountain nome Police Department and the Air Force Office of Special Investigations (OSI) had "raided" the building of TCW searching for stolen Government checks belonging to the department and the new issues of "The Helping Hand," the publication of TCW.

April 28, 1975

Source advised that
and persons there advised some
nossibility of a return to TCW by or possibly
Source stated he could not determine the source of test

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rumors and that the persons who gave him this information were not normally in a position to get such information in advance.

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May 19, 1975

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6-17-75

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FROM

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SUBJECT:

DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY THE VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, HELD AT FORT MEADE, MARYLAND

5-17-75

IS - VVAW/WSO OO: Baltimore

Re WFO nitel, 5-13-75; Baltimore nitels, 5-15-75, and 5-17-75; and New York nitel, 5-15-75, all concerning the captioned demonstration.

1 67C on 5-17-75, the captioned demonstration was held at Fort Meade, Maryland, between 12:00 noon-and 2:15 p.m., which was observed by Special Agents and The group representing the vietnam veterans Against the war/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) chanted slogans and carried plaques regarding anti-U. S. intervension in Indochina, as well as complaints against the military handling of personnel. Approximately 75 to 100 individuals took part in this demonstration, which assembled in front of Fort Liquors across from the military post. At approximately 2:00 p.m., the group marched to the entrance of Fort Meade; however, their entrance was blocked by the Military Police and no demonstrators made any attempt to enter the post. No incidents or arrests were noted and the group disbanded at 2:15 p.m.

The following out of state license tags were noted in the area:

Pennsylvania:

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62 670 676 For the information of the Chicago and New York offices, advised advised and and in attendance at this demonstration from the national office at Chicago. It was further noted that a group of demonstrators carried a banner reflecting the name "VVAW/WSO New York City." The identities of individuals from the New York Division were not readily known.

### LEADS:

### ALBANY, PHILADELPHIA, RICHMOND, SPRINGFIELD, WFO

The designated offices are requested to determine the registration information concerning the above-listed license numbers for individuals residing in their respective states and furnish results to Baltimore.

### CHICAGO AND NEW YORK (INFORMATION)

This communication is being furnished to Chicago and New York for information purposes.

The Baltimore Division will determine the registration information concerning vehicles bearing Maryland license tags observed at this demonstration.

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TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

6/17/75

SAC, NEWARK (100-53565) (P)

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) INTERNAL SECURITY (00:CG)

Newark letter and LHM dated 12/18/74.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM. Enclosed also are two copies of LHM for Chicago.

The enclosed LHM is classified "confidential" to protect the identities of the four sources.

is the employee of the FBI who caused the Corporate Records, Secretary of State, Trenton, New Jersey, to be reviewed on 6/4/75.

The following is a listing of the individuals mentioned in this report who are not listed in the ADEX nor are they informants or sources:

Name

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Yes OT ORGANIZATION MEMBER OF SUB Yes

Above individuals are characterized in LHM.

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### **INFORMANTS**

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AT JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY: Will follow and report activities of VVAW/WSO.

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### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to Füle No.

Newark, New Jersey June 17, 1975

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

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) (see appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve violations of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of the Government), 2387 (Sedition), and 793 (Espionage).

#### I. ORGANIZATION

### A. INCORPORATION

On June 4, 1975, an employee of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) caused the Corporate Records, Secretary of State, Trenton, New Jersey, to be reviewed to determine if the VVAW/WSO had become incorporated in the State of New Jersey,

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Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

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

with negative results.

### B. LOCATION

Source one advised on January 14, 1975, that the VVAW/WSO in New Jersey, has no known headquarters in New Jersey; however, the residence of Avenue, top floor, Jersey City, New Jersey, is used for the group's meetings.

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Source one advised on January 14, 1975, that is a leader of the VVAW/WSO in New Jersey.

### II. AIMS AND PURPOSES

On May 2, 1975, a second source advised that the VVAW/WSO group in New Jersey, has not rejected Marxism-Leninism and definitely supports the VVAW/WSO national office which is Marxist-Leninist-Maoist oriented.

### III. MEMBERSHIP

On May 2, 1975, a second source advised that the VVAW/WSO which meets in Jersey City, New Jersey, has no official membership.

### IV. ACTIVITIES

On June 26, 1974, a third source advised that VVAW/WSO met at the Jersey City State College, Jersey City, New Jersey, on June 22, 1974, to announce to a group of approximately 37 persons the future plans of the VVAW/WSO, which will conclude demonstrations at the Veterans Administration, Newark, New Jersey.

On July 8, 1974, a fourth source advised that two buses from Newark, New Jersey, with about 90-100 passengers, departed on July 4, 1974, to attend the VVAW/WSO demonstration at Washington, D.C.

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

On August 20, 1974, source one advised that a small group of VVAW/WSO members passed out leaflets at Shea Stadium in New York City, New York, on August 19, 1974.

On August 19, 1974, source four advised that were arrested at the August 19, 1974, VVAW/WSO demonstration at Shea Stadium, New York City, New York.

Source two advised on November 6, 1974, that held a VVAW/WSO party at his residence during November, 1974.

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On November 6, 1974, source two advised that a VVAW/WSO party was held in New York City. New York, on November 2, 1974.
WSO in New Jersey, were present.

On November 6, 1974, source two advised that is a member of the VVAW/WSO, and he is also a friend of

On February 19, 1975, source two advised that there was a rally in Newark, New Jersey, on February 15, 1975, sponsored by a coalition of various organizations including the VVAW/WSO.

Approximately 150-200 persons attended the above rally, according to source two, which was billed as "Auto Workers March", to fight layoffs of auto workers.

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#### APPENDIX

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

The VVAW, formed in 1967 by Vietnam veterans to protest U.S. involvement in the war in Southeast Asia (changed name to VVAW/WSO in 1973 to include non-veterans as members), has sponsored numerous anti-government demonstrations, some resulting in violence. The VVAW/WSO National Office (NO) and some key chapters are infiltrated and influenced by the militant REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) organization, and VVAW/WSO leaders have told members that VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary organization, not "just another group of war veterans." The current Marxist-Leninist-Maoist oriented NO, which promotes education of the membership in Marxist-Leninist-Maoist doctrine and directs the organization into political growth along the same lines, has at VVAV/WSO National Steering Committee Meetings (NSCM), in 1974, portrayed VVAW/WSO as a mass antiimperialist organization and a vanguard of the revolution eventually created by the masses.

VVAW/WSO leaders voted at the December, 1974 NSCM to align VVAW/WSO with the RU, which organization follows a strict Maoist line designed to bring about violent revolution in the U.S.

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Enclosed for each recipient are two copies of a notice issued by the VVAW/WSO in the Northern California Sub-Regional Office, 910 Steiner St., San Francisco, Calif., which contains the proposed agenda for the upcoming VVAW/WSO Anti-Imperialist Caucus scheduled for St. Louis, Missouri 6/27-30/75.

The attached enclosure was furnished by who received the enclosure from a member of the VVAW/WSO source made the attached enclosure available to the Tampa Div. on 6-11-75.

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This enclosure is furnished for the information of all recipients.



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### WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SUB-REGIONAL OFFICE 910 STEINER STREET SAN FRANCISCO 94117 (415) 922-5940

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

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The Anti-Imperialist Caucus of VVAW/WSO will be holding a national meeting June 27, 1975 thru June 30, 1975 in St. Louis, Missouri. All chapters (those still in VVAW/WSO and those who have left or been expelled) who are opposed to the political line of the National Program of VVAW/WSO and the destructive effect of the Revolutionary Union on the mass democratic character of VVAW/WSO are invited.

We are proposing the following areas of discussion for the agenda. This is a sum-up of recent practice within VVAW/WSO and will focus on these events in order to learn from our mistakes.

#### PROPOSED AGENDA

- Local and national sum-ups -- These should be in the form of written round robin reports (daily work and internal struggle).
- National sum-up of the practice of the RU in VVAW/WSO The areas of discussion will be: a) loss of membership (individual, chapters, regions), b) the effect on relations with other organizations.
- What we do now -- Areas of discussion: a) what is the basis of our political
  unity, b) what organizational form should that unity take, and c) our current
  relationship to VVAW/WSO.
- Discussion of strategy and tactics for the national development and consolidation of our politics. Some ideas: regional conferences, national travelers, national mass meetings.
- 5. Discussion of an outline for a new organizational program.

The St. Louis chapter is not able to handle a large number of delegates at this time. We would like to limit the number of delegates to three per chapter. All chapters should reply in writing to the St. Louis chapter by June 15 about the number of delegates you will be sending.

Other organizations may also be invited to attend. The clearance for these people will be done thru the California WAW/WSO. Send all requests of this type to the Northern California Sub-Regional Office, 910 Steiner Street, San Francisco, Ca. 94115. All non-organizational attendance must be cleared prior to the meeting. The requests should be explicit about the organization being invited and why the local chapter feels we would benefit by their attendance.

The coordination will continue from California with the logistics being handled by St. Louis. All chapters should contact St. Louis as soon as a decision to attend has been made by your chapter. The fee for the meeting will be Ten Dollars (\$10.00), payable to the St. Louis chapter in advance or at the meeting.

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California VVAW/WSO

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TO: SACS,

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6/17/75

FROM: DIRECTOR,

(100-448092)

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

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RESPECTIVELY, TO TRAVEL TO ST. LOUIS TO AFFORD

COVERAGE OF VVAW/WSO ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS (ANTI-REVOLUTIONARY 62610

UNION (RU) FORCES), 6/27-30/75.

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UP TO \$275, RESPECTIVELY, FOR EXPENSES CONNECTED THEREWITH.

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AIRMAIL COPY TO CHICAGO.

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### NOTE:

See memorandum to Mr. W. R. Wannall, dated 6/13/75. captioned as above, which approved attendance of up to sources at VVAW/WSO Anti-Imperialist Caucus, St. Louis, Missouri, 6/27-30/75, and expenditure of up to \$1,000 of additional expenses related thereto.

advised that anticipates

invitation
VVAW/WSO structure. Source

could adversely affect his informant status. Expenses are broken down as follows: Mileage mile, \$40; three night's lodging at \$10 per night, \$30; nine meals at \$3 per meal, \$27; \$10 miscellaneous, for a total of \$107. Informant is currently authorized payments of up to \$200 per month for services and up to \$25 per month for expenses.

has advised that the has been requested of above caucus to attend, and nonattendance could adversely affect his informant status. Expenses are as follows: to St. Louis, t

Above two sources are the first and second sources authorized to attend above caucus, and a total expenditure of \$382 has been authorized.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR WINTER SOLDIER

ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE

MEETING (NSCM), COLUMBUS, OHIO (TENTATIVE); JULY 1975

(TENTATIVE); IS, OO: CHICAGO.

A SOURCE ADVISED THE TENTATIVELY PLANNED 15TH NSCM
SCHEDULED FOR COLUMBUS, OHIO IN JULY, 1975, WOULD DEPEND
UPON THE RESULTS OF THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS TO BE HELD
AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, JUNE 27-30, 1975. SOURCE STATED
HE UNDERSTOOD THE 15TH NSCM WOULD NOT BE HELD IF THERE WAS
A LARGE ANTI-REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) SHOWING AT THE ANTIIMPERIALIST CAUCUS. SOURCE ADVISED THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST
CAUCUS MEETING WOULD BE ATTENDED BY A LARGE NUMBER OF VVAW/
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THAT MIKE MC CANE, VVAW/WSO MEMBER FROM SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA WOULD BE ONE OF THE LEADERS OF THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS.

WILLING TO ATTEND THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS AT ST. LOUIS FROM JUNE 27 TO 30. 1975.

TRAVEL TO ST. LOUIS AND ATTEND THE CAUCUS. SOURCE WOULD

NEED APPROXIMATELY: WHICH WOULD INCLUDE

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OURCE FURNISHED THE ABOVE INFORMATION JUNE 9, 1975
REGARDING ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) AND SACS,

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) AFIFTEENTH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM) COLUMBUS, ONIO (TENTATIVE), JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE); IS; 00:CG

ON JUNE 6, 1975, SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADIVSED THAT ST. LOUIS CHAPTER, VVAW/WSO WILL HOST ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS, VVAW/WSO, LATTER PART OF JUNE, 1975, PROBABLY JUNE 26-28, 1975, AT UNDISCLOSED LOCATION AND ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. THIS CAUCUS WILL BE COMPOSED OF DISSIDENT VVAW/WSO GROUPS OPPOSSED TO REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) LEADERSHIP OF VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICE (NO) AND RU INFILTRATION OF CERTAIN VVAW/WSO CHAPTERS. PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE IS TO FORMULATE PLANS TO COUNTER RU INFLUENCE IN

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Director Sec'y'.

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REPRESENTATIVES OF VVAW/WSO DISSIDENT GROUPS FROM NEW YORK CITY (NYC), BUFFALO, NEW YORK, ST. LOUIS, AND NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, EXPECTED TO ATTEND.

NYC CHAPTER SPLIT OVER RU ORIENTAL STANCE TAKEN BY LEADERSHIP OF CHAPTER AND DISSIDENT MEMBERS HAVE BEEN MEETING.

PRAIRIE FIRE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (PFOC) AND OTHER UNIDENTIFIED GROUPS TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO ST. LOUIS MEETING.

ST. LOUIS MEETING WILL NOT REPLACE NSCM TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR JULY. 1975.

UNITED STATES INVOLVEMENT IN WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA HAS SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME RESULTING IN VIOLENCE. VVAW/WSO NO AND SOME KEY CHAPTERS ARE INFILTRATED AND INFLUENCED BY RU, A MILITANT ORGANIZATION, THAT FOLLOWS STRICT MAOLIST LINE DESIGNED TO BRING ABOUT VIOLENT REVOLUTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

PFOC IS ASSOCIATED WITH WEATHER UNDERGROUND ISSUED BOOKLET ENTITLED, "PHAIRIE FIRE" INTRODUCED IN SUMMER, 1974. BOOK CALLS FOR "VIOLENT OVERTHROW OF THE BOURGEOISIE AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DICTATORSHIP OF THE PROLETARIAT".

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WEATHER UNDERGROUND ALSO KNOWN AS (AKA) WEATHERMAN GROUP WAS FORMED IN JUNE, 1969, AS FACTION OF STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY. IN FEBRUARY, 1970, MEMBERS OF WEATHERMAN GROUP ENTERED AN UNDERGROUND STATUS WITH AN INTENDED PROGRAM OF "STRATEGIC SABOTAGE" WITH POLICE AND MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AS PRIMARY TARGETS.

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RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALBANY, MAY 21, 1975; AND SAN FRANCISCO NITEL TO BUREAU, JUNE 5, 1975.

SOURCE IS NEW YORK WILL FOLLOW AND REPORT

ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED CONCERNING ST. LOUIS MEETING

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

FROM BUFFALO (100-21623) (P)

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ON JUNE 5, 1975, PREVIOUSLY RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION WILL DEMONSTRATE JUNE 7, 1975, AT 12:00 NOON AT KENSINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, 319 SUFFOLK STREET, BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AND MARCH TO NATIONAL GUARD PARTY (NGP) HEADQUARTERS, 2213 BAILEY AVENUE, BUFFALO, NEW YORK. DEMONSTRATE IN SUPPORT OF NEGRO FAMILY BEING HARASSED BY NGP MEMBERS.

VVAW FORMED AS ORGANIZATION OF VIET NAM VETERANS
PROTESTING AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.
SINCE THEN, VVAW LEADERS TOLD MEMBERS VVAW IS REVOLUTIONARY
GROUP NOT "JUST ANOTHER GROUP OF WAR VETERANS." APRIL . 1973

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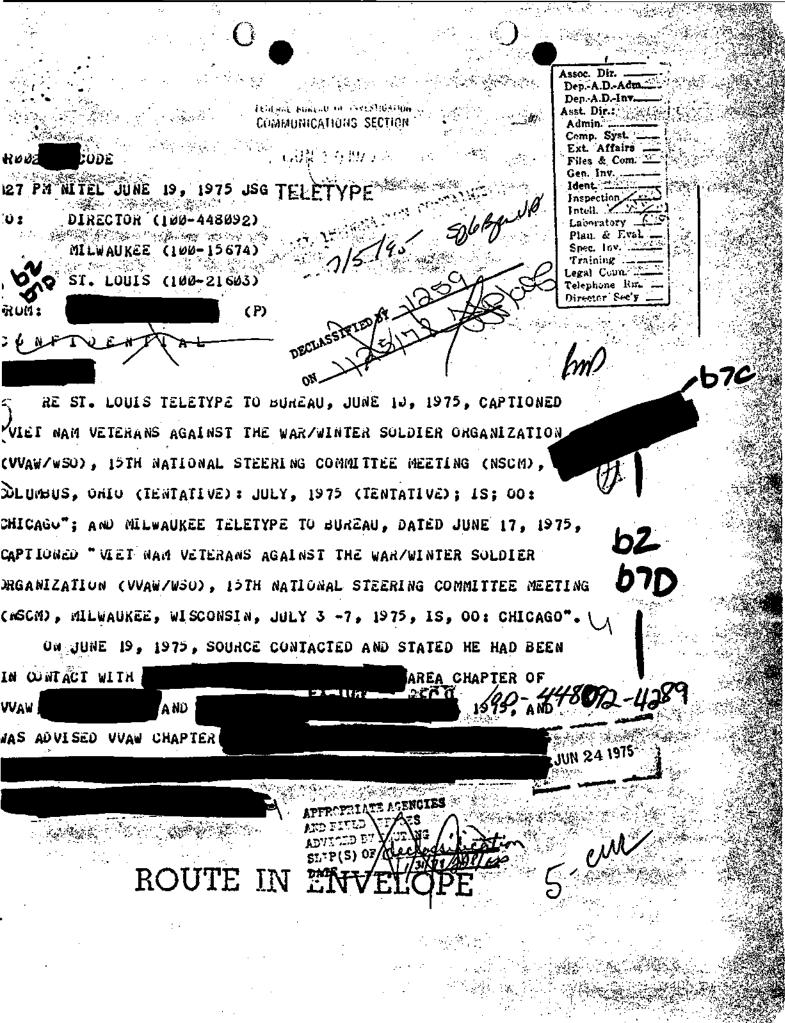
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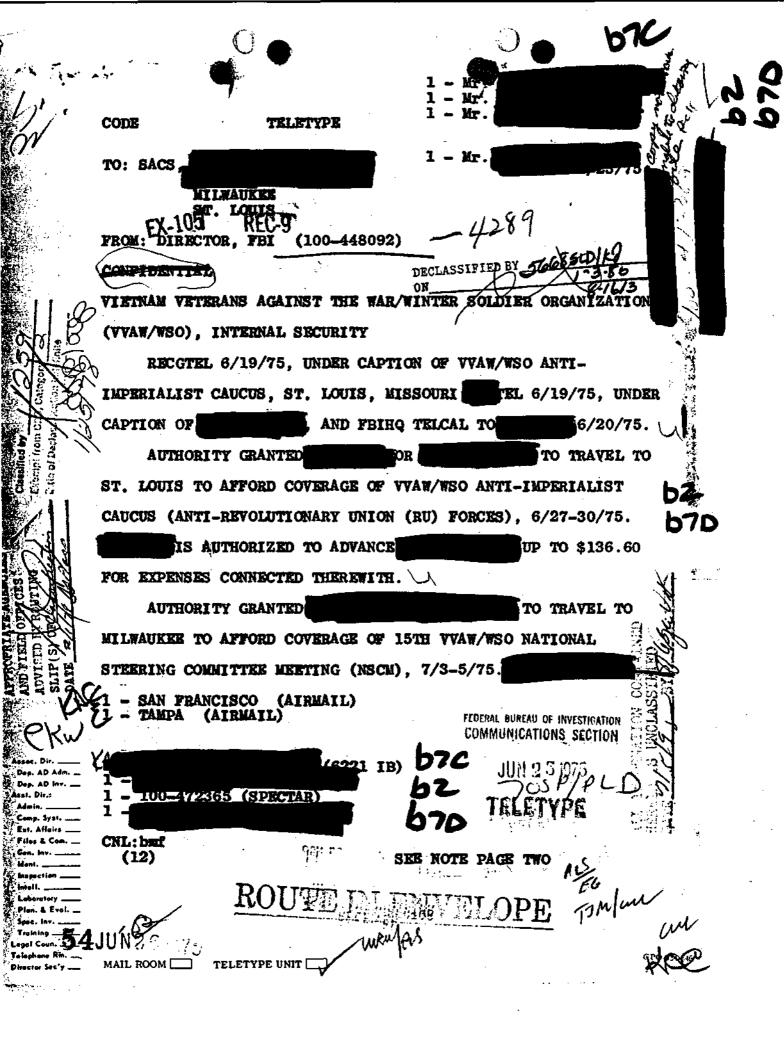
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MEALS \$30; LODGING \$60; INCIDENTALS

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ARE REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER OR NUT SOURCE'S ATTENDANCE DESIRED AND IF SO TO REQUEST FBIHQ AUTHORIZATION FOR ATTENDANCE AND PAYMENT OF EXPENSES. SUTEL REQUESTED AS SOURCE STATES LITERATURE IN HIS POSSESSION CONCERNING RE CONFERENCES INDICATES REPLY REQUESTED OF ALL ATTENDEES. \



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NOTE:

AUTHORIZED TO ADVANCE UP TO \$287.47 FOR EXPENSES

RELATED THERETO. THIS CONFIRMS FBIHQ TELEPHONE CALL.

6/20/75, ADVISING ATTENDANCE OF AT ABOVE ST. LOUIS

CAUCUS NOT NEEDED, SINCE SUFFICIENT COVERAGE ALREADY SECURED,

BUT

ABOVE OFFICES SHOULD INSURE EXACT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES
IS MADE. EACH SOURCE SHOULD BE PROMPTLY DEBRIEFED FOLLOWING
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FURNISHED ST. LOUIS AND MILWAUKEE, RESPECTIVELY, FOR INCLUSION
IN OVERALL LHMS. ST. LOUIS,

CAN CONTACT ST. LOUIS HANDLING AGENT IN EVENT
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CONTACTS SHOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH INFORMANT

AIRMAIL COPIES TO SAN FRANCISCO AND TAMPA.

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See memorandum Mr. to Mr. W. R. Wannall, dated 6/13/75, captioned as above, which advised of VVAW/WSO 15th National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM), slated for 7/3-5/75 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and preceding VVAW/WSO Anti-Imperialist Cancus (anti-Revolutionary Union (RU) forces), scheduled for 6/27-30/75 in St. Louis, Missouri, and approved attendance of up to si, our or additional expenses for each event, for a total of \$2,000.

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has advised that invited to actend St. Louis meeting within YVAN/WSO Chanter, which has

atherman-related Proc is interested in split within VVAV/WSO over question of RU influence since represents opportunity to entice disgrantled WVAW/WSO dropouts into PFOC following.

his informant status. Expenses are broken down as follows

\$25.00 per day, \$100.00, and \$10.00 for caucus fee, for a total of \$136.60. Informant is currently authorized payments of up to \$300 per month for services and un to \$75 per month for expenses. source authorized to attend above st. Louis caucus, and a total expenditure of \$518.60 has been authorized to date.

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has advised that

celephonically advised by Headquarters Supervisor. 6/20/75 \_+ha+

Expenses are as 1011048;

\$30: lodging, \$60; incidentals, \$30, for a total of \$287.47. is currently paid under SAC authority and is authorized to attend above Milwaukee MSCH, and a total expenditure of \$287.47 has been authorized to date.

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BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED SOURCE TO TRAVEL
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VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 27, 1975,
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(VVAW/WSO) 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, JULY 3-7, 1975/628

RE BUREAU AIRTEL DATED MAY 21, 1975, CAPTIONED "VVAW/WSO

15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, COLUMBUS, OHIO

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TO BUREAU, JUNE 2, 1975.

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AS BUREAU STATED IN RE AIRTEL DATED MAY 21, 1975,

CAPTIONED VVAW/WSO NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING WILL

LIKELY BE HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT IN DETERMINING THE FUTURE COURSE,

OR EVEN THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE, OF THE VVAW/WSO IN TERMS OF ITS

RELATIONSHIP WITH THE REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU).

IT IS MOST IMPERATIVE THAT WE HAVE COVERAGE OF THIS NSCM
IN GENERAL AND ALL OF THE MAJOR WORKSHOPS. INFORMANTS SHOULD
BE PARTICULARLY ALERT TO CONTEMPLATED CONTINUATION OF DISCUSSION,
DEBATE AND VOTING ON AFFILIATION OF VVAW/WSO WITH RU.

PROVIDED INFORMATION WHICH INDICATES NSCM BEING HELD AT

ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY SCHOOL, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, JULY 3-7,

1975. ALL OFFICES WITH INFORMANTS IN A POSITION TO ATTEND THIS

NSCM SHOULD REQUEST FBIHQ APPROVAL FOR THEIR TRAVEL TO THE NSCM

SITE AND COORDINATE PERTINENT DETAILS WITH THE MILWAUKEE OFFICE.

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FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CORRECTIONS PLEASE CONTACT MILWAUKEE OFFICE.

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TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-488092)

DATE: 6/23/75

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

OO: CHICAGO

Re Albany Nitel to Bureau dated 6/18/75.

On 6/20/75, who has some knowledge of VVAW/WSO matters in New Jersey, advised he has no knowledge of the June 6-8, 1975, VVAW/WSO Regional meeting held at the Universalist-Unitarian Church, Buffalo, New York.

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# Memorandum

: Director, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 6/24/75

SAC, Richmond (100-11445) (RUC)

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY THE VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION HELD AT FT. MEADE, MARYLAND 5/17/75

IS - VVAW/WSO OO: BALTIMORE

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Re Baltimore letter to the Bureau 6/17/75.

A check made of DMV records through the DMV computer on 6/23/75 reflected that Virginia License DCT~324 is registered for a 1966 Plumouth, four-deer soder VIN RHAIDE1296483, issued to street, 101, Arlingtons Va. 22209. This license is the to expire 12/31/75.

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DMV records reflect that Virginia License GJD-401 is registered for a 1965 Chevrolet. VIN 164695Y245189, issued to Road, 102, Alexandria, Va. 22303. Inis license is due to expire 1/31/76.

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FROM:

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ON JUNE 18, 1975, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT THE NEW YORK - NORTHERN NEW JERSEY REGION OF THE VIETNAM VETERANG AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) HELD A REGIONAL MEETING (RM) JUNE 6-8, 1975, AT THE UNIVERSALIST UNITARIAN CHURCH, BUFFALO, NEW YORK, ACCORDING TO LEADERS OF THE ONEONTA, NEW YORK VVAW/WSO CHAPTER.

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TRAINING. AS OF JULY, 1974, RU NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

WAS LOCATED IN MAYWOOD, ILLINOIS.

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REPRESENTS ALL INFORMATION OBTAINED

TO DATE BY SOURCE. NO LAM FOLLOWS.

BUFFALO, NEWARK, AND NEW YORK ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT LOGICAL SOURCES TO CORROBORATE EXISTENCE OF MEETING AND OBTAIN ADDITIONAL DETAILS ALBANY AND BUFFALO SHOULD BE MADE AWARE OF.

ALBANY MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH SOURCE AND WILL IMMEDIATELY REPORT ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE:

6/25/75

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FROM :

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SAC, P. D.

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
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15th NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
(NSCM), COLUMBUS, OHIO
July 1975

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Re Bureau airtel to Albany 5/21/75; St. Louis nitel to Bureau 6/10/75; Milwaukee nitel to Bureau 6/17/75.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

on 6/6/75.

with VVAW/WSO, Region coordinator, who advised individuals would be attending the vVAW NSCM, and they would be individual to be named in the ruture from

Source advised on 6/13/75 no VVAW meetings are currently held in the area and he knows of no individuals from the area who are planning to attend a VVAW meeting scheduled for St. Louis 6/26/75.

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Will continue to follow captioned meeting and determine if any additional people plan to attend from this area.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

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FROM ST. LOUIS (199-21693) (P)

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR /WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

(VVAW/WSO); IS

RE ST. LOUIS NITEL TO CLEVELAND AND TAMPA, JUNE 19, 1975,

AND BUNITEL TO CHICAGO, JUNE 23, 1975.

FOR BUREAU INFORMATION, REFERENCED ST. LOUIS NITEL TO

QEVELAND AND TAMPA WITH AM COPY TO CHICAGO SET FORTH FOLLOWING:

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FROM BUTTE (100-9147)

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RE ST. LOUIS NITEL TO BUREAU, JUNE 10, 1975; AND MILWAUKEEN NITEL TO BUREAU, JUNE 17, 1975.

ON JUNE 14, 1975, ADVISED THAT MONTANA-IDAHO
REGION, VVAW/WSO, HAS RECEIVED NO MAIL OR OTHER NOTIFICATION
FROM NATIONAL OFFICE, VVAW/WSO, OR OTHER REGIONS CONCERNING
NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING OR VVAW/WSO ANTI-IMPERIALIST
CAUCUS AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, JUNE 26-30, 1975.

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NSCM, JULY 3-7, 1975, OR ANTI-IMPERIALIST

CAUCUS, JUNE 26-30, 1975.

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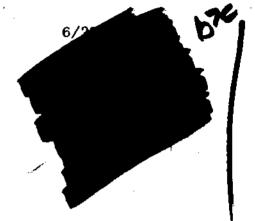
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FROM

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (100-12685) (RUC)

SUBJECT

DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY THE /VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, HELD AT FORTMEADE, MARYLAND, 5/17/75 IS-VVAW/WSO Baltimore



Re Baltimore letter to Bureau dated 6/17/75.

A check of Law Enforcement Agencie's Data System (LEADS) for the State of Illinois, on 6/23/75. disclosed that 1975 Illinois license BN 5204 is registered to Main Street Urbana, Illinois, on a I Illinois drivers license is and SSAN 150 pounds, black His DOB is

hair and brown eyes. He wears glasses.

Springfield indices are negative concerning Springfield indices do indicate that a member of the Iranian Students Association (ISA) resided at Main, Urbana, Illinois, in 1973. This residence has

been; and continues to be, a communal-type living quarters for Mid-East students at the University of Illinois. BEC-29 100-448092 ST ION ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

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FROM CHICAGO (100-50772)

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

BUREAU NITEL. JUNE 23. 1975.

CHAPTER, VVAW/WSO,

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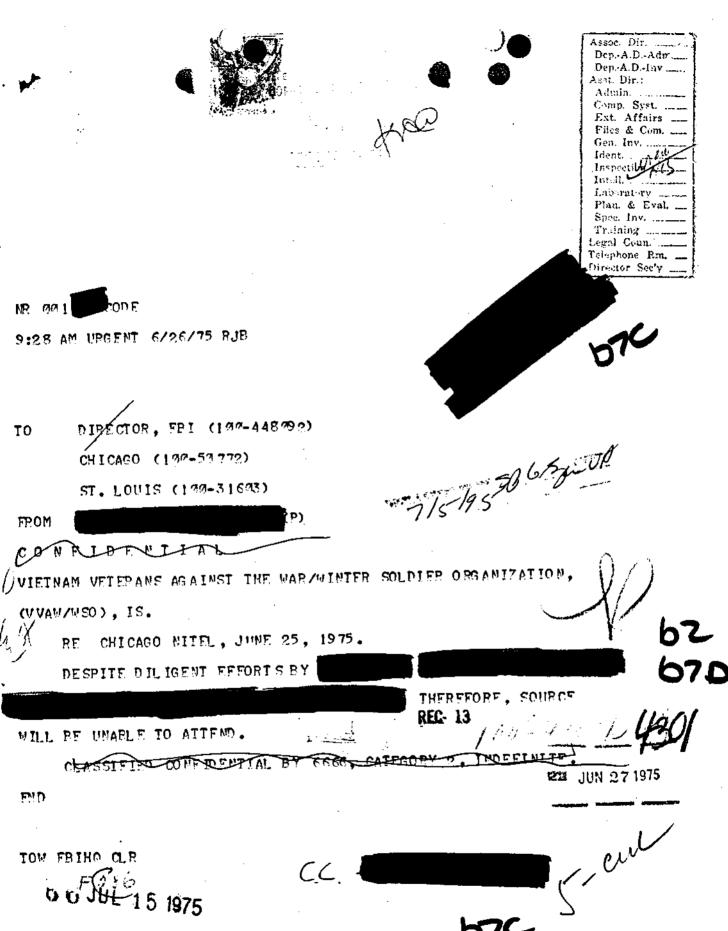
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FROM:

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ON JUNE 20, 1975, SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED IT WAS LEARNED THAT NEW YORK-NORTHERN NEW JERSEY REGION. VVAW /WSO. HLLD REGIONAL MEETING IN BUFFALO, NEW YORK, EARLY IN JUNE, 1975. AT MEETING

REGIONAL COORDINATOR. RESIGNED FROM VVAW /WSO APPARENTLY OVER SPLIT IN ORGANIZATION DUE TO REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) INFLUENCE. IT WAS ALSO LEARNED THAT BUFFALO. NEW YORK CHAPTER WITHDREW FROM ORGANIZATION.

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#### **ADMINISTRATIVE**

RE ALBANY NITEL TO BUREAU, BUFFALO, ET AL, JUNE 13, 1975.

SOURCE IS 1975.

SOURCE LEARNED OF INFORMATION SET OUT HEREIN FROM FORMER VVAW AWSO MEMBERS IN NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK IS MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH SOURCE ON THIS MATTER AND WILL PROMPTLY REPORT ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED.

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TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) DATE:

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6/26/75

FROM

SUBJECT:

SAC, CHICAGO (100-53924) (P)

-CHICAGO CHAPTER, VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

00: CHICAGO

> Chicago report by Special Agent (SA) dated 3/31/75.

This communication is classified Con protect the identity of

During May, 1975, and June, 1975, furnished the following information regarding the Chicago VVAW/WSO Chapter:

At present the Chicago VVAW/WSO Chapter does not maintain a headquarters and holds its meetings every other week at 2546 Morth Halsted, Chicago, Illinois. and materials are maintained at Illinois, the residence of Eureau file number 100-475818, Chicago tile number 100-53526.

Current membership numbers 16 individuals, however, 8 - 14 individuals normally attend Chapter meetings.

At present, the Chicago VVAW/WSO Chapter appears to becoming more and more influenced and dominated by the Revolutionary Union (RU), noting that two Chapter members are currently also RU

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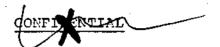
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Chicago continues to closely follow and report the activities of the Chicago VVAW/WSO Chapter, as well as, future RU influence on this organization.



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

#### PURPOSE:

To advise of VVAW/WSO's 15th National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM), slated for 7/3-5/75, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and preceding VVAW/WSO Anti-Imperialist Caucus (anti-Revolutionary Union (RU) forces), scheduled for 6/27-30/75 in St. Louis, Missouri, and to recommend approval be granted for attendance of up to sources at each event and for additional expense payments in connection with each event of up to \$1,000, for a total of up to \$2,000.

#### BACKGROUND:

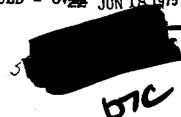
The VVAW, formed in 1967 by Vietnam veterans to protest U.S. involvement in the war in Southeast Asia (changed name to VVAW/WSO in 1973 to include non-veterans as members), has sponsored numerous anti-government demonstrations, some resulting in violence. The VVAW/WSO National Office (NO) and some key chapters are infiltrated and influenced by the militant RU organization, and VVAW/WSO leaders have told members that VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary organization, not "just another group of war veterans." The current Marxist-Leninist-Maoist oriented NO, which promotes education of the membership in Marxist-Leninist-Maoist doctrine and directs the organization into political growth along the same lines, has at VVAW/WSO NSCMs, in 1974, portrayed VVAW/WSO as a mass anti-imperialist organization and a vanguard of the revolution eventually created by the masses. VVAW/WSO leaders voted at the 12/74 NSCM to align VVAW/WSO with the RU, which organization follows a strict Maoist line designed to bring about violent revolution in the U.S. Some VVAW/WSO chapters. however, do not adhere to NO concepts and policy and are anti-RU.

UV Above NSCM will consist primarily of workshops cussions and speeches concerning the base and focus of VVAW/ WSO, the current state of its affiliation with the RU and

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**FROM** 

Memorandum to Mr. W. R. Wannall

Re: VVAW/WSO 100-448092

the direction and future of VVAW/WSO. It will be composed of delegates from the various VVAW/WSO regions across the nation who will vote on different proposals on above topics as well as on new national officers. NSCM will be conducted by RU-controlled VVAW/WSO NO coordinators.

Above caucus will be constituted by dissident VVAW/ WSO groups opposed to RU leadership of the VVAW/WSO NO and RU infiltration of certain VVAW/WSO chapters with purpose being to formulate plans to counter RU influence within VVAW/WSO.

#### OBSERVATIONS:

It is believed that VVAW/WSO is at the crossroads of its life. Inasmuch as details related to decisions made at both of above meetings will be highly significant in determining the future course or even the continued existence of the VVAW/WSO in terms of its relationship with the RU, it is considered imperative that we have adequate source coverage. In connection with each meeting we have a minimum of

the fact that each of these meetings will consist of several different workshops and discussion groups, the utilization for each event is considered necessary to provide the vital coverage. We will limit our source coverage to the absolute minimum necessary to provide adequate coverage and emphasis will be placed on those situations mb

Approvation traver or up c sources at an estimated cost of \$1,000 is being requested for each of above meetings, for a total of up to \$2.000. Every effort will be made to keep expenses at an absolute minimum.

### RECOMMENDATIONS:

That, to provide adequate coverage of above two VVAW/WSO meetings and to insure protection of our sources, approval be granted for up sources to attend each event and for additional expense payments in connection with each event of up to \$1,000, for a total of up to \$2,000.

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MRØ27 NY CODE Adioc Dir. Lap.-A.D.-Adm. Dep.A.D.-Inv. 6-84 AM WITEL JUNE 26, 1975 DXM SENT 6/27 WXS Assa Mar DIRECTOR, FBI (LOW-448092) AND SACS CHICAGO (100-50772) MILWAUKEE (100-15674) SAN FRANCISCO (100-71012) Plan & Eval. Spec. Inv. \_\_ SAC, NEW YURK (100-160644) FRU14: Training Legal Conn. 4 your I U ENTIAL Telephone Rm. .. Director Secty Allas INID VIETWAM VETCHAMS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAw/wSO) 15Th MATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), MILWAUKEE, WISCOMSIN, JULY 3-7, 1970; IS-VVAW/WSO, OO: CHICAGO. ON JUNE 25, 1975, SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT DELEGATES OF NEW YORK CITY (NYC) CHAPTER, VVAW/WSU, TO CAPTIONED ASCH ARE JUDEP MY UKGU. MYC CHAPTER WILL ALSO ATTEND AND WILL BE CHAIRMAN OF ONE OF THE WURKSHUPS. MYC CHAPTER WILL RENT VAN FOR TRANSPORTATION OF DELEGATES TO MILWAUKEE. DELEGATES FROM OTHER VVAW/WSO CHAPTERS IN SOUTHERN MEW YORK AND WORTHERN NEW JERSEY WILL ALSO TRAVEL IN VAN. BEC.88/11 /// 1/1/1/14/4

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LINE OF VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICE (NO) AND HAS BEEN EXPELLED FROM

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REMINITEL TO FBI HQ, AL, ET AL, JUNE 17, 1975.

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SUBJECT:

DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY THE VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), AT FORT MEADE, MARYLAND, MAY 17, 1975. IS-VVAW/WSO

Re Baltimore letter to the Bureau dated 6/17/75.

Referenced Baltimore letter set forth the details of captioned demonstration as well as a list of license tag numbers observed in the vicinity of captioned demonstration. The following investigation was conducted at Washington, D.C. in regard to WDC license 318-876 observed at the demonstration. On 6/23/75, a check of the Washington Area Law Enforcement System (WALES) determined that WDC license 318-876 was issued to a 1975 Datsun two door vehicle. VIN LB110770425 registered to Virginia Avenue, N.W., WDC, Apartment WALES reflected that the above tag expired on 3/31/75. On 6/27/75, a search of WALES under the name of <u>is</u> a male reflected that and currently resides at Virginia Avenue, N.W. WDC, Apartment currently holds a valid WDC drivers license number which expires 2/18/79. WALES reflected that A review of WFO indices on 6/27/75 was negative regarding

In view of the above and that no investigation is outstanding at WDC, this matter is considered RUC'd.

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS, NATIONAL MEETING. ST. LOUIS. MISSOURI. JUNE 27-30. 1975. IS

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APPARENT PURPOSE OF MEETING IS TO FORMULATE PLANS TO COUNTER

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(Attn: - Mr. D.W. Moor - Mr. W.R<u>. Wannell</u> - Mr. Mr. June 11, 1975 Honorable F. Edward Hebert Bhairmans F. Edward Mebest, Shel-Armed Services Investigating Subcommittee U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 Dear Mr.: Chairman: . . . Your letter (with enclosures) of May 22, 197 concerning efforts of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) to organize U.S. Reserve and Mational Guard members, has been received. You may be interested to know that the VVAW/WSO is currently under investigation by this Bureau based on information that its activities could involve violations of Federal statutes. Although organizing of Reserve and National Guard members is one of the stated goals of the VVAW/WSO, investigation to date has uncovered no concerted effort by this organization to engage in such organizing activity in Chicago or other areas around; the country. Should this Bureau develop information in the future indicating that above-type organizing activity is occurring, the appropriate military department(s) will, of course, be apprised. Sincerely yours. The Deputy Attorney General Clarence M. Kelley AD law. Director CNL: weg (10) MAILED 7 (SEE NOTE PAGE TWO) JUN 1 3 1975 H.E ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GPO 954-546 TELETYPE UNIT

Honorable F. Edward Hebert, Chairman

#### NOTE:

By letter of 5/22/75, to the Director, Congressman F. Edward Hebert, in his capacity as Chairman, Armed Services Investigating Subcommittee, U.S. House of Representatives, enclosed copy of letter of 3/24/75 to House Armed Services Committee from Congressman Larry P. McDonald concerning alleged efforts of VVAW/WSO to organize Reserve and National Guard members. Congressman Hebert's letter stated that, through Office of Assistant Secretary of Delemse, him Subcommittee had learned that military departments have no evidence or any organizing efforts among Reserve and Guard units by the VVAW/WSO. Letter then inquired if this Bureau could provide any information to the Subcommittee in connection with this matter.

Review of appropriate files at FBIHQ and Chicago Office, office of origin in investigation of VVAW/WSO, in connection with instant inquiry, produced negative results. Outgoing has been coordinated with Congressional Services Office. Legal Counsel Division.

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Mr. Clarence M. Kelly, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation John Edgar Hoover Building Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Kelly:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from Congressman Larry P. McDonald to Chairman Melvin Price, along with an enclosure, concerning efforts of the <u>Vietnam Veterans</u> Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) to organize Reserve and National Guard members. The matter has been referred to this Subcommittee for attention.

Through the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, the military departments have indicated that they have no evidence of any organizing efforts among Reserve or Guard units by the VVAW/WSO.

Since the VVAW/WSO appears to be a civilian organization, the Department of Defense has suggested that the Bureau might be aware of its activity and could provide information to the Subcommittee in this matter. Any assistance you might be able to provide would be appreciated.

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Sincerely.

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Hon. Melvin Price Chairman House Armed Services Committee 2468 Rayburn HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

I have enclosed for your consideration a recent discussion paper circulated by the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), an organization with an established record of involvement in violent activities.

The discussion paper indicates that the major focus of VVAW/WSO organizing will be reservists and national guardsmen, especially those in units with civil disturbance assignments.

This is but the latest in a long series of efforts by VVAW/WSO to subvert the various branches of the U.S. armed forces.

There is clear evidence that VVAW/WSO and its allies pose a determined threat to the efficiency and morale, if not the security, of the armed forces. I ask that you take action in the immediate effort by alerting the appropriate military authorities, and that the Armed Services Committee hold hearings to examine the extent of VVAW/WSO activities against this country.

Sincerely,

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A number of people in VVAW/WSO have been asking about organizing reservists and national guardsmen, and now that chapters are going to be giving serious thought to this organizing work in the future, we wanted to lay out as much as we can about the problems and some of the experience that we know of. The only consistent organizing of reservists and national guardsmen has taken place in Chicago, but the experience and sum-up should be helpful to people.

#### Reservists and Guardsmen

- found that 99% of the reservists had joined for the sole reason of avoiding the draft and avoiding going to Vietnam. Although the period of obligation for a reservist is 6 years, it is likely that by now, there are greater numbers of people who have joined for other reasons. The economic incentives are not great, but they are probably enough for men to consider it a good source for a second or supplementary income. The job training that reservists allegedly get is also an incentive. Organizers should research this in the course of talking to reservists so we can get a more up to date idea of some of the reasons men join.
- 2) The organizers in Chicago found that it is important to analyze the various units in their areas to determine the purpose of the units and to determine the class and national status of the people in the unit. Some units are very heavily black, some are predominately working class, and some are professional. This is similar to conditions found on many large Army bases.
- 3) There are Third World people in the reserves and the number probably corresponds with the number in the active duty branches. The proportion of Third World people varies considerably from unit to unit. Until recently, units in Chicago were quite segregated, most units being all white with a few all black units. The military is attempting to integrate units, but often the trend is that the units located near predominately black neighborhoods will have a larger proportion of blacks. The other factor affecting the numbers of Third World people in a unit is the function of the unit. The "grunt" units are usually infantry or artillery (with a higher proportion of Third World people) and the more "elite" units like communication and clerical have a larger proportion of whites. Third World reservists find the same kind of racism--job discrimination, petty harassment, etc, that their activeduty counterparts find.
- 4) The ranks of the reserves and guard are filled overwhelmingly by men, although the effort to recruit women has increased in the past couple of years. There has been no experience working with women in the reserves and its not likely that organizers will come in contact with many women.
- the same way that active-duty people do. It was often difficult to maintain organizing work from one month's drill meeting to the next and to keep up a consisten campaign around a specific issue like working conditions or petty harassment. Often, their attitude is to get through the weekend drill as easily as possible and forget about it during the rest of the month. One of the key ways to overcome this attitude is by involving them in the on-going work of VVAW/WSO and making them feel a part of a mass movement. We should educate them through actions and discussions to the role of the reserves and national guard and their part in the system of imperialism. Often, organizers found that the reservists had trouble taking seriously the thought of getting activated to smash strikes or other such popular uprisings; they have difficulty picturing themselves in such a situation. Objective conditions—the worsening

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economic situation and the increase in the number of strikes will help to break down that attitude, but, tying them into the mass work of the local chapter will the help them see the necessity of building a fighting movement that will be able to effectively deal with any situation in which they might be activated for riot or scabulty.

National Guard: When a person enlists into the Army National Guard or Air National Guard, he also becomes a member of the Army Reserves or Air Force, and as such is part of the Ready Reserves. The state National Guard authorities, headed by the state Adjutant General, have the power to appoint and enlist men as members of the National Guard. Only if the federal government recognizes the appointment or enlistment does the person fulfill his statutory military obligation in the US Reserves.

Veterans Benefits: A reserve veterans is not entitled to the benefits that other veterans may receive unless he or she has spent some time on extended active duty (not initial active duty for training or annual active duty for training, which is called summer camp). For example, the GI Bill benefits may only be collected if the reservist has spent at least 181 days on extended active duty. As it usually turns out, reservists who complete their 6-year obligation will have put in only about 180 days active duty time and will not be eligible for benefits.

Disability compensation and medical benefits for the reservist are only authorized in certain circumstances. Benefits vary according to the time spent on active duty, and according to whether a disability is a result of disease or injury, and for a member of the National Guard, whether the injury occurred in state or federal duty.

#### General Conditions In Units

1) At most drill meetings (one weekend per month) it was discovered that reservists have very little to do. Somei mes there are lectures, clean up and inventory of equipment, or some job training (weapons training, etc). In general, what most reservists experience is boredom, confusion and inefficiency on the part of the brass, and a lot of busy-work. They don't see much purpose to their mission and they often feel that they are wasting their time. The advantage of this situation for organizers is that reservists are very open to good propaganda and have a lot of time on the drill weekend to read and discuss it. There is a good potential for political education to be carried on inside the unit during drill if good people and material are there to do it. The disadvantage of this situation is that reservists often have a hard time taking their role in the reserves seriously and understanding that they are there to control the civilian population in case of a militant strike or civil disturbance.

Some suggestions for educational material: a) material that covers the role of the reserves and guard and presents a history (especially recent history).
b) material on VVAW/WSO, the activities of the local chapter, and particularly Winter Soldier. This material will link them in a concrete way to the broader struggle. c) Material on legal and extra-legal tactics that they can use to fight back against the brass. Material should deal with filing charges, fighting activations, etc.

It is important to build solid contacts in a unit to do the educational work and to build any campaign that might start.

Organizers have found that often the brass at the e ignorant of their own regulations (even more so than with active-duty brass) and also don't know how to deal with people who are fighting back. Civilians have, in the past, experienced little harassment when leafletting, and, on a few occasions have been able to go into the armory to talk to reservists. The only way the brass has to discipline reservists (except Marines) is to threaten them with activation. While this is a very real threat, reservists are often more open to fighting back than people on active-duty. The organizers in Chicago saw many examples of reservists in a unit refusing to perform certain tasks and getting away with it. In one incident, some black reservists who had been assigned to clean latrines, refused the duty and portested the racist treatment they had been receiving. The brass completely backed down. Civlians were hired to clean up the armory so that the reservists, black and white, were no longer doing that work. Also, there was no puni shment given out to those who had refused to work. Organizers found that reservists who knew the regulations were able to completely snow the brass.

Peopl who work with reservists and guardsmen shouldn't, however, count on the incompetence of the brass. It is likely that, as the military uses the reserves and guard more, the situation will change.

3) Activation is the only real threat that the brass has to maintain discipline over most reservists. (Marine reservists are a special case, see below). If a reservist misses a drill and is not allowed to make it up or misses an opportunity to make it up, he will be considered to have an "unsatisfactory participation" for that meeting. If a reservist has a certain number of "unsats" for the year (the number vaies from one to three or sometimes more) he is eligible to be activated. There is a certain procedure that the brass follows for activating a reservists, and often a reservist can avoid being activated by showing that the procedure was not properly followed. In the past, organizers referred people with activation orders to lawyers, but relying on professionals like lawyers is sometimes harmful to organizing. People should explore ways to fight activation through mass struggle.

Organizers found that occasionally, a unit will recommend reservists for discharge rather than activation. They found one Marine reserve unit that used that policy for awhile since they didn't want any "undesirables" in the activeduty ranks. People should check out whether or not units are using that policy, although it hasn't been used very often.

4) Conditions facing reservists are similar to those facing people on active duty. The most common complaints are poor equipment and working conditions, lack of sufficient training, petty harassment, and racism. There is quite a lot of spontaneous resistance in the form of refusing to perform certain duties and petty harassing of the brass, so there are the seeds for a more organized and directed campaign around these issues.

#### Program

Since there have been only three on-going reserve and guard organizing efforts that we know of, there really isn't the experience on which to base a program. Reserve and guard organizing is almost a completely new area of work and a lot of investigating and practical work needs to be done. A few suggested areas of work are outlined below, based on what we can sum up from the past practice:

1) Educational work:

- a. The wolc of the reserves and guard.
- b. VVAW/WSO, GI NEWS, Winter Soldier, and the broader struggle.
- c. Offensive legal information.
- 2) Racism: Third World people in the reserves find the same kind of racism and discrimination that their counterparts in the active duty branches do. They are subject to discrimination in duty assignments, job ratings, and harassment from the brass. There are some units that have very few Third World people and some that are predominately Third World, but the struggle against racism must be taken up wherever it is appropriate.
  - 3) Working conditions: The issue of working conditions is often not of any great concern to reservists until they go to summer camp (every reservist must complete 2 weeks a year of active-duty service. This is usually at an active-duty base or special base that is used for this purpose.)
  - a. One of the biggest complaints is faulty equipment. Reservists are often issued old equipment or equipment that has been rejected for use by the active-duty services. While some units are being equipped with new material, more are still using unsafe equipment.
  - b. Many reservists complain that they have not been properly trained to use their equipment and that the result is many accidents.
  - nighters. "These overnighters are supposed to be training exercises and usually involve camping out for the weekend in fields or in various special camps (like Camp McCoy, Wisconsin). The conditions that reservists face on those trips usually involve sleeping in the mud, trucks breaking down on the road, etc.
  - 4) Fighting the activiation policy: There has never been an on-going campaign against the activation policy, but it is an issue that should be explored. Threatening reservists with being placed on active duty clearly exposes the role of the reserves. Many people, including reservists think that the reserves and guard are used to benefit the people in the communities by helping out in times of natural disasters or helping maintain the "safety" or the community. The reserves and guard have always tried to maintain the image of being an asset to the community. By fighting the activiation policy, the connections between the reserves and guard and the imperialist military can be exposed and reservists can be brought to a better understanding of what their role really is. It is an issue which effects reservists at all times and is the primary tool that the brass uses to keep them in line.
  - mand harassment effects reservists in many other ways. Job assignments, calling reservists in to perform duty at armories other than on their drill weekends, delays in getting paid, and other more minor problems can be areas in which campaigns are mounted. The organizers in Chicago carried on a campaign with some reservists who had not been paid for extra duty and found that the reservists were quite militant about confronting the brass as well as questioning the reasons for their extra duty.
    - 6) Campaign against strikebreaking and riot control:
- a. Educational work analyzing the role of the reserves and guard and the history of their use against the people in this country should be a central part of organizing work with reservists and guardsmen. The pamphlet,

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Soldiers and Strikers has been used successfully, but more literature should be developed.

- b: Active campaigns against riot control and strikebreaking can take the form of reservists refusing to participate in riot control training. Many units have riot control training and planning as their primary task, and, although such a campaign has never been tried, people should explore it as a possible area of organizing work. If the guard is called out in an area, organizers should be prepared to work with reservists and guardsmen in opposing this move. Organizers in Chicago during the truck strike found that it was very important to try and build solidarity between the truckers and the guardsmen who were opposed to strikebreaking. The guardsmen, themselves, weren't the enemy--it was the government who called them out.
- in the reserves and guard is disruptive and inconvenient to their lives. While this is often a problem that is relatively unimportant, it sometimes develops into an issue which could be organized around. Reservists sometimes are called any time of the day or night to come to the armory for extra duty or to be on stand-by for intervention in a civil disturbance. They are often faced with conflicts between their civilian jobs and their obligation to the reserves—they lose time at work, or they are harassed by their employers. Their obligations to the reserves often interfer with their family life. These issues can be taken up where appropriate and it should be done in the context of the role of the reserves and the reasons for the military's lack of concern for lower ranking reservists.

Summer Camp

All reservists and guardsmen are subject to 2 weeks per year of active duty service. Navy, Marine, and Air National Guard members usually go to activeduty bases for summer camp, while Army and National Guard members usually go to special bases (Camp Atterbury, Indiana, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, Camp Pickett, Virginia, etc). This two week period is designed by the military to give reservists intensive training or additional training, and to get them used to activeduty service in case they are activated or called up for a crisis.

Most reservists are completely unaware of what their rights are, and unaware of how they can deal with being on active duty. The organizers in Chicago put out a "summer camp survival kit" which was enthusiastically received and which we strongly encourage people to do in their areas. It included legal rights information (the emphasis on using legal information to fight back), articles written about summer camp by reservists, a rap on the role and history of the reserves and guard, and some good graphics. One group in Boston found out where most reservists from that area were being sent and set up a storefront there for the summer. Peopl who have the resources should consider doing this also.

In addition to the usual active-duty GI complaints, reservists at summer camp are especially concerned with safety conditions. The percentage of accidents involving summer camp participants seems to be higher than with active-duty people.

Sum-up

l) Organizers who are starting work with reservists and guardsmen should do some investigation of the units in their area before chosing units on which to concentrate. People should seek out the units that are most likely to be called

up for civil disturbance and that have a program of not control training. These units tend to be the infantry and artiflery units and usually have the largest concentration of working class people and national minorities. These units usually receive the most harassment from the brass and will be most receptive to actively carrying on campaings against this harassment. Large National Guard armories will usually have one or more units stationed there that are the first to be called up. The Marine Reserves also have units that receive riot control training. So far, to our knowledge, reserve units have never been used in riot control.

- 2) Most units begin their weekend drills early Saturday morning. Initial contact with reservists can be made by leafletting in front of the armories between about six and seven AM. Some reservists are allowed to leave the armory for lunch, so organizers should find out where they go for lunch. Building contacts in the units comes by being out at the armories consistently every month. Build-contacts and finding out about the role of the unit and the hassless that the reservists face will lead to developing a program for organizing. Often there is a high level of apathy and inaction on the part of the reservists and people have found that the key to getting through is by tying the reserve work into the other activities of the chapter. If organizers work with reservists only on the basis of what is happening at their units, the response is not always going to be high. Through the work of a chapter in general, reservists will get an understanding of how their situation ties in to the military and the imperialist system as a whole. It will show them the necessity of building a fighting movement not only in their units but also where they work and in their communities.
- 3) In involving reservists in the work of the chapter, people can be in contact with them throughout the month rather than just when they are at their drills. It is important to find out where reservists work and what communities they live in, so that chapter people can relate to their day-to-day lives rather than to their once-a-month inilitary obligation.

## Counselling/Legal

- I) "I want out": As with active-duty people, reservists are often looking for a way out of the reserves and guard. The same types of discharges are available to reservists that are available to active-duty people. Discharge counseling has been a problem for organizers in the GI movement for some time. People have felt that they con't want to do any discharge counselling because it leads to the feeling on the part of the GI that if he gets out everything will be better, that a discharge is the answer to his problems. In counselling, organizers have put the emphasis on offensive legal/extra legal tactics to fight back and kept the discharge counselling at a low level. If a reservist really wants to work for a discharge, it should be made clear to him that the only way he is going to get out is by putting up a fight. The military is not interested in his particularly oblems but they are interested in getting rid of people who do not fit in smoothly.
- 2) Most reservists and guardsmen are not subject to the UCMJ (Uniform Code of Military Justice) while at their monthly drill meetings. The organizers in Chicago always encouraged reservists to file Article 138's and charges as if they were on active duty as a way of shaking up the brass, but, to their knowledge, this tactic was never tried. In general, the use of offensive legal tactics might not

be as important to reservists as to active duty people, since there is a greater potential for reservists to take more direct action to protest conditions (strikes, etc). Marine reservists are subject to the UCMJ while at drill meetings, so legal tactics might be a more effective tactic for them to use. People should should try out various offensive legal tactics and sum up how they work.

Marine reservists: Marine reservists are subject to the UCMJ at drill meetings as well as at summer camp. Their situation is more repressive since the brass can harass them with Article 15 (non-judicial punishment) and court-martial (the organizers in Chicago never heard about any Marine reservist being court-martialed as a result of an incident at a monthly drill, but theoretically, it is possible).

Regs: People who plan to work with reservists and guardsmen should get copies of the CCCO material on the reserves and guard. Their address is: CCCO, 2016 Walnut St, Philadelphia, Pa 19103. It is also helpful to have a copy of your state's national guard regulations. These are hard to get, but contacting a state representative might help.

Organizers in Chicago found that counselling was a good tactic in their work, but found that they were getting bogged down in discharge counselling. People should investigate how much demand there is from the reservicts for discharge counselling without advertising that as part of their program. Any legal counselling is only a tool for organizing and should not be seen as a whole campaign or the only activity of the organizing project.

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Re Washington Field Office letter to the Bureau, dated 5/12/75.

Enclosed for Washington Field Office are 24

photographs taken of captioned demonstration.

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U. S. Army Counterintelligence Activity, Zama, Japan, advised on 6/20/75 as follows:

Subject has returned to the U.S. for discharge and will not be further utilized by Army intelligence.

said that during one of subject's early meetings with the two Korean girls in Tokyo, he was given by the girls a packet of printed material which included clippings from "Winter Soldier." However, the girls said nothing about the material other than he should read it. The material was all anti-U.S. and/or pro-North Korea (NK).

said his immediate thought was the possibility of a working relationship between the NK communists and Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), but to date he has received no further information in this regard.

idded that plans are being made to further penetrate the MK espionage operation in Japan utilizing U.S. military personnel of Korean extraction as was started by subject. If and when this operation is resumed, he will advise Legat, Tokyo, and will be particularly alert for anything indicating any relationship between NK and VVAW/WSO.

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