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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 8/1/74

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

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

Re Bureau airtel to all offices, 7/15/74.

Although the Tampa VVAW Chapter is not actually Marxist-Leninist oriented it is thought to be such by the National Collective (NC) and by most other regional offices. In addition, the Tampa Chapter coordinator is considered to be a Marxist-Leninist revolutionary by most regional offices and the NC.

In view of the above, the case on the Tampa VVAW Chapter is not being closed at the present time.

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10:00AM URGENT AUGUST 6, 1974 PMM

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)  
 CHICAGO (100-50772)  
 FROM MILWAUKEE (100-15674) 3P

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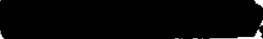
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 (VVAW/WSO); IS; OO: CHICAGO.

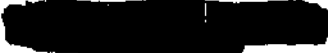

ON INSTANT DATE, SERGEANT  MIPD, ADVISED APPROXIMATELY 20 VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAW) PEOPLE TOOK OVER THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE IN THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION (VA) REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS, 342 NORTH WATER STREET, ON AUGUST 5, LAST. THE DIRECTOR, JOHN D. BUNGER, DID NOT MEET WITH THE INDIVIDUALS, AND THE GROUP LEFT HIS OFFICE AT APPROXIMATELY 10:30AM, WITH NO INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OR ARREST.

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DETECTIVE , MIPD, ADVISED INSTANT DATE

 AND  WERE ARRESTED BY

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MILWAUKEE POLICE AT 1:30 AM, THIS DATE, AND CHARGED WITH CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY AS A RESULT OF THESE INDIVIDUALS PAINTING OBSCENE PHRASES ON BILLBOARDS AND THE VA ADMINISTRATION BUILDING. [REDACTED] ADVISED A .30 CALIBER M-1 CARBINE, A .22 CALIBER RIFLE, AND A .38 CALIBER PISTOL WERE FOUND IN THE CAR AT THE TIME OF ARREST. BOTH SUBJECTS REFUSED TO MAKE ANY STATEMENTS. **b7c**

SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFO IN PAST, ADVISED LATE EVENING HOURS OF AUGUST 5, LAST, CAPTIONED GROUP GOING TO RETURN TO VA REGIONAL OFFICE, THIS DATE, LEAVING VVAW-HEADQUARTERS, MILWAUKEE, AT 9:30AM, AND PLAN TO DEMONSTRATE AT THE VA REGIONAL OFFICE, 10:00AM.

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REMINITEL, JULY 23, LAST, AND MITEL, JULY 26, LAST. **b2**

SOURCE IS [REDACTED] **b7D**

FOR INFO OF BUREAU, [REDACTED] MENTIONED IN TEL, **b7c**

IS SUBJECT OF BUFILE 100-479807, MIFILE 100-2146 [REDACTED] **b7c**

[REDACTED], MENTIONED ABOVE, IS SUBJECT OF MIFILE 100-21649,

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BUFILE UNKNOWN; HOWEVER, BUREAU COGNIZANT PER MILET TO BUREAU,  
JUNE 6, LAST.

██████████ AND ██████████ ARREST BEING HANDLED UNDER 52  
MATTER. USA, EDW, MILWAUKEE, CONTACTED AND ADVISED WOULD  
NOT PROSECUTE.

WEAPONS BEING SEARCHED THROUGH NCIC.

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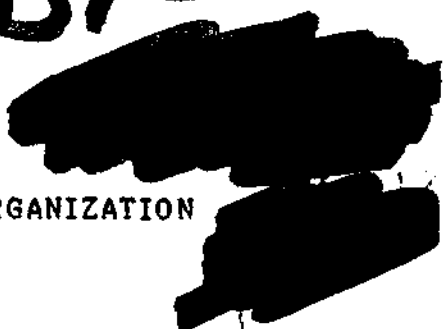
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5:11PM NITEL AUGUST 6, 1974 LSK  
TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)  
CHICAGO (100-50772)  
FROM MILWAUKEE (100-15674)

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ATTENTION: INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

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

ON INSTANT DATE, SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FBI OBSERVED  
A VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO) - SPONSORED DEMONSTRATION AT VETERANS ADMINISTRATION  
(VA) REGIONAL OFFICE, 342 NORTH WATER STREET. DEMONSTRATION  
COMMENCED 10:25 AM WITH SUPPORT FROM THE REVOLUTIONARY UNION  
(RU) AND REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE (RSB), FORMERLY KNOWN  
AS ATTICA BRIGADE (AB). 24 PARTICIPANTS WERE OBSERVED, AND  
DEMONSTRATION CONSISTED OF PICKETING WITH PLACARDS, CHANTING  
AND LEAFLETING. PLACARDS DE PICTED THE FOLLOWING:

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AMNESTY FOR ALL WAR RESISTERS; ACCESS FRO "WINTER SOLDIER,"

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A VVAW NATIONAL NEWSPAPER, AT VA HOSPITAL; RECOGNITION OF  
POST VIETNAM SYNDROME; AND SINGEL-TYPE DISCHARGE AND BETTER  
BENEFITS FOR VETERANS.

DEMONSTRATION ENDED AT 11:15 AM WITH NO INCIDENTS OF  
VIOLENCE OR ARREST NOTED.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

REMITEL, INSTANT DATE.

SPECIAL AGENTS OBSERVING DEMONSTRATION WERE SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED].

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 7/31/74

FROM: *H. J. ...* SAC, MILWAUKEE (100-15674) (P)

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

Milwaukee has prepared semi-annual report,  
which will be submitted in lieu of letter.

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TITLE OF CASE <b>( VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) MILWAUKEE DIVISION</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA [REDACTED]</b>	TYPED BY <b>dgl</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>IS - VVAW/WSO</b>	<b>670</b>

REFERENCES

Milwaukee report of SA [REDACTED] dated 2/19/74;  
 Milwaukee airtel and LHM dated 5/8/74 captioned, "VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM), Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 4/11-15/74";  
 Milwaukee airtel and LHM dated 5/23/74 captioned, "VVAW/WSO Regional Action, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 5/17-18/74."

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					<input type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
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							PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

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*see attached section 935*

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This report is classified confidential to protect and [REDACTED]

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Two copies of FD-376 are stapled to this report.

One additional copy of this report is being furnished to the Bureau for dissemination to Secret Service at Headquarters, and one copy is being furnished Secret Service, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The Special Agent of the FBI who observed the rally on May 23, 1974, is SA [REDACTED], Milwaukee Division.

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The following is the investigative status of persons mentioned in this report who are not informants:

<u>Individual</u>	<u>File Number</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Bureau Cognizant</u>
[REDACTED]	BUfile 100-471690 MIfile 100-18373	Pending	Yes
[REDACTED]	BUfile 100-472276 MIfile 100-18598	Pending	Yes
[REDACTED]	BUfile 100-479615 MIfile 100-21514	Pending	Yes
[REDACTED]	BUfile 100-476518 MIfile 100-20659	Pending	Yes
[REDACTED]	MIfile 100-21888	Pending	Yes
[REDACTED]	MIfile 100-21762	Closed	No

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<u>Individual</u>	<u>File Number</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Bureau Cognizant</u>
[REDACTED]	MIfile 100-21649	Closed	Yes
b7c [REDACTED] aka, (TN),	MIfile 100-21807	Pending	No

The following is a list of informants who are members within the Milwaukee VVAW/WSO:

b2 [REDACTED]	BUfile 100-475040
[REDACTED]	MIfile 134-1185
b7D [REDACTED]	BUfile 134-24890
[REDACTED]	MIfile 134-1233
[REDACTED]	BUfile 134-25568
[REDACTED]	MIfile 134-1241

COMMENTS

Since the last report, captioned organization held demonstrations and rallies at Veterans Administration (VA) facilities in a build-up to the National Action which was held in Washington, D. C., July 1 - 5, 1974. It appears that captioned organization will continue its efforts toward VA facilities as a demonstration has been planned at the VA Regional Office for August 6, 1974. The local Chapter is becoming more closely aligned with the Revolutionary Union (RU) in Milwaukee as evidenced by increasing support of RU activities and the fact that two members of the Regional Collective have been identified as attending Study Circles (educationals) sponsored by the Milwaukee RU Collectives. Also, statements made by [REDACTED] reflect that all of the Regional Collective and some of the members

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support and adhere to the Marxist-Leninist-Maoist philosophies and doctrines. Indications are that they believe in the ultimate goal as the RU and others who adhere to these teachings, but differ in the means to attain these goals.

In view of the above, Milwaukee is continuing to follow captioned organization through appropriate sources in order to determine if its attitudes change toward a more militaristic and violent trend due to its association with the RU, and if so, determine if they violate any Federal Statutes.

INFORMANTS

Identity

Location

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

MI 100-15674 - 1179;

MI [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

MI [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is a well placed source

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[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

MI [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is a well placed source

MI 100-15674 - 1262

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Identity

Location

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is a well placed  
source

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[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

MI 100-15674 - 886

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

MI 100-15674 - 1136

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

MI 100-15674 - 878

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

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Identity

Location

[REDACTED] is:

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Detective [REDACTED]  
Special Assignment Squad (SAS)  
Milwaukee Police Department  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
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[REDACTED] is:

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[REDACTED]  
University National Bank  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
(Requested)

[REDACTED] is:

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[REDACTED]  
SAS  
Milwaukee Police Department  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
(Requested)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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August 5, 1974

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

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

Dear Sir:

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

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

Photograph  has been furnished  enclosed  is not available.

Very truly yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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

Enclosure(s) (1)

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Copy to: 1 - SECRET SERVICE, MILWAUKEE (RM)

Report of: SA [REDACTED]  
Date: August 5, 1974

Office: MILWAUKEE

Field Office File #: MI 100-15674

Bureau File #: 100-448092

Title: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO)  
MILWAUKEE DIVISIONCharacter: INTERNAL SECURITY - VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER  
SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

## Synopsis:

The Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) regional office and chapter headquarters are located at 2532 North Holton Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They hold weekly meetings on Saturday afternoons at the Humboldt Gardens, 2249 North Humboldt Avenue, Milwaukee, and any additional meetings whenever necessary. The region and chapter is controlled by the Regional Collective consisting of four individuals. Two of the four on the Regional Collective are known participants in a Revolutionary Union (RU) sponsored study circle. The members consist of anyone showing an interest in the organization and are willing to support their causes; they can be either veterans or nonveterans. They totally support

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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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ON 7/26/95

Only those paragraphs marked confidential (C) should be considered classified.

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the aims and objectives as put out by the national office, Chicago, Illinois. All of the Regional Collective and some of the members support the Marxist-Leninist-Maoist philosophies and doctrines; however, not openly. They will work within the guidelines of democracy until the revolution occurs and then will support the revolution; however, they believe the revolution will occur nonviolently. Their finances are derived from fund raising activities, paper drives, contributions, and pledges. They have two savings accounts at University National Bank, Milwaukee. Their main publication is the "Winter Soldier," which is the national newspaper published by the national office in Chicago. However, they try to put out a local newsletter, funds permitting. Their activities during the past six months seemed to be directed toward Veterans Administration (VA) facilities, where during one demonstration, 16 demonstrators were cited; however, upon their appearance before United States Magistrate, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, the charges were dropped. This organization showed an increase in its support of RU sponsored activities and participated in a number of RU sponsored rallies and demonstrations.

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Details:

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I. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Leadership

The Regional Collective is comprised of [redacted] and [redacted]. This Collective is basically the steering committee on a regional and local level. This is the leadership and among their responsibilities is the formation of policy and coordination and application of these policies on a regional and local level.

[redacted] July 3, 1974;

[redacted] July 3, 1974)

[redacted] may possibly be the chairman of the "Milwaukee Coalition to Throw the Bum Out" (MCTBO).

[redacted] February 9, 1974)

The MCTBO is made up of representatives of various "peace" and "anti-imperialists" groups in the Milwaukee, Wisconsin area including the Revolutionary Union (RU), the Attica Brigade (AB), and the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO). The main purpose of this Coalition is to organize demonstrations in Milwaukee centering on the impeachment of President NIXON.

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REVOLUTIONARY UNION

The RU was founded in early 1968 and is a militant, semi-clandestine organization. Its objectives, as set out in its publications, are the development of a united front against imperialism, the fostering of revolutionary working class unity and leadership in struggle, and the formation of a communist party based on Marxism-Leninism-MAO Tse-tung thought, leading to the overthrow of the United States government by force and violence.

ATTICA BRIGADE

The AB is a student based organization founded in New York City, New York, in the fall of 1971. The AB considers itself to be an anti-imperialist organization which views "U. S. imperialism as the main enemy of the people of the world." The RU has significantly infiltrated the AB and plays a major role in the AB policies, decisions, and activities.

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
MILWAUKEE CHAPTER

During May, 1972, a source advised that the Milwaukee Chapter of the VVAW/WSO is a local branch adhering to the aims and goals of the national organization known as the VVAW/WSO.

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

The VVAW was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. Since that time, VVAW leaders have told members the VVAW is a revolutionary group, not "just another group of war veterans." Also, the membership has been

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told the VVAW has been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations, including communist and Maoist groups. Additionally, it was indicated that "anti-imperialist groups" consider the VVAW a potent organization of similar stature in the United States. In April, 1973, the group changed its name to VVAW/WSO so that nonveterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine.

b7c [redacted] and [redacted] were observed attending a Marxist-Leninist-Maoist educational series conducted by the RU which is known as a Workers Study Circle. (u)

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b7D [redacted] May 13, 1974)

2. Membership

The Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter has no formal membership. The membership consists of anyone who is interested in the organization and is willing to attend their meetings and support their causes whether they are a veteran or a nonveteran. Additional support for activities is obtained from the RU, AB, other anti-imperialist or leftist groups, walk-ins, and street people.

[redacted] July 3, 1974)

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b7D The attached membership application form was distributed by the Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter via their March, 1974, issue of its newsletter.

[redacted] April 2, 1974)

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Membership Application

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
WISCONSIN, UPPER MICHIGAN, MINNESOTA REGIONAL OFFICE  
2532 N. Holton, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53212  
Tel. (414) 562-9371

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ TEL.# \_\_\_\_\_ BUSINESS/MESSAGE \_\_\_\_\_

I AM WILLING TO:

- 1) PARTICIPATE IN MARCHES \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) DO LEAFLETING \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) HELP RAISE FUNDS \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) WORK ON A COMMITTEE IN MY AREA  
a) VA/AMNESTY \_\_\_\_\_  
b) FINANCE \_\_\_\_\_  
c) STUDENT \_\_\_\_\_  
d) POLITICAL EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE LIST OTHER THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I WORK AT \_\_\_\_\_ HOURS? \_\_\_\_\_

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE VVAW/WSO MOVE IN THE FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS:  
\_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SEND INFORMATION ABOUT VVAW/WSO TO THE FOLLOWING FRIENDS:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I HAVE READ AND AGREE WITH THE OBJECTIVES OF VVAW/WSO \_\_\_\_\_

Membership in VVAW/WSO is open to all who agree with and are willing to work toward the accomplishment of our objectives.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

Prisoners, GI's, Veterans; please complete other side of application

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GI'S:

MILITARY MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
APO/FPO \_\_\_\_\_

DATE YOU EXPECT TO BE SEPARATED \_\_\_\_\_

DATE YOU WILL RETURN FROM OVERSEAS (if you are) \_\_\_\_\_

MILITARY OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_ NAME OF PRESENT BASE \_\_\_\_\_

I WOULD LIKE TO ESTABLISH A VVAW/WSO CHAPTER WHERE I AM STATIONED \_\_\_\_\_

I WOULD LIKE EXTRA COPIES OF WINTER SOLDIER EACH MONTH #? \_\_\_\_\_

GI'S AND VETERANS:

INDOCHINA SERVICE? \_\_\_\_\_ DATES OF TOUR(S) \_\_\_\_\_

UNITS ASSIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

WOUNDED? \_\_\_\_\_ DID A DRUG PROBLEM DEVELOP WHILE

THERE? \_\_\_\_\_ DID YOU WITNESS ANY WAR CRIMES? \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE DESCRIBE \_\_\_\_\_  
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VETERANS:

TYPE OF DISCHARGE \_\_\_\_\_ IF LESS THAN HONORABLE, HAVE

YOU APPLIED FOR UPGRADING? \_\_\_\_\_ WOULD YOU LIKE TO \_\_\_\_\_

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DATE ELIGIBLE FOR PAROLE \_\_\_\_\_

DID YOU HAVE AN ACCORDANCE \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Headquarters

The Milwaukee Chapter maintains its regional and local headquarters at 2532 North Holton Avenue, Milwaukee.

They hold regular weekly meetings on Saturday afternoons at the Humboldt Gardens, 2249 North Humboldt Avenue, Milwaukee. The committee meetings are held whenever it is deemed necessary.

[REDACTED] July 3, 1974)

VVAW/WSO Chapters in Waukesha, Hartland, and Green Bay, Wisconsin areas never got off the ground and are now defunct. The commune previously located at 1223 Lisbon Avenue, Hartland, Wisconsin, has broken up. All VVAW/WSO activity in the Wisconsin - Minnesota region is coordinated by the Milwaukee Chapter.

[REDACTED] April 23, 1974)

At a Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter meeting on July 13, 1974, [REDACTED] proposed a name change for the organization to Vietnam Veterans Winter Soldier Organization (VWWSO). The feeling is that the Vietnam war issue has become defunct since the end of the conflict and the "Against the War" clause in the title no longer serves a useful purpose. Everyone present at this meeting was in agreement with [REDACTED] advised that this proposal would be submitted to the national office or to the next National Steering Committee meeting.

[REDACTED] July 16, 1974)

4. Aims and Objectives

The Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter adheres to the aims and objectives as set forth by the national office.



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The Chapter has been directing its efforts toward Veterans Administration (VA) facilities calling for the better treatment and benefits for all veterans.

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5. Political Alignment

The VVAW holds political education classes on Sunday mornings for those who are interested, but attendance is not a requirement of the organization. These classes are structured along Marxist-Leninist-Maoist lines; however, they do not teach violence. These teachings are not carried over into the general meetings as most of the members are not interested in political teachings or discussions. (S) W

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At a Milwaukee VVAW/USO Chapter meeting held on July 27, 1974, [REDACTED] made the following statements regarding political philosophies:

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[REDACTED] stated that 100 percent of the Regional Collective and most of the membership adhere to the Marxist-Leninist-Maoist philosophies as does the RU, but the VVAW/USO differs from the RU in the following things:

The VVAW/USO approach is much more "low key" than the RU's. The RU openly admits to the overthrow and to the revolution and their goals are openly published. The VVAW/USO will not openly admit to adhering to the Marxist-Leninist-Maoist philosophies or doctrines, and are willing to work within the guidelines of the democracy until the revolution comes. The VVAW/USO will not be the motivating force behind the revolution, but when the revolution comes, the VVAW/USO will totally support it. (S) W

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This Chapter further believes that the revolution will occur through nonviolent means. It is believed that "capitalism" will eventually destroy itself. In time, the public will become dissatisfied with the present form of government (democracy) and capitalism. When this happens, the public will be ripe for the revolution and thus, it will occur nonviolently. To substantiate this theory, it is believed that the Watergate incident, energy crisis, impeachment of NIXON, and the current economic situation are trends in the right direction. When the situations reach crisis proportions, the public will become dissatisfied with the present form of government; thus, hopefully dissolving the government and opening the way for a nonviolent revolution. (S) u

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6. Finances

The local VVAW/WSO Chapter currently maintains two savings accounts at the University National Bank, 2567 North Downer Avenue, Milwaukee.

Savings Account Number One

Name: Vietnam Veterans Against the War, Inc.  
Amount: \$64.60  
Names of those authorized to make withdrawals, two signatures required: [REDACTED]

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Savings Account Number Two

Name: Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization

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Amount: \$2.19  
Names of those authorized to make withdrawals, two signatures required:

[REDACTED] b7C  
[REDACTED] (S)U  
[REDACTED] b2 b7D  
July 22, 1974)

The finances for the Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter are controlled by the Finance Committee and are derived from fund raising activities, paper drives, contributions, and pledges.

[REDACTED]  
July 3, 1974)

7. Publications

The main publication of the Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter is the "Winter Soldier," which is the national VVAW/WSO newspaper published by the national office, Chicago, Illinois. The Chapter publishes a local newsletter whenever the funds permit such publication.

[REDACTED]  
July 3, 1974)

8. Structure

The Regional Collective is the leadership group. This is basically a steering committee on a local level. They have the responsibility of making major decisions and the formation of policy and the application of this policy upon the approval of the membership. In addition, they assist the region in implementing national projects, actions, and objectives; internal and external communications within the organization and with other political groups; assisting

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in the logistics for regional events such as elections and meetings; and assisting new chapters when formed.

The rest of the Chapter is divided into various committees which are set forth as follows:

The Amnesty Committee is mainly concerned with work in the areas of discharge upgrading, obtaining better benefits for veterans, and supporting unconditional amnesty. The local community is being made aware of these areas through speaking engagements, leafleting, petitioning, community outreach programs, and direct confrontation with local VA facilities in the form of marches and demonstrations.

The Political Education Committee is responsible for the "Winter Soldier" and its distribution as well as writing various articles for the paper. Also, educational classes are held for those interested and teachings follow along the Marxist-Leninist-Maoist philosophies. These classes are not a requirement of the organization and are usually held on Sunday mornings. (S) u

The Student Committee is responsible for recruitment in the high schools. This recruitment usually consists of speaking engagements, film showings, and selling and distribution of literature in the schools. Most of the thrust is placed on educationals regarding death drugs and counter recruitment of those going into the Armed Services.

The Financial Committee is responsible for keeping the books, allocating money to pay the bills, and coordinating fund raising activities.

The Security Committee is responsible for the internal security of the organization and their main thrust is exposing informants.

  
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The Security Committee is the only committee where members must be elected by the membership. To belong to the Security Committee, he or she must conform to the following criteria:

1. Must be willing to uphold the VVAW/WSO objectives.
2. Must have participated on, or be an active member in, another committee. Upon being elected to the Security Committee, continue to participate in the other committee.
3. Must be elected by the general membership.

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March 17, 1974;

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March 17, 1974)

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The Defense Committee is responsible for organizing various projects on a local level such as outreach programs and prison programs. Meetings are usually held on Sunday afternoons.

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July 3, 1974)

The following are not committees but are nationally approved projects sponsored by the Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter

The Post Vietnam Syndrome National Clearing House which is mainly a resource library and mails requested literature to anyone requesting same.

The Audio/Visual Peace Education Program is an audio/visual library maintained by the local Chapter and is open to any region or chapter nationally that requests any audio/visual material.

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II. ACTIVITIES

In addition to the weekly meetings which are usually held on Saturdays at Humboldt Gardens, Milwaukee, but are occasionally held at other times, the Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter participated in the following activities:

I. Activities at VA Facilities

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The VVAW/WSO sponsored a demonstration at the VA Hospital, Woods, Wisconsin, on March 29, 1974. Approximately 30 people participated in this demonstration, with RU and Youth Against War and Fascism (YAWF) being represented. At approximately 1:00 p.m. the demonstrators were given permission to assemble in a conference room next to the Director's Office. Fourteen persons of the group were allowed to meet with [REDACTED] Assistant Hospital Administrator, to give them a list of their demands calling for better treatment of veterans. The group exited the hospital at about 4:30 p.m., with hands over their heads and chanting. No incidents of violence occurred nor were there any arrests made.

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March 30, 1974;

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March 29, 1974)

YOUTH AGAINST WAR AND FASCISM

YAWF is the youth group of the Workers World Party (WWP).

WORKERS WORLD PARTY

The WWP was founded in 1959 by individuals who disagreed with policies of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP). The WWP dissidents advocated unconditional support of the Soviet Union and the

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building of a revolutionary party geared to the overthrow of capitalism. More recently, the WWP has called for peaceful solutions to Sino-Soviet border disputes; however, the WWP generally supports the People's Republic of China (PRC) in its ideological differences with the Soviet Union.

#### SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY

The SWP, headquartered in New York City, is a revolutionary, Trotskyist-communist organization which has as its purpose, the overthrow of the United States Government, the institution of a dictatorship of the working class and the eventual achievement of a communist society. SWP was founded in the United States in 1938 as the American section of the world-wide Trotskyist revolutionary organization named the Fourth International (FI), which is headquartered in Europe. In 1940, SWP withdrew its formal affiliation with the FI to escape application of the Voorhis Act, which regulates certain types of organizations subject to foreign control. From 1970 to the present time, however, SWP has continued a close association with the FI and participates and votes as a "sympathizing group" in FI meetings.

While the SWP does not openly advocate the use of violence at the present time to overthrow the United States Government, the SWP believes that eventual violent revolution in the United States is inevitable. SWP seeks to precipitate revolution when conditions are ripe and to direct and seize control of the revolution when it occurs.

Importantly, the FI at its World Congress in Europe in 1974 took a position favoring the

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current use of guerrilla warfare and armed struggle to achieve revolution in South America and elsewhere if local conditions indicate that such violence would enhance revolution. A majority of the SWP delegation to the FI opposed the current use of violence only on the ground that it is premature whereas a minority of the SWP delegation favored the FI endorsement of violence.

#### FOURTH INTERNATIONAL

The FI was founded in 1938 at Paris, France, embodying the ideological position of LEON TROTSKY of "continuing revolution" in the application of Marxism. The FI is the largest Trotskyist group with world-wide representation. The SWP, a United States based Trotskyist group, participates in FI activities and leads a faction of the FI, although it does not maintain formal membership in the FI. The dominant faction of the FI, in February, 1974, took the position of favoring the current use of guerrilla warfare and armed struggle to achieve a revolution in Latin America if local conditions indicate that such violence would enhance the revolution.



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A handout published by the Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter depicted a VVAW/WSO sponsored demonstration to be held at the VA Hospital on May 17, 1974.

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May 6, 1974)

ERNEST HENNINGER, Chief of Police, VA Hospital, advised on May 17, 1974, that members of the VVAW/WSO gathered in front of the VA Hospital to demonstrate on May 17, 1974. They were told that this demonstration was in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 218, CFR, 1.219(b)(9), which prohibits an unauthorized demonstration on VA property. The group did not immediately disperse, so 16 individuals were issued citations.

On May 23, 1974, ELLA HOMA, Clerk of Courts Office, Federal Building, Milwaukee, advised that the above group appeared before United States Magistrate JOHN C. MC BRIDE, Eastern District of Wisconsin (EDW), Milwaukee; and charges against the group were dismissed.

This group was observed by a Special Agent (SA) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) as they exited the Federal Building. They formed on the steps of the Federal Building where they held a short rally and announced their dismissal by bull horn to the small crowd gathered there.

The Milwaukee VVAW/WSO sponsored a march on June 22, 1974, which began at Mitchell Park, Milwaukee, and terminated in the vicinity of the VA Hospital, Woods. Approximately 50 people participated, with the local RU being represented. The march was peaceful with no violence. The march demanded better benefits and treatment for all veterans.

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The Milwaukee VVAW/WSO was represented at a RU sponsored benefit which took place in Milwaukee on July 20, 1974. The VVAW/WSO representative made an announcement that the VVAW/WSO would be sponsoring a demonstration at the VA regional office on August 6, 1974.

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July 22, 1974) b7D

2. Activities Held in Conjunction with the RU and Other Leftist Groups

The Angola Four Defense Committee made efforts during September and October, 1973, to elicit support from various organizations throughout the country which may be sympathetic to their causes. The Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter responded to their elicitation.

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ANGOLA FOUR DEFENSE COMMITTEE

The Angola Four Defense Committee was formed by a local Young Workers Liberation League (YWLL) chapter in New Orleans, Louisiana, in order to create a defense committee similar to other such committees set up by the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA) and its front groups in other parts of the country.

YOUNG WORKERS LIBERATION LEAGUE

The YWLL, the youth group of the CP, USA, was formed in February, 1970. It has established chapters throughout the United States for the purposes of educating youth in Marxist-Leninist doctrine and recruiting them into the CP, USA. National headquarters are in New York, New York.

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The Milwaukee Coalition to Throw NIXON Out (MCTNO) sponsored a march and rally in downtown Milwaukee on February 9, 1974. The main theme of this demonstration was the impeachment of NIXON and fighting the energy freeze. Approximately 50 - 75 people participated, and the demonstration was peaceful with no violence.

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February 9, 1974)

At an AB meeting which was held at the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee (UWM) campus, Milwaukee, on March 1, 1974, a representative of the Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter requested the AB to co-sponsor a trip by GARY LAWTON, who is charged with killing two policemen in Riverside, California, and is being supported by the VVAW/WSO nationally. The AB voted to co-sponsor LAWTON, and the proposed date on which LAWTON would be in Wisconsin was March 21, 1974, but was later changed to April 6, 1974. (C)

[REDACTED]  
March 13, 1974, and  
March 22, 1974)

The VVAW/WSO, in conjunction with the RU, participated in the International Women's Day activities which was held in Milwaukee, March 8 - 11, 1974.

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March 11, 1974;

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March 9, 1974)

A bus load of approximately 40 individuals representing the VVAW/WSO, RU, and AB departed Milwaukee on March 15, 1974, en route to Chicago in order to take part in a demonstration against President NIXON, who was attending a luncheon at the Conrad Hilton Hotel. This demonstration was sponsored by a group known as the Student Impeach

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Nixon Committee (SINC), 1043-A Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Illinois. Approximately 1,500 - 2,000 individuals participated in this demonstration. No violence was observed, and all returned to Milwaukee on the same date.

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March 14, 1974;

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March 22, 1974)

The Milwaukee VVAW/WSO, in conjunction with the RU, AB, and Wisconsin Alliance (WA) picketed and demonstrated at various National Food Stores in the Milwaukee area on April 20, 1974. The picketing and demonstrating was in support of black workers who were demanding a larger share of responsibilities within the food store chain.

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April 23, 1974)

#### WISCONSIN ALLIANCE

The WA is a third political party movement concerned primarily with present economic trends involving farmers, small businesses, and workers in the State of Wisconsin.

The local VVAW/WSO Chapter was represented at a demonstration sponsored by the Prisoners Solidarity Committee (PSC). This demonstration took place in front of the Safety Building, Milwaukee, on April 23, 1974. This demonstration was in support of DENNIS ANDERSON, who was charged with receiving stolen property and who is known to be closely associated with the PSC.

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April 24, 1974)

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PRISONERS SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE

The PSC is an organization founded by the WWP through which the prisoners in the country's jails can speak to the people outside.

City Bulletin #10, written by the RU in Milwaukee, reflected the following regarding RU attempts to spread unity among the various leftist groups in the Milwaukee area in the hope of building a United Front Against Imperialism:

"We have been weak in trying to unite with and win to MLM (Marxist-Leninist-Maoist) individuals from non-working class strataie, some people in WA, those around the print-shop, some in VVAW, and other individuals." (C)

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May 7, 1974)

The VVAW/WSO participated in a RU sponsored demonstration against I. W. ABEL, national steelworkers' leader, which took place in Milwaukee on May 26, 1974. The purpose of this demonstration was to voice protest against the no strike agreement negotiated for nation-wide steelworkers, known as the Experimental Negotiating Agreement (ENA).

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May 28, 1974)

3. Other Activities

The Wisconsin region has been unable to expand beyond the borders of Milwaukee County. The Chapters in Green Bay, Waukesha, Stevens Point, and Oshkosh, Wisconsin, have ceased to exist.

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January 23, 1974)

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The VVAW, 2532 North Holton, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was among subscribers to the "Daily World" as of February 17, 1974.

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March 19, 1974)

"DAILY WORLD"

The "Daily World" is an East Coast communist newspaper.

GARY LAWTON spoke before the Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter at a regularly scheduled meeting at Humboldt Gardens, Milwaukee, on April 6, 1974. LAWTON's speech centered around "being aware of pigs in America." LAWTON mentioned that the CP, USA offered to support him, but he refused. LAWTON advised that the VVAW/WSO should be aware of the CP, USA.

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April 7, 1974;

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April 7, 1974)

The Milwaukee VVAW/WSO was host chapter for the 12th VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM) which was held in Milwaukee from April 11 - 15, 1974. It was estimated that 60 - 85 delegates, representing various chapters from throughout the United States, attended this NSCM.

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The Milwaukee VVAW/WSO Chapter sponsored a car caravan on May 18, 1974, which drove throughout Milwaukee downtown area. Cars carried placards depicting the following five demands:

1. Universal and unconditional amnesty for all war resisters.
2. Single-type discharge for all veterans.
3. Implement the agreement and end all aid to THIEU and LON NOL.
4. Kick NIXON out.
5. Decent benefits for all veterans.

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May 18, 1974;

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May 18, 1974)

The Milwaukee Chapter sent a representative to the VVAW/WSO National Defense Committee workshop which was held in St. Louis, Missouri, from June 7 - 9, 1974. This workshop was attended by representatives selected from various chapters from throughout the United States. The purpose of this workshop was to ascertain the feasibility of setting up a National Defense Committee which would be truly operational throughout the United States. (S) u

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June 19, 1974)


The local VVAW/WSO Chapter sent a representative to Washington, D. C., to help coordinate the National Action to be held there over July 1 - 5, 1974. (S) u

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The Milwaukee VVAW/WSO sent a contingent consisting of approximately 80 - 90 people to Washington, D. C., to participate in the VVAW/WSO sponsored National Action from July 1 - 4, 1974. The contingent departed Milwaukee on June 30, 1974, and expected to return on July 5, 1974.

  
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TO: SACS, BUFFALO

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AUGUST 5, 1974

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8 - 12, 1974; IS - VVAW/WSO

REDNTEL CAPTIONED "[REDACTED]" AND "NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8, 1974; SM - VVAW/WSO," DATED AUGUST 1, 1974.

AUTHORITY IS DENIED FOR [REDACTED] TO TRAVEL TO BUFFALO, NEW YORK, TO AFFORD COVERAGE OF CAPTIONED MEETING. REFERENCED COMMUNICATION IS THE INITIAL COMMUNICATION RECEIVED AT FBI HEADQUARTERS CONCERNING THIS SOURCE AND IT CONTAINS INSUFFICIENT BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON WHICH TO BASE AN EVALUATION AS TO HIS QUALIFICATIONS AS A BUREAU-APPROVED PSI. ACCORDINGLY, ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION SHOULD BE FURNISHED TO FBI HEADQUARTERS AND HIS ACTIVITIES SHOULD NOT BE DIRECTED UNTIL HE IS A BUREAU-APPROVED PSI. FBI HEADQUARTERS INDICES CONTAIN NO REFERENCES IDENTIFIABLE WITH THIS SOURCE.

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RE: VVAW/WSO NSCM, BUFFALO, NEW YORK,  
AUGUST 8 - 12, 1974

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[REDACTED] requested authority to send source to Buffalo to attend captioned meeting and to pay \$190.00 to source in connection with expenses incurred therewith. The source is currently under development and while he has furnished reliable information to the [REDACTED] Office in the past, it is premature to direct his activities. u

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NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), BUFFALO, NEW YORK  
AUGUST 8, 1974, SM-VVAW/WSO

[REDACTED] AVAILABLE AND WILLING TO TRAVEL TO BUFFALO,  
NEW YORK, TO ATTEND THE NSCM ON AUGUST 8, 1974. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RESIDING IN [REDACTED] SOURCE

HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH VVAW CHAPTER, [REDACTED] AND

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VVAW ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERS IN [REDACTED]

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AND HAS PROVIDED VALUABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING VVAW ACT-  
IVITIES AT [REDACTED] INFORMATION PROVIDED BY SOURCE  
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SOURCE HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] REGION VVAW CONCERNING TRAVELLING TO BUFFALO TO  
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SOURCE HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN ATTENDING TO THE [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] RECOMMENDS THAT SOURCE ATTEND [REDACTED] AND THAT  
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FROM [REDACTED] 2)

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ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP ON 7/25/78

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THE PAST ADVISED:

[REDACTED] ACTING AS REPRESENTATIVE OF NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS  
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/MSO) CHICAGO, [REDACTED]

THE VVAW WAS FORMED IN 1967 AS AN ORGANIZATION

OF VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT

IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. SINCE THAT TIME VVAW IS AUG 9 1974

LEADERS HAVE TOLD MEMBERS THE VVAW IS A REVOLUTIONARY  
GROUP, NOT "JUST ANOTHER GROUP OF WAR VETERANS."

ALSO, THE MEMBERSHIP HAS BEEN TOLD THE VVAW HAS  
BEEN ASKED TO COOPERATE ON AN INTERNATIONAL LEVEL WITH MANY  
ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING COMMUNIST AND MAOIST GROUPS.

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ADDITIONALLY, IT WAS INDICATED THAT "ANTI-IMPERIALIST GROUPS" CONSIDER THE VVAW A POTENT ORGANIZATION OF SIMILAR STATURE IN THE US. ON APRIL, 1973, THE GROUP CHANGED THEIR NAME TO VVAW/WSO SO THAT NON-VETERANS COULD BECOME MEMBERS. CURRENT VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICERS ARE MARXIST-LENINIST ORIENTED AND STRIVE TO EDUCATE THEIR MEMBERSHIP IN MARXIST-LENINIST DOCTRINE.

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RSB FORMERLY ATTICA BRIGADE. THE ATTICA BRIGADE (AB) IS A STUDENT BASED ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN NEW YORK CITY IN THE

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FALL OF 1971. THE AB CONSIDERS ITSELF TO BE AN ANTI-IMPERIALIST ORGANIZATION WHICH VIEWS "US IMPERIALISM AS THE MAIN ENEMY OF THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD." THE RU HAS SIGNIFICANTLY INFILTRATED THE AB AND PLAYS A MAJOR ROLE IN THE AB POLICIES DECISIONS, AND ACTIVITIES.

THE RU WAS FOUNDED IN EARLY 1968 AND IS A MILITANT, SEMI-CLANDESTINE ORGANIZATION. ITS OBJECTIVES, AS SET OUT IN ITS PUBLICATIONS, ARE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A UNITED FRONT AGAINST IMPERIALISM, THE FOSTERING OF REVOLUTIONARY WORKING-CLASS UNITY AND LEADERSHIP IN STRUGGLE, IN 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.

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ACTIVITIES PLANNED THUS FAR INCLUDE NO VIOLENCE

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TOTAL NUMBER OF DEMONSTRATORS EXPECTED  
5,000. VVAV/WSO CHICAGO FEELS TOTAL OF 200 TO BE  
MAXIMUM. THEY WILL THEN MARCH FOR TWELVE BLOCKS  
THROUGH IOWA CITY TO PARK CARRYING BANNERS AND SIGNS  
WITH SLOGANS LIKE "UNITE THE WORKING CLASS - END  
THE NO STRIKE AGREEMENT IN STEEL;" "FIGHT NATIONAL  
OPPRESSION;" "FREE JAMES HILL"; "SUPPORT THE STRUGGLE  
OF PALESTINE IN THE PERSIAN GULF AGAINST ZIONISM  
AND IMPERALISM"; "END SUPPORT TO LON NOL, GIVE  
DECENT BENEFITS TO WAR VETS." (c)u

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OTHER SLOGANS WILL BE DECIDED AT LATER DATE. *CU*

CHANTS WILL BE REGARDING AMNESTY FOR WAR  
RESISTORS. *CU*

AFTER RALLY IN PARK, DEMONSTRATORS WILL DEPART  
BY CAR CARAVAN TRAVELLING VIA INTERSTATE 80 TO WEST  
BRANCH, IOWA, TO HERBERT HOOVER'S BIRTHPLACE, WHERE  
THEY WILL ATTEMPT TO DISRUPT ACTIVITIES BY SCREAMING,  
SINGING, AND CHANTING. SLOGANS WILL BE SAME WITH  
ADDITION OF "KICK NIXON OUT," "IMPEACH THE PRESIDENT"  
AND THE LIKE. *CU*

IF PRESIDENT FAILS TO SHOW OR VICE PRESIDENT  
FORD OR SOME OTHER HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL IS  
PRESENT, DEMONSTRATION AT WEST BRANCH WILL ONLY BE  
MORE VERBAL AND LOUDER. *CU*

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POSSIBILITY STILL EXISTS. *CU*

AFTER DEMONSTRATION AT WEST BRANCH, DEMONSTRATORS

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WILL HAVE RALLY AT HERBERT HOOVER LIBRARY. IF CHASED OUT OF THE FEDERAL PARK IN WEST BRANCH, THEY WILL GO TO A CITY PARK, WHERE THEY WILL HAVE SUM-UP RALLY, UPON COMPLETION OF WHICH DEMONSTRATION WILL BREAK UP AND DEMONSTRATORS WILL RETURN TO THEIR HOMES & 4

DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED PRIMARILY BY RU, RSB, VVAW /

WSO. & 4

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RE [REDACTED] TEL TO FBIHQ DATED JULY 29, 1974.

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SOURCE, CODE [REDACTED], WILL CONTACT AGENTS AS SET FORTH IN RE TEL SHOULD OCCASION ARRISE. (S) 4

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FINAL DEBRIEFING OF SOURCE, ASSOURCE CANNOT PREDICT HIS EXACT EXPENSES AT THIS TIME AS [REDACTED],

[REDACTED] VVAV/WSO, WHICH ACTIVITIES HOPEFULLY WILL INHANCE SOURCE'S CHANCES [REDACTED]

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CONTACT IS ALSO BEING MAINTAINED WITH [REDACTED] WHO IS IN A POSITION TO PROVIDE INFORMATION RE [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

NEW YORK (100-160644)

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FROM NEWARK (100-53565) (P) 3P

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Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization  
(VVAW/WSO), IS; (OO: CG).

ON JUNE 25, 1974, SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FBI OBSERVED APPROX. 40 INDIVIDUALS CONDUCTING A DEMONSTRATION WHICH BEGAN AT WASHINGTON PARK, NEWARK, NJ, DIRECTLY ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION (VA) REGIONAL OFFICE, 20 WASHINGTON PL., NEWARK.

AT APPROX. 12:30 PM THE DEMONSTRATORS ASSEMBLED AT WASHINGTON PARK AND BEGAN TO MARCH IN A CIRCULAR PATTERN, CHANTING SLOGANS AND CARRYING POSTERS AND BANNERS. SOME OF THE GROUPS PRESENT WERE VVAW/WSO, REVOLUTIONARY UNION AND THE REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE.

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THE FOLLOWING ARE SOME OF THE BANNERS OBSERVED: (1) "KICK NIXON OUT-NEW JERSEY WORKERS COMM. TO THROW THE BUM OUT." (2) "ON TO WASHINGTON DEMONSTRATION JULY 1-4-VVAW/WSO".

AT 12:55PM THE DEMONSTRATORS ENTERED THE VA BUILDING BUT WERE BLOCKED AT THE INNER LOBBY DOOR BY OFFICERS OF THE FEDERAL PROTECTION AGENCY. AT 1:05PM, APPROX. 50 OFFICERS OF THE NEWARK, NJPD, ARRIVED AT THE SCENE AND SWIFTLY REMOVED THE DEMONSTRATORS FROM THE VA BUILDING. NO ARRESTS WERE MADE AND NO INJURIES WERE INCURRED BY POLICE OR DEMONSTRATORS.

DURING THE ATTEMPT TO ENTER THE VA BUILDING, APPROX. EIGHT DEMONSTRATORS MANAGED TO GET BY GUARDS AND TOOK AN ELEVATOR TO THE FIFTH FLOOR OFFICE OF VA REGIONAL DIRECTOR JOHN HAGEN. AFTER HANGING A VVAW/WSO BANNER FROM A FIFTH FLOOR WINDOW AND CREATING A MINOR DISTURBANCE, THE EIGHT DEMONSTRATORS WERE PERMITTED TO DISCUSS ISSUES AND GRIEVANCES WITH HAGEN.

AT APPROX. 2:00PM THE EIGHT DEMONSTRATORS PEACEFULLY LEFT THE VA BUILDING AND REJOINED THE OTHER DEMONSTRATORS WHO HAD RESUMED THEIR

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MARCHING AND CHANTING IN WASHINGTON PARK.

THROUGHOUT THE DEMONSTRATION, INDIVIDUALS HANDED OUT FLYERS STATING THE DEMANDS OF THE VVAW/WSO: 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; KICK NIXON OUT.

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RE NEWARK TEL TO BUREAU, JUNE 20, 1974.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND SECRET SERVICE COGNIZANT. NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

THE SPECIAL AGENTS OBSERVING THE DEMONSTRATION WERE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

NEWSPAPER AND TV COVERAGE WERE EVIDENT.

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SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS APPEARING IN LEADERSHIP OF DEMONSTRATION WERE IDENTIFIED FROM PHOTOS AS MEMBER OF THE RU OR ASSOCIATES OF MEMBERS.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

WASHINGTON FIELD (100-58125)

FROM NEW YORK (100-160644)

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ATTENTION: INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) AT VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION  
(VA) HOSPITAL, NEW YORK CITY (NYC), JUNE 27, 1974. IS-VVAW/WSO.

SAS OF FBI ON JUNE 27, 1974, OBSERVED ABOUT 60 DEMONSTRATORS  
GATHER IN FRONT OF VA HOSPITAL, FIRST AVENUE AND EAST 23 STREET,  
NYC AT 11:00AM. BANNERS DISPLAYED BY DEMONSTRATORS INDICATED  
VVAW/WSO AS SPONSOR. DEMONSTRATION CONSISTED OF PICKET LINE  
CHANTING AND DISTRIBUTION OF LEAFLETS WHICH PRESENTED DEMANDS OF  
VVAW/WSO AS UNIVERSAL UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY, AN END OF ALL AID TO  
CAMBODIA AND SOUTH VIETNAM, SINGLE TYPE DISCHARGE FOR ALL VETERANS,  
DECENT BENEFITS FOR ALL VETERANS AND KICK NIXON OUT PICKET  
LINE ENDED AT 11:45 A.M. AS DEMONSTRATORS PROCEED TO NEW YORK  
REGIONAL OFFICE OF VA 252 SEVENTH AVENUE, NYC.

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AT VA REGIONAL OFFICE PICKET LINE DEMONSTRATION WAS RESUMED.

AS SEVERAL DEMONSTRATORS CHAINED ACCESS TO OFFICE OF VA

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REGIONAL DIRECTOR PAUL NUGENT ON 16TH FLOOR OF BUILDING, VVAW/WSO EMBLEM AND LONG WHITE STEAMER WERE UNFURLED FROM 16TH FLOOR WINDOW. COMMUNICATION BETWEEN DEMONSTRATORS ON 16TH FLOOR OF BUILDING AND THOSE ON STREET MAINTAINED AT PUBLIC PAY TELEPHONE AT 25TH STREET AND SEVENTH AVENUE. DEMONSTRATORS OUTSIDE OF BUILDING NUMBERED ABOUT 50.

JOHN B. DE LEO, CHIEF ATTORNEY, VA REGIONAL OFFICE NYC, ADVISED OCCUPATION OF DIRECTORS OFFICE OCCURED AT ABOUT 11:50<sup>PM</sup> WHEN AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF DEMONSTRATORS ENTERED DIRECTOR NUGENT'S OFFICE AND EXPELLED NUGENT AND STAFF FROM OFFICE. DEMONSTRATORS LOCKED DOOR TO OFFICE FROM INSIDE AND BARRICADED DOORS WITH FURNITURE AND FILE CABINETS.

NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN VA OFFICIALS AND OCCUPANTS OF OFFICE CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE DAY. DEMONSTRATORS DEMANDED THAT VA PUBLICIZE VVAW/WSO DEMONSTATION IN WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC) JULY 1-4, 1974, AND PAY TRANSPORTATION COSTS FOR ALL VETERANS WHO WISHED TO ATTEND WDC DEMONSTRATION.

OCCUPANTS OF SEIZED OFFICE REFUSED TO VACATE PREMISES. NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN VA OFFICALS, GOVERNMENT SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (GSA) OFFICIALS NYC POLICE DEPARTMENT (PD) AND AN ATTORNEY FOR OVCUPANTS RESULTED IN PEACEABLE ARREST OF THE OCCUPANTS, TWELVE IN NUMBER BY NYCPD ON LOCAL CHARGE OF CRIMINAL TRESPASS, AT 7:00 P.M.  
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NOTE LEFT BY DEMONSTRATORS IN DISTRICT DIRECTORS OFFICE INDICATED REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) AND REVOLUTIONARY STUDENTS BRIGADE (RSG) PARTICIPATED IN DEMONSTRATION.

VVAW WAS FORMED IN 1967 AS AN ORGANIZATION OF VIET NAM WAR VETERANS TO PROTEST AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN WAR IN SOUTH EAST ASIA. MEMBERSHIP HAS BEEN TOLD VVAW/WSO HAS BEEN ASKED TO COOPERATE ON AN INTERNATIONAL LEVEL WITH MANY ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING COMMUNIST AND MARXIST GROUPS. IN APRIL, 1973, GROUP CHANGED NAME TO VVAW/WSO SO THAT NON-VETERANS COULD BECOME MEMBERS. CURRENT VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICEERS ARE MARXIST - LENINIST ORIENTED AND STRIKE TO EDUCATE MEMBERSHIP IN MARXIST-LENINIST DOCTRINE.

RU, FOUNDED IN 1968, IS MILITANT SEMI-COVERT ORGANIZATION ADHERING TO MARXIST-LENINIST-MAOIST LINE.

RSB, FORMERLY KNOWN AS ATTICA BRIGADE IS STUDENT BASED "ANTI-IMPERIALIST" ORGANIZATION SIGNIFICANTLY INFILTRATED BY RU.  
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RENYNITEL, JUNE 26, 1974.

OBSERVING SAS WERE [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

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## Intelligence Division

## INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 6/26/74

Attached advises of 6/25/74 demonstration at Veterans Administration (VA) Regional Office, Newark, N.J., by approximately 40 persons comprised mostly of combined representatives of Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) and the Revolutionary Union (RU). Purpose was to state demands of VVAW, denounce President Nixon and publicize 7/1-4/74 VVAW National Demonstration in Washington, D.C. Demonstrators entered VA Building but most were removed from premises by 50 Newark PD officers. No arrests or injuries. Eight demonstrators reached 5th floor office of VA Regional Director. After minor disturbance, they were permitted to discuss issues and grievances with him and thereafter departed peacefully. Demonstrators marched in circular pattern chanting slogans and carrying posters and banners.

VVAW was founded in 1967 by young veterans to protest U.S. involvement in Vietnam and has previously sponsored demonstrations, some of which have resulted in violence. Current VVAW leadership is Marxist-Leninist oriented.

RU was founded in 1968 and is a militant semi-clandestine organization ideologically oriented toward Communist China which advocates overthrow of the U.S. Government by force.

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6:55PM NITEL AUGUST 11, 1974 GJS

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

FROM BUFFALO (100-21623)

ATTN: INTD.

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR / WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO), NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),  
BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8, 1974 THROUGH AUGUST 12, 1974, IS.



RE MY NITEL AUGUST 10, 1974.

NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION DEVELOPED BY DISCRETE SPOT  
SURVEILLANCE.



BUFFALO WILL CONTINUE DISCRETE SPOT SURVEILLANCE.

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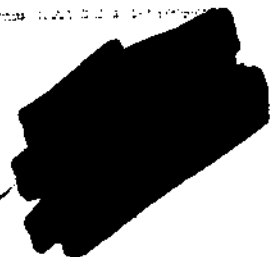
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10:55PM NITEL AUGUST 10, 1974 GJS

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)  
 CHICAGO (100-50772)  
 FROM BUFFALO (100-21623)  
 ATTN: INTD.

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
 (VVAW/WSO), NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),  
 BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8, 1974 THROUGH AUGUST 12, 1974, IS.

RE MY NITEL AUGUST 9, 1974.

TWO ADDITIONAL VEHICLES UTILIZED BY VVAW/WSO DELEGATES TO NSCM  
 IDENTIFIED ON AUGUST 10, 1974 BY SPOT SURVEILLANCE. SESSION RAN  
 FROM 9:00AM TILL 9:30PM BREAKING PERIODICALLY FOR SHORT PERIODS.

AS ANTICIPATED THERE HAS BEEN NO CONTACT WITH BU1433S OR  
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BUFFALO WILL CONTINUE DISCRETE SPOT SURVEILLANCE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/8/74

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-76873) (C)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
SM - VVAW/WSO

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Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau, 2/4/74, captioned "VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIERS ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), IS".

Referenced airtel requests the San Francisco Office to identify L. (LNU), blind, who accompanied [REDACTED] to the California - Nevada Regional Conference, San Francisco, California, 1/26 - 27/74.

A leaflet advertising a march and rally by the Redwood City Organizing Committee of the VVAW/WSO advertised a blind veteran as a speaker.

On 2/9/74, Officer [REDACTED], Redwood City, California, Police Department, stated that he believed the blind veteran referred to in this flyer was probably [REDACTED] Number [REDACTED] Redwood City, California. Officer [REDACTED] advised that his department had answered calls to this address caused by [REDACTED] molesting [REDACTED], and it had been necessary to evict [REDACTED] from [REDACTED]'s apartment. [REDACTED] determined that [REDACTED] has a Public Guardian appointed out of the San Mateo County Coroner's Office, San Mateo, California, and that Mr. [REDACTED] is the Public Guardian.

On 2/11/74, Mr. [REDACTED], California, advised that [REDACTED] is a veteran of the Vietnam War who was blinded in both eyes in that war. He is a local boy, born [REDACTED] in California, educated at [REDACTED] School, Woodside, California, and presently attends Canada College, Redwood City, California.

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*[Handwritten initials]*

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██████████ stated that ██████████, because of his affliction, tends to cling to someone who takes notice of him and became involved with ██████████ in this manner. ██████████ stated that he knew ██████████ to have become involved with the VVAW/WSO through ██████████ but is certain that ██████████ is not sympathetic with the group.

He stated that ██████████ has contacted him on several occasions because ██████████ is harassing him, and he does not want to have anything to do with ██████████. ██████████ stated he is certain that ██████████ would talk with the FBI, and he would advise ██████████ that Agents would contact him in the near future.

██████████ was interviewed at his residence, ██████████ Street, Apartment 4A, Redwood City, California, on 3/4/74. He stated he had been introduced to the VVAW/WSO through ██████████ and had attended a meeting at San Francisco State University, San Francisco, California, with ██████████ on 1/26 - 27/74.

██████████ advised that he first met ██████████ at Canada College, Redwood City, California, where he now attends, some 3 1/2 years ago, and has known him to some degree for the past 2 years. ██████████ asked him to attend the conference, and he did so thinking that it was a group oriented simply against the war in Vietnam. ██████████ stated that he has total blindness as a result of a missile explosion in Vietnam in January, 1968.

██████████ during the interview, furnished information which he recalled from the above meeting, as well as information regarding individuals whose names he recalled in attendance at this meeting.

██████████ further advised that ██████████ had utilized his address as the mailing address for the Redwood City Organizing Committee of the VVAW/WSO, and at the time of interview, he furnished a considerable amount of mail which he had received from the organization.

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[REDACTED] has subsequently been contacted on 6/12/74 and again at this time furnished additional mail which he had received from the organization at his address.

b7c [REDACTED] San Francisco Office contemplates recontact of [REDACTED] in the future to ascertain if he has or obtains any other information which may be of interest to this office. However, because of his disability and because of the instability of [REDACTED], his only source, efforts are not being made to develop him as a source of information nor to encourage in any way his association with [REDACTED]

San Francisco will conduct no further investigation in this matter and will place it in a closed status.



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10:19 PM NITEL 8/7/74 RRH

TO: DIRECTOR (100-448092)

CHICAGO (100-55432)

MILWAKEE

FROM: OMAHA (100-9293) (P) 5P

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DEMONSTRATION AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON, WEST BRANCH, IOWA,  
AUGUST 10, 1974, WCPP P.M. IS-RSB; VVAW/WSO

ON AUGUST 7, 1974, SOURCES, WHO HAVE FURNISHED RELIABLE  
INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT THE FOLLOWING WAS A  
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES TO BE CONDUCTED ON AUGUST 10,  
1974, SPONSORED BY REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE (RSB), IN  
IOWA CITY, IOWA;

9:00 A.M.

RSB MARSHALS AND TACTICAL COMMITTEE WILL MEET IN THE  
PEOPLE'S INFORMATION CENTER OF CENTER EAST, 104 EAST JEFFERSON,  
IOWA CITY, IOWA, TO PLAN FINAL TACTICS AND PROCEDURES TO BE  
USED AT CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION.

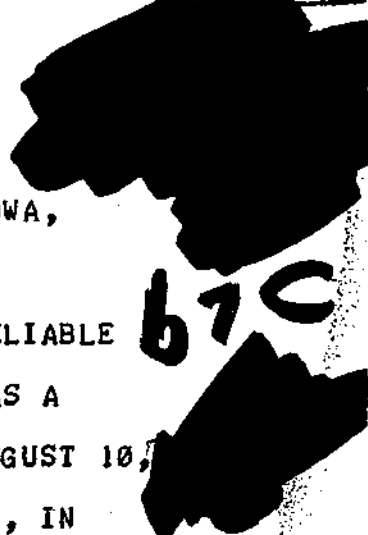
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1:00AM NITEL AUGUST 9, 1974 DMB

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

FROM BUFFALO (100-21623)

ATTN: INTD



VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO), NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),  
BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8, 1974 THROUGH AUGUST 12, 1974,  
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RE MYNITEL AUGUST 8, 1974.

SPOT SURVEILLANCE IN VICINITY OF VVAW/WSO NATIONAL STEERING  
COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM) LOCATION IDENTIFIED ADDITIONAL OUT OF  
STATE VEHICLES UTILIZED BY DELEGATES TO NSCM. MEETING COMMENCED  
AT 9:00 PM AND BEGAN BREAKING UP 9:15 PM, BREAKS TAKEN PERIODICALLY.  
DELEGATES OBSERVED DRIVING FROM MEETING SITE TOWARDS DIFFERENT  
DIRECTIONS. DOOR TO MEETING SITE LOCKED AT 9:50 PM AFTER ALL  
DELEGATES HAD DEPARTED.

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BUFFALO WILL CONTINUE DISCRETE SPOT SURVEILLANCE TO DETERMINE

VEHICLES USED BY DELEGATES:

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10:00 A.M.

RALLY AT THE PENTACREST, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA CAMPUS, IOWA CITY, IOWA, IN AN ATTEMPT TO GAIN LOCAL SUPPORT FOR DEMONSTRATION AT WEST BRANCH, IOWA.

10:30 A.M.

MARCH FROM THE PENTACREST, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA, IOWA CITY, TO CITY PARK, LOCATED ON PARK STREET OFF OF NORTH DUBUQUE STREET, WHERE A SECOND RALLY WILL BE HELD, AGAIN IN HOPES OF GAINING ADDITIONAL SUPPORT AND DEMONSTRATORS FROM IOWA CITY, IOWA.

11:00 A.M.

DEPART CITY PARK, IOWA CITY, IOWA, BY CAR CARAVAN TRAVELING INTERSTATE 80 TO WEST BRANCH, IOWA.

THE FOLLOWING DISRUPTIVE ACTIVITIES WERE BEING CONSIDERED TO BE USED AT CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION:

1. MASSIVE DEMONSTRATION IN PARKING LOT INVOLVING SIGNS, BANNERS, SONGS, AND SLOGANS.
2. INFILTRATE CROWD WITH HIDDEN BANNERS AND SIGNS TO BE DISPLAYED BY DEMONSTRATORS AT APPROPRIATE TIME.

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3. ATTEMPT TO GET CLOSE TO SPEAKERS' PLATFORM IN ORDER TO GAIN PUBLIC ATTENTION AND BE VIEWED BY NEWS MEDIA IN ATTENDANCE AT HERBERT HOOVER ACTIVITIES.

SOURCES ADVISED THAT NO VIOLENCE OR DIRECT CONFRONTATION WAS PLANNED OR ANTICIPATED.

SOURCES ADVISED THAT THE FOLLOWING CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBERS HAVE BEEN LISTED ON LEAFLETS DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF IOWA CONCERNING CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION FOR INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS WHO WANT TO OBTAIN MORE DETAILS AND INFORMATION CONCERNING THE WEST BRANCH, IOWA, DEMONSTRATION.

IOWA CITY, IOWA - 319-338-3984

AMES, IOWA - 515-292-2875

GRINNELL, IOWA - 515-528-4792

MADISON, WISCONSIN - 608-255-6974

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN - 414-264-2881

THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WERE FURNISHED APPROPRIATE INFORMATION CONCERNING ABOVE-CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION: TOM HENRY, HEAD RANGER, HOOVER MEMORIAL, WEST BRANCH, IOWA;  
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CAPTAIN [REDACTED] (PH), IOWA HIGHWAY PATROL; [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, IOWA CITY, IOWA;

[REDACTED] CHIEF OF CAMPUS SECURITY, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA,  
IOWA CITY, IOWA; SHERIFF GARY HAUGHES, JOHNSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
OFFICE, IOWA CITY, IOWA; [REDACTED] U. S. SECRET SERVICE,  
DES MOINES, IOWA.

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RE OMAHA TEL TO BUREAU JULY 29, 1974, AND CHICAGO AND  
MILWAUKEE TELS TO BUREAU AUGUST 6, 1974.

SOURCES UTILIZED: [REDACTED]

CHICAGO AND MILWAUKEE SOURCES TRAVELING TO WEST BRANCH,  
IOWA, MAY CONTACT SA [REDACTED] 319-365 [REDACTED] FROM  
7:00 A.M., AUGUST 10, 1974, THROUGH COMPLETION OF DEMONSTRATION  
ACTIVITIES IF URGENT INFORMATION CONCERNING ANY ACTS OF  
VIOLENCE IS OBTAINED.

HEAD RANGER [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT 50 FEDERAL PARK  
RANGERS, 50 IOWA ~~HIGAY~~ <sup>HIGHWAY PATROL PERSONNEL</sup> ~~RSNEW~~ AND 30 SPECIAL  
TACTIC AND CROWD CONTROL OFFICERS WILL BE ON DUTY AT WEST  
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BRANCH, IOWA, DURING TIME OF DEMONSTRATION.

CHICAGO AND MILWAUKEE WILL FURNISH SOURCES TRAVELING TO WEST BRANCH, IOWA, NAME AND NUMBER TO CONTACT AND WILL SUTEL APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS TRAVELING TO WEST BRANCH, IOWA, CAN BE ADVISED.

MILWAUKEE WILL FURNISH CODE NAME OF SOURCE TRAVELING TO WEST BRANCH, IOWA.

OMAHA AT IOWA CITY, IOWA, AND WEST BRANCH, IOWA, WILL KEEP BUREAU AND INTERESTED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES CURRENTLY ADVISED CONCERNING CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION.

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9:45 PM NITEL 8-8-74 RWR

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

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SAC, [REDACTED]

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DEMONSTRATION AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON, WEST BRANCH,  
IOWA, AUGUST 10, 1974, 2:00 PM, IS - RSB; VVAW/MSO.

RE [REDACTED] TEL TO FBIHQ DATED AUGUST 6, 1974,  
AND [REDACTED] TEL TO FBIHQ, DATED AUGUST 7, 1974.

DUE TO EASE WITH WHICH SOURCE COULD BE IDENTIFIED,  
THIS COMMUNICATION NOT BEING PREPARED IN FORM SUITABLE  
FOR DISSEMINATION. [REDACTED] IS REQUESTED TO TAKE PARTICULAR  
CARE IN ANY INFORMATION DISSEMINATED TO OUTSIDE AGENCIES  
TO PROTECT [REDACTED] SOURCE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THERE WAS A MEETING  
AND [REDACTED]

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP ON *7/25/78 JLS*  
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REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) WHICH INCLUDED [REDACTED]

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FOR MEETING WAS TO DETERMINE WHAT NATIONAL HEAD-  
QUARTERS VVAW ALSO WANTED IN WAY OF POSTER SLOGANS IN  
EVENT PRESIDENT NIXON RESIGNS PRIOR TO DEMONSTRATION.  
IT WAS DECIDED TO KEEP SLOGANS AS PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED  
BUT TO CHANGE "IMPEACH NIXON", AND LIKE SLOGANS, TO  
"WE ALREADY THREW HIM OUT-NOW LET 'S GET THE SYSTEM",  
AND SIMILAR SLOGANS. ALSO, SHOULD PRESIDENT NIXON  
RESIGN, DEMONSTRATION BE A COMBINED VICTORY AND  
ANTI-IMPERIALIST DEMONSTRATION. (u)

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[REDACTED] CHICAGO (PHONE  
268 [REDACTED] WILL HOLD RU FUND RAISING FUNCTION COMMENCING  
8:00 PM, AUGUST 9, 1974, AT HER RESIDENCE, CHARGING  
\$1.50 PER PERSON. RU HOPES THAT ALL INDIVIDUALS WHO  
ATTEND FUNCTION WILL LEAVE BY CAR CARAVAN A.M. OF  
AUGUST 10, 1974, FOR CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION. RU FEELS  
APPROXIMATELY 200 MEMBERS, RU AND REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT  
BRIGADE (RSB), CHICAGO, WILL ATTEND DEMONSTRATION. SOURCE  
FEELS A TOTAL OF 20 MEMBERS, RU, RSB, AND VVAW/WSO IS A  
MORE REASONABLE FIGURE (u)

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SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED SAM SCHORR, NATIONAL  
COORDINATOR, VVAW/WSO, STATED HE COULD NOT RECOMMEND  
VIOLENCE AT DEMONSTRATION AS VVAW/WSO WAS NOT ACTUALLY  
A SPONSOR BUT ONLY LENDING RU AND RSB ADVICE AND  
EXPERTISE, HOWEVER, IF SOMEONE CUT THE WIRES TO THE  
PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM AT WEST BRANCH DURING THE  
DEMONSTRATION, HE WOULD NOT OBJECT. (X) ~

[REDACTED], SET FORTH IN RE CHICAGO TEL, IDENTIFIED  
[REDACTED] AVENUE,  
CHICAGO, TELEPHONE NUMBER 485-[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] (X) ~  
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11:02PM NITEL AUGUST 8, 1974 GJS

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

FROM BUFFALO (100-21623)

ATTN: INTD.



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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR / WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO), NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),  
BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8, 1974 THROUGH AUGUST 12, 1974,  
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ON AUGUST 8, 1974 SPOT SURVEILLANCE CONDUCTED AT  
BUFFALO CHAPTER VVAW/WSO STOREFRONT 303 CONNECTICUTT STREET,  
SITE OF REGISTRATION FOR VVAW/WSO NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE  
MEETING. BETWEEN 9:00AM AND 8:00PM, SEVERAL VEHICLES BEARING  
OUT OF STATE LICENSE PLATES AND INDIVIDUALS APPEARING TO BE  
VVAW/WSO MEMBERS OBSERVED IN VICINITY OF STOREFRONT.

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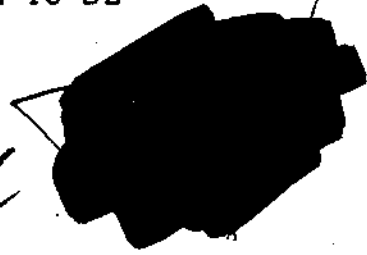
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ON AUGUST 6, 1974 [REDACTED] ADVISED DELEGATES TO NSCM  
WILL BE HOUSED AT RESIDENCES OF BUFFALO CHAPTER MEMBERS. IN  
VIEW OF THIS FACT BUFFALO DOES NOT ANTICIPATE ANY CONTACT WITH

[REDACTED] OR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WILL CONDUCT DISCRETE SURVEILLANCE AT SITE  
OF NSCM, UNIVERSALIST - UNITARIAN CHURCH ELMWOOD AVE., BUFFALO;  
DURING PERIOD AUGUST 9, 1974 THROUGH AUGUST 12, 1974.

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TO: DIRECTOR (100-448092)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

FROM: BUFFALO (100-21623)

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(VVAW/WSO), NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),  
BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8, 1974 THORUGH AUGUST 12, 1974, IS.

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RE MY NITEL AUGUST 11, 1974.

NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION DEVELOPED BY DISCRETE SPOT  
SURVEILLANCE.

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BUFFALO WILL SUBMIT COMPREHENSIVE LHM AS PER INSTRUCTIONS  
IN SAC LETTER 72-3.

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TO: DIRECTOR (100-445092)

CHICAGO (100-55432)

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FROM: *Vietnam Veterans Against the War*  
OMAHA (100-9293)

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DEMONSTRATION AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON, WEST BRANCH, IOWA, AUGUST 10, 1974. WOPP P.M. IS-RS3; VVAV/WSO.

ON AUGUST 10, 1974 SOURCES WHO HAVE FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION ACTIVITIES PREVIOUSLY PLANNED FOR IOWA CITY, IOWA, AND WEST BRANCH, IOWA, HAD BEEN CANCELLED AND REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE (RSB) REPRESENTATIVES FROM IOWA CITY; MADISON, WISCONSIN; AND CHICAGO, ILLINOIS; DECIDED TO STAGE VICTORY DEMONSTRATIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREAS TO DEMONSTRATE THE RSB VICTORY AGAINST IMPERIALISM WHICH WAS SHOWN BY THE RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON. SOURCES ADVISED THE IOWA CITY CHAPTER OF THE RSB WAS PLANNING TO SPONSOR A PEOPLES VICTORY RALLY TO BE HELD AUGUST 10, 1974

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AT 11 A.M. ON THE PENTACREST, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA (UI),  
IOWA CITY, IOWA.

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CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF SUPPORT.

ON AUGUST 10, 1974, [REDACTED] RANGER, HOOVER  
MEMORIAL, WEST BRANCH, IOWA, ADVISED THERE WAS NO DEMONSTRATION  
ACTIVITIES OF ANY TYPE DURING SECRETARY MORTON'S SPEECH  
WHICH BEGAN AT 2 P.M., AUGUST 10, 1974, AND ENDED AT  
APPROXIMATELY 3 P.M. b7c

NO ARRESTS OR ACTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRED AT EITHER  
WEST BRANCH OR IN IOWA CITY, IOWA.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE OMAHA NITEL TO BUREAU AUGUST 7, 1974; CHICAGO NITEL  
TO BUREAU, AUGUST 8, 1974; AND MILWAUKEE NITEL TO BUREAU,  
AUGUST 12, 1974.

SOURCES UTILIZED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED BY THE OMAHA DIVISION.

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TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: OMAHA

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DEMONSTRATION AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON, WEST BRANCH,  
IOWA, AUGUST 12, 1974. WOPP P.M. IS-RS3; VVAN/WSO.

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  - RUEBWJA/  Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
    - and Internal Security Section
    - and General Crimes Section
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~~TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)~~

~~SAC, OMAHA (100-92937)~~

~~FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-55432) (RUC)~~

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Synopsis:

VVAW/WSO National Headquarters located 827 West  
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Paper," which is basis for operation of VVAW/WSO, set  
forth. VVAW/WSO Chapters and Regions listed as well  
as observations regarding their operations. Aims,  
purposes and objectives set forth. Former and current  
officers listed as well as their duties and political  
beliefs. Estimated membership, 2,000. VVAW/WSO  
publishes "Winter Soldier" newspaper, a general  
information type newsletter and "VVAW/WSO GI News," a  
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The Vietnam Veterans Against The War (VVAW) was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam Veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. Since that time, VVAW leaders have told members that VVAW is a revolutionary group, not "just another group of war veterans." Also the membership has been told the VVAW has been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations, including communist and Maoist groups. Additionally it was indicated that "anti-imperialist groups" consider the VVAW a potent organization of similar stature in the U.S. In April, 1973, the group changed their name to Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) so that non-veterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine.

DETAILS:

During the April 19 - 22, 1973 VVAW National Steering Committee Meeting, Placitas, New Mexico, it was voted to change the name of the VVAW to Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO).

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The June, 1973 issue of "Winter Soldier", the official publication of the VVAW/WSO, stated that the primary reason WSO was added to the VVAW name was not to change direction but to recognize the work of many non-veterans in the organization. Also, they indicated this would allow them to broaden their base and allow for women and non-veterans to assume leadership positions within the organization.

Characterizations of organizations and individuals mentioned in this report are set out in the appendix section of the report where suitable information was available.

I. ORGANIZATION

A. Incorporation

On October 18, 1973, [REDACTED] Corporation Division, Secretary of States Office, State of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois, advised that a search of their records revealed that on June 18, 1973, Articles of Incorporation, under the General Not For Profit Corporation Act was filed by the VVAW/WSO. The Board of Directors were listed as SAMUEL R. SCHORR, BRIAN ADAMS and EDWARD J. DAMATO, all of whom listed an address of 827 West Newport, Chicago, Illinois. This is the same address listed for the VVAW/WSO Headquarters. The registered agent is listed as SAMUEL R. SCHORR.

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B. Location

The National Office of VVAW/WSO, is located at 827 West Newport Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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C. Structure

VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meetings are hereafter being referred to as NSCM.

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PREFACE:

This document is the end result of all decisions made at past National Steering Committee Meetings which affect the structure, functions, responsibilities, policy, and basic operation of VVAW/WSO. The 'Working Paper' is the basis for the operation of VVAW/WSO and is, in fact, the 'Constitution' of VVAW/WSO. As changes, additions, and deletions are made by future meetings of the National Steering Committee, this Working Paper will reflect those decisions.

I. StructureA. National Office—Six Coordinators (elected) and staff (appointed by coordinators)

1. Election of Coordinators—Nominations for openings will be taken on one NSCM to fill vacancies at the next NSCM. Nominees will return to their regions to make preparations for possible election to the national office. As nominees make decisions on whether or not they can accept the nomination, they will inform the National Office of their decision, with the National Office relaying this to the regions and chapters. Decisions must be sent in one month prior to the next NSCM with elections taking place at that NSCM.

a. Requirements for National Coordinator

1. Must be a Vietnam Veteran
2. Must have worked on a local and/or regional level for at least one year prior to their nomination.
3. National Coordinators of VVAW/WSO cannot be an officer in any other organization.

- b. The National Office staff will be increased and expanded so that more time can be devoted to specific areas of work.

2. Functions and Responsibilities

- a. Internal Liason—Responsible for keeping open lines of communication between the National Office and the regions and chapters; this is to be done by written correspondence, phone calls, and personal visits.
- b. External Liason—Responsible for keeping in contact with other foreign and domestic, anti-war, anti-imperialist, progressive, and revolutionary organizations. Also responsible for gathering literature and information from other organizations and resource centers for analysis and dissemination to the chapters and the regions.
- c. Finances—Responsible for raising money for National Office operating costs, national actions, and national projects. Also responsible for keeping straight all financial records and preparing such financial records, budgets and expected income.
- d. Political Prisoners—Responsible for collecting and disseminating information on as many political prisoners and defense committees as possible, to the regions and chapters.
- e. Political Analysis—Responsible for gathering information on all issues and events, both domestic and foreign, to study and analyze, to connect these issues together and show how one affects the other, and then disseminate the analyses to the chapters and regions and to other organizations, resource centers, and alternate media for further dissemination.

- f. Winter Soldier--Responsible for collecting articles and pictures for the paper, both from within and without VVAW/WSO, layout the paper and making sure the emphasis of the paper is political education.
  - g. Membership--Responsible for updating the national membership list, adding and deleting names and changes of addresses, and to send out information packets to new members and to forward their names to their respective regional and chapter office. Confidential
  - h. Coordination of actions, projects, and programs--The National Office is a central gathering point for information from regions, chapters, and other organizations, on actions, projects, and programs for dissemination to the regions, chapters, and other interested organizations.
3. Regional Offices--As the regional structure varies thru-out the organization with regions having either a regional coordinator, regional collective, or a regional steering committee, the term 'regional officers' applies to whatever form of structure exists in your region.
1. Elections--Regional Officers will be elected by the membership of that region. Regional Officers will serve for a fixed period of one year and may be re-elected for a second term. Regional Officers may be removed from office at any time by the membership of that region. Regional Officers must be a Vietnam Veteran.
  2. Functions and Responsibilities
    - a. The main function of Regional Officers is to make sure that chapters are actually strong functioning chapters. This will also prevent the problems of cooptation and the need to incorporate regions. A list of the functioning chapters should be sent to the National Office with a synopsis of strengths and weaknesses of each chapter.
    - b. Regional Officers have the obligation and responsibility of traveling as regularly as is practical throughout their regions to organize and coordinate all VVAW/WSO activities.
    - c. Regional Officers will be the official representatives of VVAW/WSO in their respective regions.
    - d. Regional Officers will be responsible for and have full authority to make all decisions relative to VVAW/WSO operations consistent with VVAW/WSO philosophy and policy as determined by the NSC.
    - e. Regional Officers will be supported in all decisions consistent with VVAW/WSO philosophy and policy, by the National Office and the NSC.
    - f. Each region should examine their own area and determine the strategy which will be the most successful in order to more effectively organize that region under their individual circumstances. This strategy should be submitted to the National Office.
    - g. Regional Officers will be responsible for the maintenance of communications between the National Office and the chapters in their respective regions.
    - h. Regional Officers will convene regional meetings quarterly. These meetings will be convened for the purpose of elections and/or advising the NSC and delegations of proxies at it's regular scheduled meetings.
    - i. Regional Officers will be responsible for making recommendations to the National Office relative to the granting or terminating of chapter charters within their respective region.
    - j. Regional Officers will be responsible for having a representative to cover

- their respective region when he/she is not available.
- k. Regional Officers and/or their representatives with a written proxy, will be required to attend all National Steering Committee Meetings, whether they are regularly scheduled, non-scheduled, or emergency meetings.
  - l. Regional Officers will be responsible for establishing media and political contacts within their respective regions.
  - m. Regional Officers will be responsible for the calling of press conferences and the issuances of press releases and statements at the request of the National Office and/or the NSC.
  - n. Regional Officers will be expected to support all national fund-raising drives initiated by the NSC.

### C. Chapter Level

#### 1. Criteria for chapters and members

- a. Member: A member is one who works for and supports the objectives of VVAW/WSO.
- b. Chapter: A chapter is a group of members who continue to work on a day-to-day basis for the objectives, and in accordance with national policy and structure. The size of a chapter should be determined so that the chapter is capable of working in a viable way to be effective within the population of its given area. Each chapter must be accredited by the Regional Office.

#### 2. Survival

- a. Education of the organization for the membership on the following:
    - 1. Structure of VVAW/WSO
    - 2. Functions and responsibilities of VVAW/WSO on all levels.
    - 3. History of VVAW/WSO.
    - 4. On-going education around the ten objectives of VVAW/WSO
    - 5. Education of the War in Vietnam and U. S. Imperialism.
  - b. Find out what the interests of the membership are:
    - 1. What do they think VVAW/WSO should be concentrating on?
    - 2. What will they themselves work on?
    - 3. What resources and skills beneficial to VVAW/WSO do they possess?
  - c. Combine friendship between the membership with a sense of common goals and common purpose. (A balance between these two should lead to the optimum of effectiveness.)
3. Each chapter must have a Post Office Box where feasible and sensible so that problems with transient addresses can be alleviated. If a chapter has a permanent office, it need not have a P. O. Box.

D. NOSCAM (National Office for Servicepeople's Counseling and Material)  
 NOSCAM is the VVAW/WSO national G. I. liaison office which is located in Dayton, Ohio. The purpose of NOSCAM is to establish a transition from the G. I. movement to VVAW/WSO.

#### E. National Defense Committee/National Defense Fund

- 1. To establish a National Committee to Defend VVAW/WSO and all political prisoners.
- 7 Purpose: To defend VVAW/WSO, its members engaged in VVAW/WSO activities, and all political prisoners from any and all repressive political

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attacks by the U. S. Government against VVAW/WSO in organization and against all other political prisoners.

**Function:** To coordinate all information and propaganda between local defense committees and the press and regions of VVAW/WSO. To coordinate fund-raising and dissemination of those funds to the local committees under political attack and to raise money for continuing defense efforts.

**Structure:** To be directed by the VVAW/WSO NSC. To be comprised of one member from each local defense committee and one national coordinator. To be responsible for the collection and dispersal at the national level of necessary information and materials. This committee is to meet together, either by phone or in person, to fulfill the needs of each local defense committee.

2. Membership of LDC on NDC will be decided by a vote of the NSC.
3. The NDC must secure the approval of the LDCs, by phone or in person, for the use of any funds ear-marked for the NDC for other than direct dispersal to the appropriate LDC. Each LDC and the National Office will have one vote.
4. If the LDC decides to remove it's representative from the NDC, that representative is no longer on the NDC. A new representative to the NDC must be appointed immediately by the LDC.
5. Monthly financial reports must be sent from each LDC to the National Office to be kept on file. These reports are available to all NSC members and will be presented at the NSCM.
6. Monthly status reports from each LDC must be sent to the National Office.
7. A monthly newsletter must be sent to all regions by the NDC.
8. LDC should coordinate with regional offices so we can expand our contacts.
9. There are two local defense committees which have been recognized by the NSC. These are:
  - a. VVAW Gaineville 8 Conspiracy Defense Committee
  - b. Gary Lawton Defense Committee.

#### F. National Steering Committee.

The NSC is the governing body of VVAW/WSO. The NSC is comprised of the regional delegations of VVAW/WSO.

**Functions and Procedures of the NSC:**

1. The function of the National Steering Committee will be to define the philosophy, establish the policy, formulate the programs and determine the activities of VVAW/WSO on the national level.
2. The National Steering Committee is empowered to develop and implement organizational training programs.
  - a. These training programs may be implemented on a national level with various regions participating.
  - b. These training programs may also be implemented on a regional level.
3. National organizers and national representatives are authorized to travel through-out the organization for purposes of internal liason. Internal Liason is defined as:
  - a. Coordination of national VVAW/WSO activities and programs.
  - b. Support of regular VVAW/WSO activities and programs as requested.
  - c. Evaluation and assessment of the strengths and weaknesses of VVAW/WSO.
4. National organizers are authorized to travel and organize in non-functioning regions (as determined by the National Steering Committee.)
5. The National Steering Committee is empowered to determine whether or not a region is non-functional.

6. The National Steering Committee is empowered to ~~cancel~~ weak or non-functioning regions ~~and~~ other regions, and this is to be done on a case-by-case basis.
7. Division of regions requires a two-thirds majority vote by the NSC.
8. The National Steering Committee, at its discretion, may audit the VVAW/WSO books without prior notice of its intentions to the National Office.
9. The National Steering Committee Meetings: <sup>CONFIDENTIAL</sup>
  - a. The NSC will meet three times a year with provisions for emergency meetings which would supersede regular NSCM. The Regional Office in whose region the NSCM is to be held will be responsible for the logistics of the meeting, preparing the agenda, soliciting and disseminating agenda items which it receives to all the regions.
  - b. Emergency meetings of the National Steering Committee will be convened at the request of the National Office after canvassing by phone the members of the NSC with two-thirds of the regions responding and a simple majority of that number concurring with the request.
  - c. The National Steering Committee may convene a non-scheduled meeting upon the request of any single member of that body if the request is concurred with by a simple majority of that body as determined by telephone canvass of all members with no less than two-thirds responding.
  - d. Authorized quorum for NSCM.  
Each region will contact the national office prior to a scheduled meeting of the NSC to confirm their attendance at the meeting. Two-thirds of the regions planning to attend will constitute a quorum for the first session. Afterwards, two-thirds of the regions present will constitute a quorum.
  - e. Seating of Delegates:  
Each region has five votes on all issues so as to reflect all views of their delegation. Each region will be allowed only five working delegates at any one time along with three alternate delegates for a total of eight delegates from any one region. Only the five working delegates will be seated at any one time. A rotation of delegates with regard as to whom is a working delegate may occur. Logistical workers from the host region (security, food preparation, etc) are exempt from the above provisions.
  - f. Proxy Votes:  
Each region and the National Office can have only one written proxy and this proxy is to apply to all votes on specific issues unless otherwise specified. These proxies are to be turned into the Chair at the beginning of the NSCM.

## I. Communications.

### A. Regional Communications.

1. From the Regional Office to the Chapters.
  - a. A bi-weekly newsletter to chapters to include regional and national news.
  - b. Personal contact by phone at least once a month with each chapter.
  - c. Physical presence at chapter meetings at least once every six months.
2. From Chapters to their Regional Office.
  - a. Bi-weekly letter to the regional office outlining problems, needs, etc.

- b. Monthly phone call to the regional office.
  - c. Chapter representative present at the regional office at least once every three months.
  - d. Mailings sent to chapter membership and other chapters once a month.
3. Regional meetings at least once every three months to be held prior to the National Steering Committee Meeting.

#### B. National Communications.

- 1. From the National Office.
  - a. Bi-weekly newsletter to regional offices and all local chapters.
  - b. Personal contact by phone at least twice a month with all regional offices.
  - c. National Coordinators should attend as many regional meetings as possible.
  - d. The Winter Soldier will be mailed to all members once a month or drop-shipped to regions at their request.
- 2. From the Regional Offices.
  - a. Bi-weekly newsletter to the National Office.
  - b. Phone calls to the National Office at least twice a month.
  - c. Regional representatives to visit the National Office for one week each year.
  - d. Regions have access to national newsletter and National Coordinators.
  - e. Bi-monthly newsletter to all other regions.

- C. Whenever possible, regions should submit names of individuals working on specific projects to the National Office. This information is to be sent out in the national newsletter so that projects and programs can be better coordinated through-out the country. This will facilitate the establishment of good lines of communications around projects and programs between chapters, regions, and the National Office. All chapters should send a list of their specific programs and projects to the National Office so that a comprehensive list of all projects can be compiled and made available to all the chapters and regions.

### III. Finances

- A. 50% of all monies raised by the National Office on speaking gigs will go to the region that the speaking took place in.
- B. Any region or VVAW/WSO program that receives a contribution of \$200 or more will forward that name and address to the National Office. If the contribution comes from a national program, the name and address will be forwarded to the appropriate region for a personal thank you only.
- C. The National Office will prepare a projected budget for itself for each NSCM.

### IV. Delegate Selection for National and International Meetings.

Any time that there is an international or national meeting and there is not time to coordinate the delegate selection with the National Steering Committee, then regions are to select representatives and send the names and biographies to the National Office for coordination. The biographies are to state who the member is, what he/she is doing and why they are going. The National Office is to give each representative a letter prior to the meeting stating that he/she is an official VVAW/WSO representative. All of the above information is to be published in the newsletter so that the regions will be aware of who is attending conferences



as official VVAW/WSO representatives.

### Policy on Dealing with Unprincipled Organizations.

The following policy is put forward in lieu that certain political organizations (specifically the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) and their affiliates, National Peace Action Coalition (NPAC), the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA), Student Mobilization Committee (SMC), and the Women's National Abortion Action Coalition (WNAAC); the Progressive Labor Party (PLP) and their affiliates, Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), and Workers Action Movement (WAM); Workers World and their affiliates, Youth Against War and Fascism (YAWF), and American Servicemen's Union (ASU), engage in attempts to split or co-opt other organizations in order to achieve their goals.

That in the past these attacks have been made against VVAW/WSO as SWP attacks upon the regions of Illinois, New York, California, Ohio, Texas, New England, Missouri, Colorado, Etc;

That in the past PLP has attacked California, Texas, New England, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Florida, New York, etc;

That in the past Workers World through their affiliates YAWF and ASU have directed attacks against Illinois, New York, etc;

That none of these organizations support the Vietnamese people in their struggle for liberation and self-determination, the 7-point proposal of the PRG, or the 9-point agreement reach by the U.S., the DRV, and the PRG;

We resolve the following:

That VVAW/WSO chapters, be they local, regional, or national, shall not form any alliances with any of the above mentioned organizations and parties specifically, and any other parties and organizations which by nature use means of co-optation or splitting tactics on other organizations to obtain their objectives;

That VVAW/WSO cadre, be they local, regional, or national, shall not place the objectives of other political organizations to which they may belong before the objectives of VVAW/WSO;

That all members of VVAW/WSO, after sufficient time for education, must support the Vietnamese people, the 7-point proposal of the PRG, and the 9-point records of October 1972, and that failure to do so may be grounds for expulsion from VVAW/WSO.

### Miscellaneous.

1. Any region may send \$5 to the National Office which will be held in escrow for the purpose of paying for emergency collect phone calls.
2. That we do in fact accept "Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization" name with no limit set on either name being dropped and with the idea that we will in the future, examine our political situation domestically and abroad to determine that this name is appropriate.

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On May 24, 1974, [REDACTED] furnished the following observations regarding the aforementioned VVAW/WSO Regional and Chapter List: *QU*

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The following analyzation of the current Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) Regional breakdown is a current analyzation by the VVAW/WSO National Staff as obtained through discussions with National Staff members: *QU*

The Alabama - Mississippi - Tennessee Region is considered for all practical purposes to be defunct based upon very limited activity from this region over recent months. [REDACTED] is still functioning on behalf of the VVAW/WSO in the Browns, Alabama area. *QU*

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The Alaska-Washington Region is for all practical purposes considered to be defunct and it is believed this region currently has no regional office. *QU*

The California-Nevada Region is still considered an active and viable region, however, all activity is concentrated in the California area. Those VVAW/WSO members in the Nevada area are tending to support the organization known as the American Veterans Movement. *QU*

The Arizona-New Mexico Region is still considered a functioning region, but has exhibited very little activity in recent months. *QU*

The Colorado-Utah-Wyoming Region is considered to be an active and viable region of the VVAW/WSO. *QU*

The Connecticut-Rhode Island Region is considered active, however, various VVAW/WSO National Staff members have indicated this region is comprised of basically only one individual (not further identified). *QU*

The Delaware-Eastern Pennsylvania-South New Jersey Region is considered for all purposes to be defunct. *QU*

The Maryland-Virginia-Washington D.C. Region is considered to be an active region, however, the majority of activity stems from those members in the Washington, D.C. area who number approximately eight. *QU*

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The New York-Northern New Jersey Region is considered to be the second most active region following the Ohio region. The majority of activity within this region is concentrated in the New York City and Buffalo areas. *ku*

The North Carolina-South Carolina Region is considered for all practical purposes to be defunct although several VVAW/WSO members may still function in this area. *ku*

The Oregon Region is considered for all practical purposes to be a defunct region. *ku*

The Texas Region is considered to be an active region, however, these members take a very passive role in the majority of VVAW/WSO activity. *ku*

On the international level the VVAW/WSO maintains an office in London, England staffed by several individuals for the purpose of maintaining contact with American GIs. *ku*

The Office maintained in Kailua, Hawaii is for all practical purposes considered to be defunct. *ku*

Various VVAW/WSO National Staff members still maintain that VVAW/WSO offices in Japan continue to be actively contacting American GIs for purposes of maintaining liaison between this organization and military personnel. *ku*

## II. AIMS AND PURPOSES

The objectives of the VVAW/WSO as stated in the April, 1974 issue of "Winter Soldier" are as follows:

- "1. To demand an immediate cessation of fighting and the withdrawal of all American troops, planes, and military and economic aid from Southeast Asia. We cannot allow one more human being to be killed in Southeast Asia. We support as a basis for the cessation of these hostilities the various peace proposals of the People of Southeast Asia or such future plans as they develop based upon their right of self-determination and actual control of their own destinies.

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"2. To demand the immediate termination of all other operations by the United States Government, its agencies, and American business interests that are designed to suppress the rightful struggles for liberation and self-determination of the Peoples of Africa, Asia and Latin America. This includes the maintenance of dictatorial governments, economic domination and the theft of the natural resources of other countries. The United States should make reparations in a program acceptable to the Indochinese for all of the damage done by the United States.

"3. To demand that all active-duty servicemen and women, reservists and national guardsmen be afforded the same rights that are guaranteed by the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights that are presently denied by the Uniform Code of Military Justice. We are appalled that our active-duty GIs are treated as less than first class citizens. We endorse the efforts of our active-duty sisters and brothers in their struggle to democratize the military.

"4. To support all military personnel refusing to serve against their consciences in wars at home and abroad. We demand that Congress enact legislation for the immediate repatriation of those brothers and sisters who are in prison, or in self-exile by reason of their refusal to serve in the military. It must also involve an end to all repression and a freeing of all political prisoners.

"5. To demand there be no distinctions as to types of discharges and that a single type of discharge be issued, and that this be retroactive. We also demand all veterans receive all rights and benefits under the VA; and that compensation for disabilities be based solely upon the degree of disability for veterans and their families, without regard to sex, race, rank or length of service.

"6. To make clear that the United States has never undertaken an extensive, open investigation of American war crimes in Indochina. In its war in Indochina, the principles of Nuremberg have been violated. As active-duty and former GIs, we recognize the responsibility and guilt of the individual soldier to refrain from committing war crimes. We also recognize that the responsibility and guilt of war crimes committed in the name of America lies with our policy makers at all levels.

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"7. Resolved to fight racism, to show Americans that our society is permeated by racism, which manipulates whites into viewing non-whites as inferior or less than human. This racism pushes Third World People through inferior schools to inferior jobs and into combat arms. Thus Third World People are sent off to die in disproportionately high numbers as we kill Asians indiscriminantly. We also demand the U.S. Military recognize its complicity in America's domestic and international racism.

"8. Resolved to fight sexism, to show that sexism plays a major part in promoting war. We must show Americans our society is permeated by sexism, which forces an inferior status upon women, reducing them to subservient sexual objects, and which robs both men and women of their natural growth. This institutionalized sexism channels women into unfulfilling, lower paying jobs which are servile in nature and purpose; it exploits their bodies for sex and profit; and it degrades and dehumanizes them by a double standard of morality wholly dependent on the myth of male supremacy. This sexism is exploited by the military, officially defining servicewomen as subordinate and thoroughly subjugating them to servile work and the role of a sexual object. We resolve to fight sexism within our society, within our own organization and within ourselves.

"9. To support the democratic right of Americans to unionize and strike to protect their income and safeguard their employment. We consider all legislation designed to suppress these rights, including mandatory arbitration, to be illegal and not in the interests of the American working people. We also demand full employment for all Americans, including free educational and vocational training for all who need or want it. We refuse to participate in the efforts being made to separate us from other working people, making veterans enemies by giving us the charade of employment priority. We condemn this as a method of encouraging enlistment by the false promise of employment after service. We also condemn the use of active-duty GIs, reservists and national guardsmen as strikebreakers.

"10. To dedicate ourselves to these principles and objectives which directly relate to the imperialist suppression of the People of the World by the United States Government. We understand this war is imperialist in origin and affirm that the membership of VVAW/NSO is not only concerned with ending this war, but with changing the domestic, social, political and economic institutions that have caused and perpetuated its continuance."



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During April, 1974, [REDACTED] provided a VVAW/WSO letter dated March, 1974, which contained the following information:

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"What is VVAW/WSO?"

"Vietnam Veterans Against the War/ Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), is a national, mass anti-imperialist organization with 150 chapters throughout the United States, plus chapters in Japan and England. VVAW began in 1967 during the days of the anti-war movement and was primarily composed of Vietnam Veterans who joined together to protest the United States government's involvement in the Indochina war. These veterans spoke to the American people with a great deal of credibility because they had witnessed, first-hand, the exploitation and destruction of the people of Southeast Asia. As veterans of the Indochina war, we had participated in the genocide that our government was waging, and upon return to the United States, we had begun to question the policies which led this country into the heinous war against the liberation struggles of the Indochinese people.

As VVAW grew as an organization, so did the political awareness of the people who were members. As the anti-war movement faded with the signing of the Paris Peace Agreements, we began to realize that it was imperative for our work to continue, despite the fact that the majority of "peace" organizations no longer existed in a real way. We had learned the lessons of Indochina well and believed that those lessons must continue to be taken to the American people in an on-going manner. We also knew that the war in Indochina was not going to be over for a long time to come and it would be our major responsibility to expose the fact that the U. S. government and the Thieu regime were violating the peace accords and continuing to suppress the right of the Indochinese people to determine their own destiny.

So, our work continued, along with the recognition that it was imperialism which had fostered the war in Southeast Asia. We began to turn more and more away from the days of national demonstrations of a spectacular nature, and began looking inward to the communities in which we lived. As we went into our communities to work and organize, we found many people who agreed with our objectives (printed in Winter Soldier) but who were not veterans. In order to broaden our base of membership and increase the effectiveness of our work, we added "Winter Soldier Organization" to our name to become the present VVAW/WSO that we are. In order to relate the lessons of Indochina to the people we lived with, it became necessary to point out that the oppression of our every day lives is the same sort of oppression that the Indochinese fought against: a government which is run by and for the interests of the rich at the expense of poor and working people in the U. S. and around the world. We realize that we do indeed live in the "belly of the beast" and our membership is struggling to see that the "beast" of an imperialist system is brought to its knees. We are working to see that the oppression of our lives is ceased, that the political repression is ended, and that we will someday be able to live in a society which allows for the dignity of all men and women and enables us to live together in unity and brotherhood.

In a nutshell, this is what VVAW/WSO is all about and what we are working for. Some of the specifics of our work include our continual educational and agitational work around the Indochina war, our struggle for universal and unconditional amnesty for all war resisters, our fight against the political repression which is growing daily in this country and our work to see that all political prisoners are one day freed. By reading Winter Soldier you should get a clear understanding of the way in which our work is being conducted on a national level, with a primary focus on educating the American people as to how the imperialist system operates and affects all of our lives."

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The National Collective of the VVAW/WSO, which is composed of the National Coordinators and National staff workers, subscribes to a Marxist-Leninist philosophy. An unstated objective of the VVAW/WSO is the peaceful conversion of our democratic form of government to a form of government more closely aligned with Marxism-Leninism. The National Collective has stated it will continue the policy of building take-overs, as well as mass demonstrations, to project the aims and goals of the VVAW/WSO.

They are of the opinion the masses will eventually create a revolution and that VVAW/WSO will be considered as one of the "vanguard organizations" of any revolution. However, the VVAW/WSO does not subscribe to the use of violent tactics or the use of weapons in order to project their aims.

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III. OFFICERS

During the January, 1973, NSCM held at Chicago, Illinois, SAMUEL SCHORR, EDWARD DAMATO and BRIAN ADAMS were elected as new VVAW National Coordinators. BART SAVAGE, STEVEN HAWKINS, and BARRY ROMO were held over as VVAW National Coordinators.

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During the April, 1973 NSCM held at Placitas, New Mexico, BARRY ROMO was reelected to another one year term as a National Coordinator. STEVEN HAWKINS resigned as a National Coordinator with his position to remain vacant until the next NSCM.

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During the August, 1973, NSCM held at St. Louis, Missouri, RICHARD BANGERT was elected as a VVAW/WSO National Coordinator and BART SAVAGE was re-elected to another one year term as a National Coordinator.

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b7D [REDACTED], September, 1973) (S)u

During the December, 1973 NSCM held in Yellow Springs, Ohio there were four persons running for the four vacated positions of VVAW/WSO National Coordinators. This appeared to create a problem around voting procedure and it was decided that it would be best to first elect the four coordinators and then limit the length of their terms. (S)u

The final vote resulted in MARLA WATSON and EDWARD DAMATO being elected for one year terms; BRIAN ADAMS for an eight month term and SAM SCHORR for a four month term. RICHARD BANGERT and BARRY ROMO were held over as National Coordinators. (S)u

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The National Office Report of the VVAW/WSO 12th National Steering Committee Meeting held April 11 through 15, 1974, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, indicated their National Officers and duties as follows:

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BRIAN ADAMS -- Amnesty, External Liaison

RICHARD BANGERT - Veterans Affairs, Research, County  
Fair, Speakers Bureau, Press, GIS

ED DAMATO ---Internal Liaison, Amnesty, GIS

BARRY ROMO -- External Liaison, "Winter Soldier"

SAM SCHORR -- Fund Raising, Financial Books,  
Incorporation, Material Sales

MARLA WATSON - Internal Liaison, Prisons, Women,  
Office Manager

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b7D [REDACTED] April, 1974] KH

During the April, 1974 NSCM held at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, PETER ZASTROW was elected as National Coordinator to fill the position vacated by BARRY ROMO and SAM SCHORR was re-elected as a National Coordinator. There were no other changes made in National Coordinators at this meeting.

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b7D [REDACTED], April, 1974] KH

[During December, 1973, [REDACTED] furnished the VVAW/WSO newsletter #14, dated 11/4/73, which sets forth the following resumes of individuals nominated for the position of VVAW/WSO National Coordinator:

22 years old  
born and raised in Kansas City, Kansas  
attended University of Kansas from 1969 to 1973

**Military!** None (and proud of it)

**Political History:** Worked with Black Panther Breakfast Program 1968-69  
and did organizing in K. C. inner-city ghettos

Joined K. U. Women's Caucus and worked with other women's organizations in 1970 and 1971 (at which time I realized they were sexist)  
Active in "campus" politics from 1969 to 1973 (remnants of SDS) - served on just about every steering committee of the various political coalitions which so often arise on campuses  
Joined VVAW/WSO in March, 1972 and became Lawrence chapter coor.  
Member of Regional Staff from summer of 1972 to May, 1973  
Joined National Collective in May, 1973 and am still there

**Current functions in the National Collective:** Internal Liaison, Political Prisoners, Prisons, Financial records, Women, Office Manager

Resume of Brian Adams

30 years old  
born in Gainesville, Texas and raised in McLean, Virginia  
attended University of Wisconsin from 1962 to 1968

**Military:** Commissioned 2nd Lt., Univ. of Wisconsin ROTC, June 1966  
Active Duty: June 1968 - June 1970  
Vietnam: August 1969 - June 1970; 13th Scty. Plt., 164th Cbt. Avn. Gp.  
1st Avn. Bde.

**VVAW/WSO:** Joined August 1970

Regional Coordinator of Colorado, Utah, Wyoming from Feb. 1971-Nov. 1971  
Regional Coordinator of Colorado, Utah, Wyoming from June 1972-Jan. 1973  
National Coordinator from January 1973 to present

Operation RAW, Dewey Canyon III, Colorado Winter Soldier Investigation  
National office representative in Gainesville & New Bureau and support demo.

VVAW/WSO delegate to 18th World Conf. Against A&H Bombs, Tokyo,  
August, 1972

VVAW/WSO delegate to Moscow World Congress of Peace, Oct., 1973

**Miscellaneous:** Has never been affiliated with any other political organization other than VVAW/WSO with the exception of La Brigada Venceremos.  
Member of 5th contingent of V. B. from February - May, 1972.

**Current functions in National Collective:** Amnesty, External Liaison, Security

Resume of Ed Schorr

27 years old

born and raised in New York City NY

ex-Catholic

Military: Drafted into Army in May 1966 - Released in 1968

Vietnam: HHC 2nd Bde, 9th Inf. Div. - February 1967 - February 1968

VVAW/WSO: Joined August, 1970

Regional Coordinator of New York State - February 1971 to January 1973

National Coordinator from January 1973 to present

Veteran of Operation RAW, Dewey Canyon III, Republican Convention,  
Winter Soldier Investigation - January, 1971 (didn't testify)

Miscellaneous: Delegate to World Peace Congress, Versailles, France,  
February, 1972

Delegate to World Peace Congress, Rome, Italy, February, 1973

Member of Steering Committee - National Council for Universal and Un-  
conditional Amnesty (NCUUA)

Current functions in National Collective: Internal Liaison, Amnesty, G. I. s  
Press Clippings file

Resume of Sam Schorr

26 years old

born and raised in Los Angeles - middle class Jewish family

2 years of college but only one year credit (thrown out twice)

Military: Enlisted on Feb. 23, 1966 in Army - Released Jan. 17th, 1969

Vietnam: Charley Co., 86th Combat Engineer Bn. 1st & 9th Inf. Div.

September 1966 to September 1967

Political History: Joined SDS immediately after release from service and  
stayed until the summer of 1969

Dropped out and moved to Israel in Oct. 1969, returned to States, July 1970

Started a Vets for Peace club at school which later became a VVAW chapter

Worked at VA hospital as a drug counselor on their Methadone program

until bombing of Hanoi

Regional Coordinator of California VVAW/WSO from June 1972 to Jan. 1973

National Coordinator from January, 1973 to present

Participated in WSI in Detroit, 1971 and in Dewey Canyon III

Miscellaneous: VVAW/WSO delegate to 10th World Festival of Youth and Stud-  
ents, August, 1973

Current functions in National Collective: Fund raiser, financial records, legal  
and incorporation, office machines, W. S. subs and literature sales

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During February, 1974, <sup>all</sup> furnished VVAW/WSO newsletter #21, dated 2/12/74, which set forth the following resume of PETER ZASTROW:

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Resume of Pete Zastrow

34 years old

Received a BA degree from Dartmouth College and an MA degree from Indiana University

**Military:** Commissioned through ROTC, June 1961; went on active duty (as a 1st LT) in Jan. '67 (deferment for graduate school); Vietnam service from 4 Dec 1968 - 4 Dec 1969. Promoted to captain in Jan. '69; MOS 1542 (small unit leader), and whatever the MOS is for information office. Served with the 1st Air Cavalry Division.

**Political History:** Never belonged to any political organization prior to VVAW/WSO. Joined VVAW/WSO in early 1970, but didn't become active until April, 1972 when a chapter was started in Cincinnati. One of the chapter coordinators (insofar as there is one) from that time on. Became regional coordinator in May, 1973. First major VVAW/WSO event -- Miami Beach, summer 1972; Washington, Jan. 1973; Gainesville, summer 1973. Has attended NSCMs since the first Milwaukee meeting (with the exception of Placitas).

**Miscellaneous:** Represented VVAW/WSO in Paris in Dec. 1973 at the Conference of Solidarity with the Cambodian People.

As of April, 1974, the following VVAW/WSO National Coordinators can be characterized as possessing the following political beliefs:

SAMUEL SCHORR - Marxist-Leninist  
RICHARD BANGERT - Democratic - Socialist  
MARLA WATSON - Marxist-Leninist  
BARRY ROMO - Marxist-Leninist with Maoist Tendencies  
BRIAN ADAMS - Maoist, with Marxist-Leninist Tendencies  
EDWARD DAMATO - Learning Marxist-Leninist philosophy



SCHORR continues to be the dominant force behind the functioning of the National Coordinators. *qu*

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PETER ZASTROW, VVAW/WSO National Coordinator who replaced BARRY ROMO, can be characterized as learning Marxist-Leninist philosophy. *qu*

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As of May, 1974, none of the VVAW/WSO [redacted] have exhibited any propensity for violence. [redacted] and [redacted] appear to be the most stable in their thinking. [redacted] is physically ill but the nature of seriousness of [redacted] illness isn't currently known. [redacted] is a user of narcotics and [redacted] is considered to be an alcoholic. *qu*

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[redacted] and [redacted] are National Staff workers of the VVAW/WSO and as such are considered to be members of the National Collective. [redacted] and [redacted] primarily act in a liaison capacity with various "anti-war" or "peace type" organizations, mostly in the Chicago, Illinois, area. [redacted] coordinates the VVAW/WSO "GI Project."

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IV. MEMBERSHIP

The estimated membership of the VVAW/WSO is approximately 2,000.

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V. PUBLICATIONS

The National Office of VVAW/WSO continues to publish and distribute the "Winter Soldier" on a monthly basis. It is estimated that the VVAW/WSO spends approximately \$1,300 per month for the publication and distribution of this newspaper. Approximately \$1,000 per month is spent in the publication of the newspaper and approximately \$300 per month is spend on its distribution. After the paper is assembled, it is taken to the Greyhound Bus Station, Chicago, Illinois. From there, the newspapers are delivered to the various VVAW/WSO Chapter Offices throughout the United States where they are sold by VVAW/WSO members. In addition, copies of the newspaper are mailed to subscribers and also to VVAW/WSO Chapters in London, England; Kailua, Hawaii; Yamaguchi-Ken, Japan; and Koza, Okinawa. *K-U*

[During April, 1974, [redacted] provided a copy of the National Office Report of the VVAW/WSO, 12th NSCM, held April 11, through 15, 1974, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This report contained the following information: *2/15/74*] *K-U*

*b2**b7D*" Winter Soldier Report

"At the Yellow Springs NSCM, the Steering Committee accepted the report from the workshop on the newspaper that called for increased efforts at selling and distributing the paper. From the looks of things, the paper is still incredibly far from paying for itself. Last year, the paper cost us over \$12,000 in expenses, including bounced shipments. The pattern seems to be repeating itself this year. We have already spent \$4,000 in the first quarter of 1974 and costs are rising every month. We have already shelled out \$115 for bounced shipments -- wasted money. Throughout all of 1973, the National Office acquired a very few number of subscriptions, an absurd situation for a paper that gets out over the whole country (25,000 copies a month). We again stress the need for members and chapters to develop their skills at selling the paper; trying to avoid just giving it away. Subscriptions should be pushed in an effort to at least have the supplies for the paper paid for. If you are doing monthly, regional mailers with the paper, attempt to get money for it. Finally, re-read the minutes from the last NSCM and GET IT ON!!!"

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The VVAW/WSO periodically publishes a newsletter containing general information regarding their activities on a regional and national basis. This newsletter is distributed to active VVAW/WSO regions.

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The "VVAW/WSO GI News" is a monthly newsletter published by NOSCAM, Chicago. The intention of this newsletter is to specialize in GI matters by furnishing counseling.

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VI. FINANCES

The minutes of the VVAW, NSCM held January 4-8, 1973, Chicago, Illinois, indicated that the financial situation of the National Office was very serious with debts of approximately \$7,000. Also, it was noted that none of the National Coordinators were currently receiving salaries and had not received any salaries for more than six months.

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The minutes of the VVAW August, 1973 NSCM, St. Louis, Missouri, indicated that the financial situation of the VVAW/WSO National Office was rather grim and that they were considering obtaining the services of a professional fund raiser.

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It was learned that the following observations regarding the VVAW/WSO financial picture were made by an individual who was then in a position to know.

A special cash fund is set aside for living expenses and each month the amount of cash spent is divided by six, representing the number of persons on the National Staff and each sixth is considered salary for each person. There are no FICA or withholding taxes accounted for. The VVAW/WSO is financially weak and it appears that they cannot meet their current liabilities. & u

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Also, the following amounts were received by the VVAW/WSO on the dates indicated, sources not indicated: (S) u

\$1,066 - 6/10/72;  
\$3,081-- 7/72;  
\$3,835 - 9/72

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[redacted] furnished the following financial report of the VVAW-WSO National Office: (S) u

1973 JANUARY 1 TO NOVEMBER 30 INCOME STATEMENT

Income	Account	DR	CR
General Contributions			50,667.02
Paper Sales			535.10
Book Sales			1,275.00
Button Sales		554.50	
Poster Sales		8.00	
Honoraria			2,671.75
Benefits			734.00
Misc			19.25
<u>Expenses</u>			
Salaries		5,752.16	
Utilities		699.48	
Telephone		4,096.97	
Office Supplies		2,781.07	
Postage & Shipping		4,928.73	
Travel		10,276.76	
Demonstrations		1,869.44	
Printing & Newspaper		8,659.32	
Office Machine Rent & Repair		996.13	
Rent		5,360.00	
Books and Publications		1,818.97	
Fund-Raising		6,825.82	
FICA Tax		662.92	
Misc		227.90	
Legal Fees		368.00	
		<u>55,956.43</u>	<u>55,902.12</u>
		55,902.12	
Profit (loss)		54.31	

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 TRIAL BALANCE  
 JANUARY 1st TO NOVEMBER 30

Account #	Name	DR	CR
100	Cash in Bank	5,913.54	
108	Notes Receivable	949.68	
112	Office Equipment	1,444.90	
202	Notes Payable		6,781.29
600	Paid-In Capital		234.10
602	Retained Earnings to date (Dec. 31/72)		1,347.04
300	General Contributions		50,667.02
301	Paper Sales		535.10
302	Book Sales		1,275.00
303	Button Sales	554.50	
304	Poster Sales	8.00	
305	Honoraria		2,671.75
309	Benefits		734.00
318	Misc		19.25
400	Salaries	5,752.16	
401	Utilities	699.48	
402	Telephone	4,096.97	
403	Office Supplies	2,781.07	
404	Postage and Shipping	4,928.73	
405	Travel	*10,276.76	
406	Demonstrations	1,869.44	
407	Printing & Newspaper	8,659.32	
408	Office Machine Rent & Repair	996.13	
409	Rent	5,360.00	
460	Books and Publications	1,818.97	
411	Bank Service Charges	70.26	
413	Fund-Raising Expenses	6,825.82	
414	FICA Tax	662.92	
415	Misc	227.90	
416	Legal Fees	368.00	
		<u>64,264.55</u>	<u>64,264.55</u>

\* This figure is a composite of several different accounts

Repair of Autos:	986.47
Demonstration in Gainesville	1,543.79
Old Travel Debts	2,025.00
	<u>4,555.26</u>
Other Travel	5,721.60
	<u>10,276.76</u>

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OUTSTANDING DEBTS

Outstanding Bills

A. Fund-Raising (Not Complete)

*SARA MARQUIS Travel Agency	3,084.76
*Anniversary Tours	1,403.68
*Mac Millan Publishing	500.00
	<u>1,013.01</u>
	6,001.45
TOTAL	12,782.74

\*Debts from New York  
(Not including operational debts  
from New York)

The VVAW/WSO National Office receives \$5.00 per month from each Chapter and it is the responsibility of the Chapters to insure this money is obtained basically from the sale of "Winter Soldier" and donations. In addition, the VVAW/WSO National Office receives money from private donors.

During the [redacted] VVAW/WSO NSCM, SAM SCHORR, the Number One Coordinator, gave the National Office Report. In regard to finances, he stated that for the period January - March, 1974, the VVAW/WSO had income of \$27,351 of which \$22,000 was obtained from contributions and they for this period of time their expenses were \$24,662.

Also, it was pointed out that the VVAW/WSO has hired a professional fund-raiser for approximately \$25,000 per annum. This amount will include the fund raiser's fee, cost of materials and mailing costs.

SCHORR indicated that throughout the country they would have approximately 6,000 hard-core contributors. Also, the fund raising project has allegedly been filed under Federal Article 501-E for tax exemption purposes.

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As of May, 1974, the VVAW/WSO National Coordinators were receiving their income from the following sources:

- SAMUEL SCHORR - \$100 per month from organization funds plus money from parents
- BRIAN ADAMS - \$100 per month from organization funds plus money from relatives
- PETER ZASTROW - \$100 per month from organization funds
- MARLA WATSON - \$100 per month from organization funds plus money from relatives in Kansas
- EDWARD DOMATO - \$100 per month from organization funds plus money from parents in New York City.
- RICHARD BANGERT - \$100 per month from organization funds  
Possibly receiving money from relatives in the St. Louis, Missouri area.

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VII. National Activities and Connections With Other Groups

1. Ability Regarding Revolutionary Program

During the January, 1973, NSCM held at Chicago, Illinois, there was discussion regarding obtaining access to classified Government information to be used against United States interests. Also, there were indications at this meeting that VVAW/WSO activists possess the technical knowledge and training to carry out any revolutionary program proposed.

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2. National Projects

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VVAW/WSO, on a national basis, endorses the following projects:

The VVAW/WSO still maintains its Amnesty Clearinghouse at the VVAW/WSO National Office, 827 West Newport Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, for purposes of publishing literature to enlighten persons regarding the VVAW/WSO national theme of "Unconditional Amnesty." KU

The VVAW/WSO maintains its "G.I. Project" Office, formerly known as NOSCAM, at 2743 North Wilton, Chicago, Illinois. This office is basically operated by [redacted] who is occasionally assisted by [redacted]. The purpose of this office is to maintain liaison with current G.I.'s and ex-G.I.'s regarding the upgrading of poor military discharges. In addition, a "G.I. Project" Office is also maintained in Dayton, Ohio. KU

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The "VVAW/WSO National Prison Project" is still being coordinated at the VVAW/WSO National Office. The purpose of this project is to build liaison and enlighten prisoners regarding the progress of the VVAW/WSO. [redacted] is considered the coordinator of this project. KU



The "GARY LAWTON Defense Committee" is still functioning in San Bernardino, California with several VVAW/WSO members actively involved in this project assisting in the legal defense of LAWTON. X U

"Operation County Fair" is still considered an active project of the VVAW/WSO in the Browns, Alabama area. This project lacks support throughout the various VVAW/WSO regions and several National Staff members are speculating that this project may become defunct at the next NSCM, Buffalo, New York, August, 1974. X U

A "Post-Vietnam Struggle" clearinghouse is still considered an active project of the VVAW/WSO and is being coordinated by [redacted] Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Several National Staff members consider this project to be a success. X U

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The project known as "Leavenworth Brothers Offense/ Defense Committee" is considered as an active VVAW/WSO project centered in the Kansas City, Missouri area. The purpose of this project is to enlighten prisoners incarcerated at the Leavenworth Penitentiary regarding the progress of the VVAW/WSO. X U

Also, the VVAW/WSO project known as "Committee for Action Research Center in the Intelligence Community" (CARIC) is presently inactive and at this time there is no information to indicate when, if ever, it will be reactivated. X U

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A "Operation County Fair" newsletter dated November, 1973, set forth the following pertinent information in regard to this national project of the VVAW/WSO:

"In the summer of 1972 the community of Bogue Chitto, Alabama, asked members of VVAW/WSO to assist them in developing medical services for their community. By November 22, 1972, community health training classes had been organized by VVAW/WSO utilizing resource people from Selma, Birmingham, and VVAW/WSO Chapters around the country. Operation County Fair was voted a national project on January 7, 1973, by the National Steering Committee of VVAW/WSO at its meeting in Chicago.

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Members of the community held meetings during the following months to discuss the idea of building a clinic and the type of body they would like to administer and govern the clinic and its services. The community decided to name the proposed clinic The Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Clinic. VVAW/WSO was asked to handle the task of incorporation, and on March 7, 1973, The Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Clinic was incorporated in the State of Alabama as a non-profit, volunteer organization with Dr. E.A. Maddox, M.D. of Selma, Alabama, as its Medical Director and thirteen members of the community of Bogue Chitto (Browns) plus Dr. Maddox as its Board of Directors.

One of the objectives of VVAW/WSO is the elimination of racism. Operation County Fair offers a concrete program to involve our members and friends in a positive effort to eliminate racism and its effects.

The role of VVAW/WSO is to organize and train the community of Bogue Chitto in the methods of operating a health and social services clinic; assisting in all phases of construction of the Clinic; recruiting professional and paraprofessional health, legal and social service personnel to work in the Clinic; soliciting donations of money and supplies; and developing long-range funding strategy."

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On May 7, 1974, [redacted] provided a leaflet published by the VVAW/WSO entitled "Post-Vietnam Struggle, The Psychological Contradictions of Vietnam Veterans," which sets forth the following information:

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" This pamphlet is about the unknown and forgotten casualties of the Vietnam War. Three million U.S. soldiers have lived and fought in Vietnam at some time or another, and it is only a matter of degree as to how they were psychologically effected.

We refer to these changes as contradictions because the reality of the Vietnam War was in complete contradiction to everything we had learned. And it is a contradiction to now have to place that experience within the current social view of reality.

### WHAT ARE THE ORIGINS OF PVS?

For most veterans, it began in Basic Training. It is here that the military slowly begins its calculated effort to wipe out the soldier's individual dignity and respect for human life. Throughout this training the subtle racism of the military becomes apparent, especially in its class structure, and eventually becomes very blatant as the soldier begins his final preparation for Vietnam.

A situation which serves to finally isolate the soldier within the male-dominated military machine is the lack of female companionship. Women are reduced to objects of amusement and are seldom encountered in the context of love.

The soldier then arrives in Vietnam unfamiliar with the culture, unable to speak the language, cut off from former companions, afraid to relate to the Vietnamese, isolated from his own feelings and trapped in an absurd situation of survival.

Lack of Structure - The first problem encountered in Vietnam, especially for the combat soldier, is the total lack of order or structure. In Vietnam there was no "front" as in other wars; land was never gained or lost as a result of battle; and there was little of the order of battle present as in other wars in which soldiers act out their role as fighters.

Absurdity and Moral Inversion - The most absurd situation surrounding the whole War was the body count. In the absence of any other goals or criteria for success, counting the "enemy" dead became the only measure of success. For the combat GI, killing Vietnamese was the entire mission! And this led in turn to the falsification of body counts on a grand scale.

Another problem is the guilt of being a survivor while others have died; or the frustrating fact that the "enemy" was everyone and no one, rarely visible, always on the move - never there to fight back at. From the beginning, the GI is operating under two conflicting sets of instructions: The formal one which says kill only military adversaries; and the informal one which says kill anyone you feel like killing.

The lack of structure and the overall absurdity would then easily lead to indiscriminate killing and, often, massacres. (Underlying all of this is the psychological principle that killing can relieve the fear of being killed.) Confronted then with a situation such as My Lai, you have what psychiatrist Dr. Robert Jay Lifton describes as "the momentary illusion on the part of GIs that, by gunning down these figures now equated with the enemy -- even little babies and women and old men -- they were finally involved in a genuine 'military action,' their illusive adversaries had finally been located, made to stand still, and annihilated -- an illusion, in other words, that they had finally put their world back in order."

The only thing worse than being ordered to participate in such an activity was to have it all rationalized by the "guardians of the spirit" - chaplains and psychiatrists. In effect, they helped men adjust to committing war crimes. And this led to what Dr. Lifton describes as a "counterfeit universe, in which all-pervasive, spiritually reinforced inner corruption becomes the price of survival."

## HOW IS PVS MANIFESTED?

GUILT both at having been involved with a killing force and being a survivor of an absurd and brutal situation, and not being able to place that experience in any rational framework. This guilt can take on several complex forms and in some cases may mean a perpetual killing of the self.

RAGE - The rage of a Vietnam veteran stems from the feeling of having been betrayed by our country and by the military; and from being forced to participate in an absurd, brutal and corrupt situation. Violence is sometimes one form of this rage and results from the war experience in which violence is the quick and absolute solution to any problem, especially when there is confusion about who and where the enemy is.

BRUTALIZATION - This can result in any war; but not on the magnitude of what resulted from the Vietnam War, in which the body count, free fire zones, overwhelming firepower, torture and outright massacres were commonplace. Racism was usually both a cause and effect of brutalization. For most GIs, especially those in combat, the Vietnamese were either inferior people or nonhuman creatures.

ALIENATION from personal feelings and from other human beings. Alienation begins to develop when the veteran returns to find that our society neither understands nor cares what he/she has experienced.

SENSE OF INABILITY TO LOVE OR BE LOVED - From the date of arrival in Vietnam, soldiers are taught not to trust anyone, and eventually peer group influence turns that distrust into hate. A year of hate and distrust for all Vietnamese; a year deprived of a female love relationship; a year filled with the constant fear of death; only to return feeling that love is an alien emotion - an alien state of being.

## WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS?

PVS can range from mild withdrawal, to periodic depression, to severe psychosomatic disorder, to disabling psychosis. For some, PVS can lead to the use of drugs; or it could lead to prison; for some it has even led to suicide.

## WHAT IS VVAW/WSO DOING?

We encourage the formation of veterans' rap groups for vets who need help. Since 1970, we have helped in forming PVS rap groups in New York City, San Francisco, Waupun State Prison (Wisconsin) and Milwaukee. We have compiled an extensive library of writings on PVS by professional and lay people, and this information, compiled by our PVS Clearinghouse, has raised the awareness of people all over the world. Winter Soldier, the monthly, national newspaper of VVAW/WSO, carries articles on the problems of veterans.

## VVAW/WSO POLITICAL ANALYSIS OF PVS

The United States Government committed human and physical resources to defeating the national liberation struggle in Vietnam, not by accident, but as a conscious part of its foreign policy. Foreign policies such as this are a result of imperialism. To give meaning to the effects of our involvement in Vietnam, it is essential that these effects be viewed as a result of imperialism.

The guilt, the rage, the brutalization, the psychic numbing, the feeling of betrayal - these were the results of a policy designed not to win hearts and minds, but to destroy them. The free fire zones, the body count, the defoliation, the electronic warfare, the relocation camps, the Phoenix Program, the massacres, the overwhelming firepower - these were all part of a desperate attempt to prevent the people of Vietnam from ending their long history of foreign influence and domination. These policies were the only avenue left for a military machine which was being defeated by the courage and determination of the Vietnamese people.

All wars have a brutalizing effect on its participants; but the Vietnam War was significantly different for U. S. soldiers. World War II, for example, was in the interest of the U. S. soldier because it meant a fight against facism. And the mission of the United States was always clear to our soldiers. However, when the United States Government sent its soldiers to Vietnam, GIs found their mission to be quite different from what they had been told. They were not preserving democracy - they were defending a dictator; they were not helping - they were destroying. Certainly none of this was in the interest of the GI or our country. It was only in the interest of the wealthy few who run this country.

For Vietnam veterans to come to grips with their experience, it is important that they view their experience in a political context. It was not some individual weakness or childhood experience that caused these problems; it was the racism and brutality, the lies and corruption - the reality of Vietnam. And these internal contradictions will not begin to be resolved until Vietnam veterans face up to the cause of the problem - United States imperialism."

Relations of the VVAW/WSO with the United Front of Cairo" are bad and it is felt that a VVAW/WSO National Coordinator should be sent to Cairo to research this once prominent VVAW/WSO national project.

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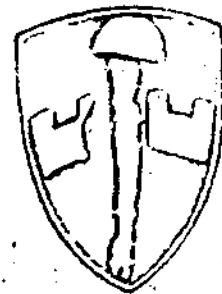
3. Amnesty Activities

[On June 25, 1973, [REDACTED] &U provided the following letter:

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# VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, Inc.



NATIONAL AMNESTY CLEARINGHOUSE

827 West Newport  
Chicago, Illinois 60657  
Tel. (312) 935-2129

June 24, 1973

" It has been approximately one month since the Toronto Amnesty Action Conference was held. This conference marked the first time that so many members of VVAW/WSO were present at a national meeting other than our own. For most of us it represented the first time that we had a chance to discuss amnesty with others from different groups and from different parts of the country. I found the conference very informative and rewarding in that many new ideas and relationships were formed. Hopefully, all of you felt the same.

The purpose of this mailing to you is to begin communication with each other so that we can begin to share the fruits of our amnesty work. There are many in VVAW/WSO that are interested in amnesty and we have had the opportunity to broaden our view of this issue by attending the conference in Toronto. Many of us have thought much about amnesty since Toronto and these ideas and programs that we have conceived should be shared with each other.

This office was set up at the Placitas National Steering Committee Meeting as the National Amnesty Clearinghouse. To this end we would like to offer to the entire organization programs, materials and ideas. In order to do this we need your suggestions and input. If your chapter prints materials on amnesty, or has begun a program for discharge upgrading, or has had success with community meetings or a particular leaflet we would like to know of it and pass it on to other chapters so that we can begin on a national level a concerted campaign that will have an effect on the American people.

VVAW/WSO will play an important part in the upcoming amnesty campaign. Of this we have no doubt. It is essential to the success of this effort that chapters across the country are provided with the aforementioned materials. We are in the process of preparing for national distribution pamphlets containing the National Amnesty Position Paper, small pamphlets to be used for both educational material and for hand-outs, and resource sheets giving chapter addresses that offer bumper stickers, buttons, films, leaflets - whatever.

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Some chapters have begun programs already. San Francisco, New York City and St. Louis have begun or are about to begin discharge upgrading programs. Kansas and California are producing amnesty bumper stickers. Mid-west, VVAW/WSO chapters are planning a Mid-western amnesty conference to be held in September.

Bob Moore of the Cincinnati chapter is one of the co-coordinators of this conference. The Milwaukee chapters have gone into a state-wide coalition on amnesty. San Francisco is involved in setting up a coalition in the Bay Area and California. VVAW/WSO is in the process of developing a state-wide coalition there.

Earlier I mentioned that this office is in the process of preparing smaller pamphlets for use by the chapters. Two weeks ago, Lee Webster and Ed Marx of the DuPage chapter came to talk about amnesty with us. They explained that at their chapter meeting dealing with amnesty the question of non-violence and amnesty came up and that there was much debate about it. Together with Jeanne Friedman, who was visiting here, we thought that it would be helpful if we prepared pamphlets dealing with particular points on amnesty. These proposed pamphlets will deal with Amnesty and Karl Armstrong, Non-Violence, Lt. Calley, Less-than-Honorable discharges, etc. If you have ideas for this project let us know.

This idea of internal education should be our main focus now. By educating ourselves to these fine points in the amnesty issue we can better understand their relevance to the overall question. By being clearly cognizant of these points we can then better speak to our communities and can better understand the importance of amnesty to our continued anti-imperialist work.

Another focus of our initial work should be to devise a system in which we can better respond to the requests of the chapters. We had the idea of setting up several regional clearinghouses in various parts of the country in order to make the National clearinghouse more functional. For instance, if a chapter in Wyoming wanted a speaker on amnesty, we could refer them to Maryann James in Denver who could more easily go than we. Since we who attended the Toronto conference have a good picture of the amnesty campaign this idea of regional offices could be developed with the people from Toronto offering to act as regional clearinghouses. Of course a lot of work would go into setting this up, but it is an idea to begin to think about.

In closing, I would like to again stress the importance of keeping in touch with each other. Attached you will find the names of the delegates who attended the conference in Toronto. Keep in contact with us and keep in contact with each other. From time to time we will be sending out a special newsletter to you and if there are others who would like to be on it, either in your region or another, let us know. Also let us know what you think of the ideas outlined in this letter.

Hopefully, I will be hearing from all of you real soon.

In Solidarity,

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Ed Damato

For the National Amnesty Clearinghouse"



4. National Council for Universal and Unconditional  
Amnesty Activities (NCUAA)

[On November 30, 1973,  furnished the  
following paper:

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TO: VVAW / WSO

FROM: VVAW/WSO Members on NCUUA

SUBJECT: Organizational Membership and Participation in NCUUA

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### History

During the first months of 1973, the National Office Collective was asked to participate, along with other groups, in writing the first draft of a position paper on the subject of amnesty. Criticisms were shared, and a position paper was submitted to the National Steering Committee meeting in Placitas, New Mexico in April. It was adopted by that body as the official position of the organization, and is also the position paper of the other organizations which participated in writing it.

At the same time that the position paper was being drafted, a coalition of groups met in Washington, D. C. to attempt to analyze and come up with a position on amnesty. VVAW/WSO was one of the organizations which agreed to call for that meeting and discuss the subject with other individuals and groups. That conference adopted a position for universal and unconditional amnesty, and called for a conference to be held in May, in Toronto, which would further discuss the position of universal and unconditional amnesty. The Washington Conference also called for the creation of a National Council for Universal and Unconditional Amnesty (NCUUA), and elected the people to a Steering Committee of that body. Those six represented the ACLU, WSP, CCCC, SCEP and the Inter Religious Task Force. The Toronto Conference was charged with electing six people who would represent those people in need of an amnesty. This election would complete the process of creating the organization of NCUUA.

By the time of the May conference, VVAW/WSO had adopted the position paper, and therefore as an organization, was able to participate in the conference and work fully with those groups who supported an amnesty which was universal and unconditional, and which included all those who had resisted the war in any form.

Over thirty VVAW/WSO members attended the conference, from all parts of United States. Since one of the groups in need of amnesty would be veterans with less than honorable discharges, that group was entitled to one representative on the Steering Committee of NCUUA. Ed Damato, of the National Office Collective, was nominated by the VVAW/WSO caucus and was elected by the conference to that position. His position is to represent all veterans in need of amnesty, not VVAW/WSO in particular.

Five other people were elected to the Steering Committee at Toronto to represent the amnesty constituency: Jeff Hayes, representing GIs (Ft. Meade project), Walter Collins, representing prisoners (Southern Conference Educational Fund), Sandy Rutherford, representing families of resisters (Vancouver American Exile Association); Dee Knight, representing exiles (AMEX-Canada); Jeanne Friedman, representing civilian resisters (Campaign for Amnesty). Jeff was later replaced by Ethel Weissman (Legal In-Service Project). Jeanne Friedman later joined VVAW/WSO -- Campaign for Amnesty had been one of the groups which participated in writing and adopting the position paper on amnesty that was also adopted by VVAW/WSO.

### Meaning of Election to NCUUA

The six people elected at the Toronto Conference represent their constituencies, not their organization. It was decided at that conference that, in the absence of a unified movement to speak for the entire constituency, the organization from which those elected came would make all decisions about that person's role, or to substitute a person, if need be, until the next general meeting of NCUUA which would be held in the Spring of 1974. All of the six people share a commitment to universal and unconditional amnesty, and it is also true that the organizations from which they come hold that view.

### Meaning of Membership in NCUUA

As NCUUA was getting underway, it was felt necessary to ask groups and individuals to indicate their support for a universal and unconditional amnesty by joining NCUUA. When VVAW/WSO was asked to join it was on the basis of its support for amnesty, and it was possible to join because such membership was an indication of support for the broadest possible amnesty, and because membership does not entail any organizational dominance of member groups by NCUUA. The membership of VVAW/WSO is not linked directly to the participation on the Steering Committee by the two people who are members of the organization. Their responsibility is to their amnesty constituency. Therefore, they can participate in decision making of that body, speaking in the interests of the people they represent, in line with the national VVAW/WSO position paper on amnesty. Any decision involving VVAW/WSO participation would be subject to approval of the National Steering Committee.

### Importance of NCUUA

NCUUA is comprised of over 100 organizations from across the country. These organizations range from local to national, from pacifist to revolutionary, from liberal to radical. All groups are working for universal and unconditional amnesty.

The constituency of each organization dictates the strategy of their campaigns for amnesty. Some groups think it best to work for amnesty through Congressional action. Some think it more important to organize at grass-roots levels while others believe in achieving amnesty through symbolic protest.

The objective of each strategy remains universal and unconditional amnesty. NCUUA does not sanction one form of work over another. What it does do is allow for the various constituencies to get together to discuss the general over-view of the amnesty movement within the United States and Canada, and to encourage dialogue between these various strategies in order that the groups may find common ground upon which to work together.

The absence of NCUUA would hamper coordination between these groups which would make it more difficult to finally achieve amnesty. It is for this reason that it is vital to continue affiliation with NCUUA. It provides VVAW/WSO with the ability to understand and to hopefully influence the actions of the various groups around the country in working for an amnesty that is compatible with the position paper adopted by the VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee."

5. Activity in Connection with 1973 "Presidential Inaugural Ceremonies."

On January 20, 1973, numerous groups and organizations conducted protest activities in Washington, D.C. in connection with the Presidential Inaugural Ceremonies. The VVAW/WSO, as one of the participating organizations, assembled at Arlington National Cemetery, marched to the Lincoln Memorial and War Memorial and then to a clearing near the north end of the Reflecting Pool. At this location they listened to a few short speeches and conducted a symbolic and ceremonial signing of two peace treaties, one to be delivered to Congress and the other to be sent to the Vietnamese.

Also, a guerilla theater action was rehearsed that was to be performed at the Lincoln Memorial. From here, many of the marchers proceeded to Pennsylvania Avenue to view the Inaugural Parade while others went to the Washington Monument to join a "March Against Death."

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6. Activities in Connection with American Indian Movement (AIM), Wounded Knee, South Dakota.

During the spring of 1973, several VVAW/WSO national leaders and members travelled to the vicinity of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, in an attempt to aid the AIM. [redacted], also known as [redacted] and [redacted] were arrested at roadblock number one while attempting to enter Wounded Knee. Supplies and weapons found in their car were ostensibly for distribution to the Indians at Wounded Knee.

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[April, 1973]

During the April, 1973 NSCM held at Placitas, New Mexico, all VVAW/WSO regions stated they were in complete agreement with the objectives of the Indians at Wounded Knee.

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[April 27, 1973]

During the April, 1973, NSCM held at Placitas, New Mexico, two Indians addressed the Wounded Knee workshop. These individuals invited VVAW/WSO members to come to Wounded Knee and promised that those who ~~came~~ would be shown more respect than other VVAW/WSO members had been given in the past. However, the Indian representatives stated the VVAW/WSO would only occupy a position of support and not leadership at Wounded Knee. *EU*

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7. "Gainesville 8" Trial

During 1972-1973 the VVAW/WSO National Office and various regional areas expended a considerable amount of time and money in connection with the defense of the "Gainesville 8." This effort culminated with car caravans of VVAW/WSO members from various sections of the United States converging in Gainesville, Florida in August, 1973, to rally in support of the "Gainesville 8."

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8. Connections with CPUSA and Marxism-Leninism

On January 21, 1974, [redacted] furnished a copy of the following letter: *EU*

VVA WSO NATIONAL OFFICE

827 West Newport  
Chicago, Illinois 60657  
Tel. (312) 935-2129

January 9, 1974

TO: Communist Party of the U.S.A.  
23 West 26th Street  
New York, New York 10010  
Attn: Ms. Charlene Mitchell

Mr. James F. Forest  
American Secretary  
World Peace Council  
Lonnrotink. 25 A. 6. krs  
00180 Helsinki 18  
Finland

RE: LETTER OF CENSURE

The following is a formal letter of censure ordered by the National Steering Committee of Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization at a national meeting recently held in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

On November 8, 1973, the National Office of VVAW/WSO sent you a letter regarding an incident that occurred during the recent World Congress of Peace Forces held in Moscow, October 25-31. As was stated in that letter, a member of the VVAW/WSO delegation to the Peace Congress was asleep in her room at the hotel where delegates to the Congress were staying when an unknown intruder entered her room and most viciously assaulted and raped her. As disgusting as this incident was, in and of itself, the treatment our delegate received at the hands of the Soviet police officials was even harder to understand. In our letter of November 8th, we wrote:

Due to the extremely sensitive nature of this assault and the implications it held for the Congress, we did our best to assure that the incident was not publicly disclosed. We did of course notify the proper Soviet police officials and medical personnel. We must point out that the doctors and medical personnel that examined... (her)... were most compassionate and concerned about her physical and psychological well being, and for this we are extremely grateful. On the other hand, the treatment she received from the police was insensitive and cold-blooded, to say the least. The questions asked... (her)... read like a Chicago police blotter: "Did you like it? Did you lead him on? Did you really try to resist?" The point being that... (she)... was treated in the same manner as a rape victim would be treated by a police officer in the U.S.A. We cannot understand this in the context of a socialist state.

Feeling that this treatment was inexcusable a letter was sent to you: the CPUSA and the American Secretary of the World Peace Council, who were the organizers and responsible bodies for the U.S. delegation, demanding an apology for this and that the matter be brought to the attention of the proper Soviet authorities. A reply was never received at all from the U.S. based organizing body, the CPUSA -- our letter was totally ignored. While Mr. Forest of the World Peace Council did send us a letter, it did not even mention the specific criticisms we had raised. It was simply not an honest attempt to deal with the problem. VVAW/WSO realizes that the CPUSA, the WPC and the Soviet authorities cannot be held responsible for the acts of an individual rapist, but we cannot understand the total disrespect shown by the CPUSA and the WPC by your acts of ignoring our letter.

For this disrespectful nonaction, VVAW/WSO publicly censures the CPUSA, the actions of the Soviet police officials, as well as the office of the American Secretary of the World Peace Council. As the responsible organizing bodies of the U.S. delegation to the Moscow World Congress of Peace Forces, your failure to respond to our original letter of concern is inexcusable. We censure you for failing to respond in any real manner to our criticism of the chauvinistic and insensitive treatment afforded our delegate by Soviet police officials after the assault occurred. VVAW/WSO will not tolerate your non-action. You have shown both disrespect to the individual delegate and to our organization as a whole.

For the National Steering Committee  
VVAW/WSO

The VVAW/WSO National Office

During the August, 1973, NSCM held at St. Louis, Missouri, there was some fear expressed that the National Office was leaning toward a Communist ideology. The basis for this fear was that recent articles in the "Winter Soldier" relied heavily on Marxist-Leninist doctrines. BARRY ROMO, of the National Office, indicated that it was the opinion of the National Office that the VVAW/WSO needs to progress and grow politically and that inquiry into Marxism-Leninism was a proper means for such political growth and education. &u

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[August 30, 1973] &u

It was learned that during October, 1973, members of the VVAW/WSO National Office were attending classes on Communism. The text utilized was a book by MAO TSE TUNG. &u

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b7D [November, 1973] &u

During April, 1974, it was learned that various VVAW/WSO National Coordinators expressed a feeling that factionalism exists between the various VVAW/WSO regions and the National Office over the issue of the National Office embracing the philosophy of Marxism-Leninism. These National Coordinators believe that regional members do not understand this philosophy and/or Communism in general and therefore, have become apprehensive over the National Office philosophy. &u

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#### 9. Activities Against the Veterans Administration

During March, 1974, the VVAW/WSO National Office advised all of their regional offices to attempt to conduct demonstrations at a Veterans Administration facility in their area on March 29, 1974, to protest the designation of that day by President NIXON as "National Vietnam Era Veterans Day." The suggested format was to advise the news media in advance of the time and place of any confrontation, execute the confrontation with VA officials in the presence of the news media, demanding unconditional amnesty for draft dodgers and the upgrading of military discharges. &u

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VVAW/WSO nationwide demonstrations planned for March 29, 1974, were not considered to be a successful effort inasmuch as very few regions conducted any type of activities as originally proposed and the few activities that were conducted were uneventful, minor events. *XU*

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10. Activities in Connection with Revolutionary Union and October League *b7D*

During the past year several of the VVAW/WSO National Officers and VVAW/WSO Chicago Chapter Officers have attended meetings of the Revolutionary Union in Chicago and are generally sympathetic with the aims and purposes of the Revolutionary Union. *XU*

[REDACTED] May 14, 1974 *XU*

On May 10, 1974, [REDACTED] provided a copy of the National Office report regarding the 12th VVAW/WSO NSCM which contained the following information:

"Our position nationally in the movement as a whole has allowed us to unite with such diverse elements as the National Council of Churches on the right to the Revolutionary Union and October League on the left. This work and this unity must continue." *XU*

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VIII. INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

1. Travel to Japan

During the July 22, 1972, NSCM held at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, there was discussion regarding a trip to Japan for a meeting with the Gensuikyo. At that time [redacted] VVAW Regional Coordinator, Colorado, was announced as the representative to this meeting.

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2. Contacts with BHIKKHU GYOTSU N. SATO

BHIKKHU GYOTSU N. SATO identifies himself as permanent Director in Charge of Internal Affairs for the Japanese Council Against Atom and Hydrogen Bombs, which is described as a communist front "peace" organization in Japan.

SATO was in the Chicago, Illinois area reportedly contacting members of the VVAW/WSO. In addition, he reportedly contacted VVAW/WSO members in California; Denver, Colorado and Milwaukee, Wisconsin regarding actions to be taken during the forthcoming United States Presidential Inauguration, Washington, D.C., January 20, 1973.

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SATO visited the Milwaukee, Wisconsin area during the PM hours on November 6, 1972, where he spoke in an anti-war vein at an anti-war rally, which was held at a local church in the Milwaukee, Wisconsin area.

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On November 9, 1972, SATO was to have mailed a registered letter to the Japanese Council Against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs, 23-196, Chome Shimbashi, Minato-Ku, Tokyo, Japan. The conjecture was the letter concerned results of SATO's contacts in the United States up to that date, regarding plans for disruption of the 1973 United States Presidential Inauguration.

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SATO appeared at a meeting of the Peace Action Council, Los Angeles, California, on October 25, 1972. He spoke to those in attendance advising the purpose of his visit to the United States was to achieve a means for a peace movement in Japan to abrogate the Japan - United States Security Treaty. SATO stated "the Movement knows there are about 2,000 nuclear warheads in Japan. In order to prove this, they want to know the exact dates and places these were delivered and the names of the pilots, the planes, drivers, loaders and desk personnel involved in any way with the shipment of these warheads".

At the above mentioned meeting SATO also requested his organization in Japan also wants the same type of detailed information regarding any chemical warfare or biological warfare materials, as well as, any information regarding nuclear weapons stored on Okinawa. SATO indicated he wanted to build a Japanese -

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American committee which would protest nuclear materials.

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While in Chicago, Illinois, SATO held several closed door meetings with VVAW/WSO National Coordinators, BARRY ROMO and BART SAVAGE. Allegedly the purpose of SATO's travels concerned primarily discussions regarding demonstrations in Washington, D.C. during the forthcoming Presidential Inauguration, January 20, 1973.

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### 3. Travel to Hanoi

On December 15, 1972, an article captioned, "Delegation to Hanoi Hits U.S. Lag", appeared in the Daily World, an east coast Communist newspaper. The article related that ROMO was interviewed at the Kennedy International Airport as part of a delegation leaving for Hanoi, North Vietnam. The delegation, the article relates, was to represent the Committee of Liaison with the Families of Servicemen Detained in North Vietnam (COLIFAM). In the interview, ROMO stated that he had dedicated himself to work in the peace movement after meeting several Vietnamese people in Canada following his release from the Army. The delegation consisted of the subject; TELFORD TAYLOR, Chief Prosecutor at the Nuremburg Nazi War Crime Trials; JOAN BAEZ, the folk singer; and the Reverend MICHAEL ALLEN, Assistant Dean of the Yale Divinity School. The article further related the delegation was bringing five hundred letters to the Prisoners of War (POW's) from their families.

On January 3, 1973, an article appeared in the Daily World captioned "They Saw Devastation and Heroism in Hanoi".

This article relates the return of the COLIFAM delegation to the United States on Sunday, December 31, 1972. It reports that on January 2, 1973 the Daily World interviewed ROMO telephonically. The article relates ROMO said his visit to Hanoi convinced him that "there is no way that President NIXON can possibly defeat the Vietnamese people - short of killing everyone of them". He declared there was "deliberate" bombing in the civilian areas. He also said that the message of the POW's was in effect "Go home and tell them to Stop the War". ROMO said he was going to take this message to the American people with a concentration on his work with the VVAW.

4. Travel to Copenhagen

During the January, 1973 NSCM held in Chicago, Illinois STEVE HAWKINS said that during his recent trip to Copenhagen, he gave a substantial amount of top secret nuclear arms information to the Russians.

Also, he said that atomic and nuclear weapons were then stockpiled in Japan and that he would locate persons who were willing to substantiate this in order to discredit the NIXON administration and turn around the war efforts. He said he also hopes to obtain sufficient testimony to aggravate the Japanese into aligning with the communists and that "we" know who this information should be disseminated to.

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5. Travel to Rome, Italy; and Paris, France] (K)u

It was learned that during the period February 22 - 24, 1973, an Emergency Stockholm Peace Conference (ESPC) was to be

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held in Rome, Italy and that among those scheduled to attend were EDWARD DAMATO and [REDACTED] VVAW Regional Coordinator from the Western Missouri - Kansas Region. X U

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During the latter part of February, 1973, DAMATO and [REDACTED] attended the ESPC in Rome, Italy, where they and others met with people from Sweden, North Vietnam, Laos, Japan and other countries. X U

Also, while in Europe, DAMATO and [REDACTED] were to attend an Amnesty Conference in Paris, France, on February 19, 1973, but French Government officials denied permission for the conference to be held. However, DAMATO and [REDACTED] met in Paris with representatives of AMEX, Canada and other groups from Germany and Sweden who also had been scheduled to attend the Amnesty Conference. X U

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During the above mentioned rally, both HAWKINS and STAIGER spoke out against United States involvement in Vietnam, training with weapons capable of firing nuclear projectiles and encouraged removal of United States bases from Japan. In addition, both individuals appealed to servicemen to organize against the military. X

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HAWKINS and STAIGER proceeded to Okinawa after the March 1, 1973 rally held in Japan. On March 4, 1973, they met with Pacific Counseling Service activists and HAWKINS was taken to Kadina Air Force Base. On March 5, 1973, an open house was held at the Pacific Counseling Service Office, Koza City, Okinawa, where individuals were invited to meet HAWKINS and STAIGER.

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HAWKINS and STAIGER recently arrived in Okinawa, Japan with plans to expose the storage and maintenance of nuclear weapons in Okinawa. HAWKINS stated it is their "moral obligation" to inform the public of "these things", so the "voter" is aware of what "the Government is doing".

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On April 8, 1973, a VVAW/WSO Regional meeting was held in DeKalb, Illinois. At this meeting various persons in attendance mentioned the fact that HAWKINS testified at the recent Bikini Day Rally in Japan, letting the Japanese people know that nuclear weapons were being stored in Japan which violates the treaty between Japan and the United States. In addition, it was also stated at the Bikini Day Rally HAWKINS also made some statements regarding the current situation

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in Okinawa as it related to nuclear weapons.

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During April, 1973, the VVAW/WSO published a leaflet announcing the formation of the Yokosuka Chapter of the VVAW/WSO. The mailing address of this chapter was reflected as Post Office Box 26, Yokosuka-shi, Kanagawa-Ken, Japan.

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7. Connections with Foreign Organizations

The minutes of the April, 1973 NSCM held at Placitas, New Mexico indicated that the VVAW had communication with over 200 foreign organizations. Also, it was indicated that the VVAW was looked up to as a credible organization by these international groups and people and that the VVAW should always remember that they are tied into an international struggle.

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[redacted] horn [redacted], at [redacted] and [redacted], born [redacted], at [redacted] representatives of VVAW/WSO - Japan, Iwakuni and Yokosuka, respectively, wrote a letter to the National Office, VVAW/WSO. The letter dealt with an analysis by [redacted] and [redacted] dealing with weaknesses in VVAW/WSO arrangements for visits by its members in the United States to Japan. Weaknesses noted were poor planning, arrangements, and coordination. This was in reference to a trip by [redacted] of the Los Angeles Regional Office, VVAW/WSO, to Japan and Okinawa. One primary failure mentioned was the poor coordination undercut VVAW/WSO (Japan chapters) relations with Gensuikyo, the Communist dominated Japanese Council for the Prohibition of Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs.

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9. World Peace Council (WPC)

On October 23, 1973, approximately 39 individuals departed Chicago en route to the WPC, Moscow, whereat LEONID BREZHNEV spoke for almost three hours with the delegation. KU

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During October, 1973, BRIAN ADAMS, VVAW/WSO National Coordinator, and [redacted] VVAW/WSO, Milwaukee, and [redacted] Staff Worker, VVAW/WSO National Headquarters, represented VVAW/WSO at the WPC, Moscow, Russia. [redacted] made several contacts with Reverend SATO, Japanese militant. SATO requested [redacted] to obtain identity of persons who have knowledge of United States nuclear weapons in Japan. Plans were made to send a VVAW/WSO delegation to Hanoi at a later date. The CPUSA made a firm request for BRIAN ADAMS and [redacted] to be the representatives of VVAW/WSO at the WPC. KU

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10. Visit by VVAW/WSO Member to Communist Chinese Merchant Ship

On December 23, 1973, a member of the VVAW/WSO Yokouska chapter, Japan, visited a Communist Chinese merchant ship. X

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11. North Korean Publication Recognized VVAW/WSO X u

By letter, dated March 30, 1974, the Associate Editor of the "Peoples Korea", a North Korean publication with offices in Shinjuku-Ku Tokyo, addressed to VVAW/WSO National Headquarters, advised the publication had established friendly and cooperative relations with the Yokouska chapter VVAW/WSO. The letter asked for a copy of the "Winter Soldier" to be supplied on a regular basis. X u

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12. Contact Between VVAW/WSO Representatives and Cambodian Representatives X u

BARRY ROMO, National Coordinator, VVAW/WSO, and PETE EASTROW, VVAW/WSO Regional Coordinator, Cincinnati, Ohio, traveled to Paris, France, December, 1973, to meet with Cambodian representatives to show support of Cambodians who would disagree with increase of United States bombing of Cambodia, North and South Vietnam, should increase occur in the future. X u

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13. Contacts with Various Groups and Movements

The National Office Report regarding the 12th VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee meeting contained the following information: X u

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"Internationally, our contacts and relations have grown and strengthened. We have developed relations with people's groups in Korea, Cambodia, the African Liberation movement, Germany and Italy. As our work continues, we must constantly remember our internationalism along with our local work. We must constantly push forward the united effort of all progressive people in the United States for an end to U.S. imperialism." *R-U*

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APPENDIX

Characterizations of certain organizations mentioned in the report:

American Indian Movement (AIM)

The AIM was founded in Minnesota in 1968, dedicated to improving conditions for the American Indian. AIM recently led and participated in confrontations with local authorities in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, and the Rapid City-Custer area of South Dakota. AIM led the takeover and occupation of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, in February-May, 1973.

American Servicemen's Union (ASU)

The ASU was founded in 1968 by the Workers World Party (WWP). Its objective is to cause discontent among military enlisted personnel and call for the establishment of a servicemen's union. Its main propaganda weapon is the publication "The Bond - The Servicemen's Newspaper."

Black Panther Party (BPP)

The BPP is a black extremist organization started in Oakland, California, in December, 1966. It formerly advocated the use of guns and guerrilla tactics to bring about the overthrow of the United States Government. Since early 1971 it has preached a policy of "survival pending revolution," and is seeking to organize the black community for the revolution it claims will ultimately follow.

Committee for Action Research Center in the Intelligence Community (CARIC)

CARIC is a VVAW/WSO project which investigates intelligence in the United States.

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"Daily World"

The "Daily World" is an East Coast Communist newspaper. /

"Gainesville 8"

The "Gainesville 8" is a group of eight individuals, headed by SCOTT CAMIL of Florida, who are members or friends of the VVAW/WSO. On July 13, 1972, they were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury and subsequently tried in U.S. District Court, Gainesville, Florida, for conspiracy to violate Federal anti-riot laws at the Republican National Convention in Miami, Florida, in August, 1972. In September, 1973, the "Gainesville 8" were acquitted.

Gary Lawton Defense Committee

The Gary Lawton Trial is a project of the California/Nevada Region VVAW/WSO of major proportion. The Los Angeles area VVAW/WSO acts as a coordinator of the National Organization Project in this regard. The published literature to the case of GARY LAWTON and ZUREBU GARDNER is handled by the Lawton, Gardner Offense-Defense Committee, Post Office Box 244, Riverside, California, which is in fact the Riverside Organizing Committee of the VVAW/WSO. The case relates to the murder of two Riverside, California, policemen for which GARDNER and LAWTON are charged. GARY LAWTON is a member of the VVAW/WSO and has traveled extensively throughout the United States in the last several months on speaking engagements in his defense while out on parole.

"GI Project" (formerly NOSCAM)

NOSCAM was created by the VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee in July, 1972, in Milwaukee. NOSCAM's job is to help VVAW/WSO build a strong, viable, and ongoing GI movement. Recently the NOSCAM name was changed

to "GI Project" to more closely describe the duties of this group.

Japanese Council Against Atomic and H-Bombs (Gensuikyo)

The Gensuikyo is a Communist-dominated "peace" type group to fight for the prohibition of atomic and hydrogen bombs.

National Council for Universal and Unconditional Amnesty (NCUUA)

The minutes of the Steering Committee, NCUUA, dated June 28, 1973, reflect the purpose of the NCUUA to be to mobilize the American people to work for a universal and unconditional amnesty and to educate them concerning the structures and institutions that created the war in Southeast Asia. The council is committed to working for universal and unconditional amnesty for all persons suffering disabilities because of opposition to United States involvement in the war in Southeast Asia, to the draft, and to the military. The council is demanding an immediate amnesty review for all military resisters including deserters and draft resisters whether in exile or underground in the United States, all persons who because of their opposition to the war and the military have been administratively punished, convicted by civil or military courts, or are subject to prosecution, and all veterans with less than honorable discharges.

National Peace Action Coalition (NPAC)

The NPAC was formed and made operational in 1970 by members of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP). The NPAC is led by national coordinators, who in most instances are either members of the SWP, Young Socialist Alliance (YSA), or sympathizers towards their cause.



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The NPAC is a single issue, non-membership organization demanding immediate removal of all United States forces and materials in Southeast Asia.

October League (OL)

The OL was formed in 1969 in Los Angeles, California, as an informal group of Marxist-Leninist individuals with the purpose of instilling in the working class a Marxist-Leninist philosophy. In late 1971, its founders decided to organize nationally to form a new Maoist oriented Communist party in the United States with the purpose of uniting and leading the working class and its allies, the oppressed minorities, in a military insurrection to establish a new proletarian state. As of January, 1974, the OL claimed to have nine chapters and is continuing to expand nationally. OL leaders and members have visited the People's Republic of China and the OL is known to have received financial support from the Chinese Government.

Pacific Counseling Service (PCS)

PCS has an avowed goal of disrupting United States military functions, primarily by subverting U.S. military personnel and discrediting the U.S. Government, both at home and abroad.

Peace Action Council (PAC)

The PAC is an umbrella organization which coordinates demonstrations and other forms of protests against American involvement in Southeast Asia. MARTIN HALL, its chairman, has been publicly identified as having been a leading figure in the Communist Party in Germany.

Progressive Labor Party (PLP)

The PLP, founded in 1965 by former members of the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), who assertedly followed a Chinese Communist line, is a revolutionary Marxist-Leninist

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organization dedicated to a dictatorship of the working class.

Revolutionary Union (RU)

The RU was founded in early 1968 and is a militant, semi-clandestine organization. Its objectives, as set out in its publications, are the development of a united front against imperialism, the fostering of revolutionary working class unity and leadership in struggle, and the formation of a communist party based on Marxism-Leninism-MAO Tse-tung thought, leading to the overthrow of the United States Government by force and violence.

Socialist Workers Party (SWP)

The SWP, headquartered in New York City, is a revolutionary, Trotskyist-communist organization which has as its purpose the overthrow of the United States Government, the institution of a dictatorship of the working class and the eventual achievement of a Communist society. SWP was founded in the United States in 1938 as the American section of the worldwide Trotskyist revolutionary organization named the Fourth International (FI), which is headquartered in Europe. In 1940, SWP withdrew its formal affiliation with the FI to escape application of the Voorhis Act, which regulates certain types of organizations subject to foreign control. From 1940 to the present time, however, SWP has continued a close association with the FI and participates and votes as a "sympathizing group" in FI meetings.

While the SWP does not openly advocate the use of violence at the present time to overthrow the U.S. Government, the SWP believes that eventual violent revolution in the United States is inevitable. SWP seeks to precipitate revolution when conditions are ripe and to direct and seize control of the revolution when it occurs.

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Importantly, the FI at its World Congress in Europe in 1974 took a position favoring the current use of guerrilla warfare and armed struggle to achieve revolution in South America and elsewhere if local conditions indicate that such violence would enhance revolution. A majority of the SWP delegation to the FI opposed the current use of violence only on the ground that it is premature whereas a minority of the SWP delegation favored the FI endorsement of violence.

The investigation of the SWP is, therefore, for the purpose of keeping the U.S. Government apprised of the activities of this organization and its members to determine if there is a violation of laws of the United States.

Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc. (SCEF)

The SCEF, Louisville, Kentucky, successor to the Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW), founded in 1938 and cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, June 12, 1947, as a Communist front, is "committed to . . . the abolition of an economic system based on the profit motive instead of . . . needs of people. . . ."

Students for a Democratic Society (SDS)

SDS was founded during June, 1962, at Port Huron, Michigan, and in the 1960's functioned as the leading New Left campus-based student organization in the United States. From an initial posture of "participatory democracy," SDS moved to a radical-revolutionary position, with debate centering on how best to create a revolutionary youth movement. Internal factionalism produced a split during the SDS National Convention in June, 1969, which resulted in the following three factions: Weatherman, Worker Student Alliance (WSA), and Revolutionary Youth Movement (RYM). The Weatherman and RYM are no longer affiliated with SDS. WSA continues to use the name SDS and maintains its national headquarters at the Progressive Labor Party

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Office, 139 Main Street. Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Student Mobilization Committee (SMC)

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

United Front of Cairo (UFC)

The UFC is a predominantly black organization which has maintained an economic boycott of the white merchants of Cairo, Illinois, since August, 1969.

Venceremos Brigade (VB)

The VB was formed in June, 1969, by a coalition of New Left organizations to encourage American youth to travel to Cuba in defiance of a ban on travel to that country by the United States Department of State. The ostensible purpose of the travel was to assist the Castro regime in the harvesting of sugar cane and other agricultural products, more recently to engage in construction projects, and to give young Americans the experience of living in a revolutionary Communist country.

Women's Strike for Peace (WSP)

WSP is a peace-oriented women's organization opposed to the United States foreign policy in Vietnam. Founded in 1961 in Washington, D.C., local Southern California WSP headquarters are maintained at 5899 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. WSP locally is quite active in draft counseling. WSP is a non-membership organization and has no officers. No effort is made to exclude from its activities members of, or persons sympathetic to, the Communist Party, USA, and related groups.

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Workers Action Movement (WAM)

WAM was organized in February, 1972, by the Progressive Labor Party (PLP) to build a base in the trade union movement in order to recruit workers closer to the PLP.

Workers World Party (WWP)

The WWP was founded in 1959 by individuals who disagreed with policies of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP). The WWP dissidents advocated unconditional support of the Soviet Union and the building of a revolutionary party geared to the overthrow of capitalism. More recently, the WWP has called for peaceful solutions to Sino-Soviet disputes; however, the WWP generally supports the People's Republic of China in its ideological differences with the Soviet Union.

World Peace Council (WPC)

The WPC was formed at the conclusion of the second World Peace Congress held in Warsaw, Poland, November 16-22, 1950, under the Communist initiative. It continues today as a major international effort to discredit the United States, with headquarters at Helsinki, Finland.

Youth Against War and Fascism (YAWF)

YAWF is the youth group of the Workers World Party. Its Chicago Office is located at 542 South Dearborn Street, Room 409.

Young Socialist Alliance (YSA)

YSA is the youth arm of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP).

Characterization of Certain Individuals  
Mentioned in the Report

ADAMS, BRIAN

Is currently a VVAW/WSO National Coordinator.

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BANGERT, RICHARD

Is currently a VVAW/WSO National Coordinator.

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During 1973 he attended several meetings of the VVAW/WSO Northern Illinois-Iowa District.

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Is currently a VVAW/WSO National Staff worker.

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DAMATO, EDWARD

Is currently a VVAW/WSO National Coordinator.

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Is currently a VVAW/WSO Assistant Staff Worker assigned to their "G.I. Project."

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Is the VVAW/WSO Regional Coordinator in southern California.

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HAWKINS, STEVE

Is a former VVAW/WSO National Coordinator.

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During 1973, [REDACTED] was an active participant in VVAW/WSO affairs.

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During 1973 he attended several meetings of the VVAW/WSO Northern-Illinois District.

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Is currently a VVAW/WSO National Staff worker who coordinates their VVAW/WSO "G.I. Project."

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During 1973, [REDACTED] was the VVAW/WSO Regional Coordinator in Kansas.

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[REDACTED] 5/30/74) X u

Is currently a VVAW/WSO National Staff worker who acts in a liaison capacity with various "anti-war" or "peace type" groups.

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Is a VVAW/WSO member assigned to their Operation County Fair project at Boque Chita, Alabama.

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ROMO, BARRY

Is a former VVAW/WSO National Coordinator.

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SCHORR, SAMUEL

Is currently a VVAW/WSO National Coordinator.

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SAVAGE, BART

Is a former VVAW/WSO National Coordinator.

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As of 12/73, [REDACTED] was a member of the Dayton, Ohio, VVAW/WSO Chapter.

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WATSON, MARLA

Is currently a VVAW/WSO National Coordinator.

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During 1973 he attended a few meetings of the VVAW/WSO Northern Illinois District.

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ZASTROW, PETER

Is currently a VVAW/WSO National Coordinator.

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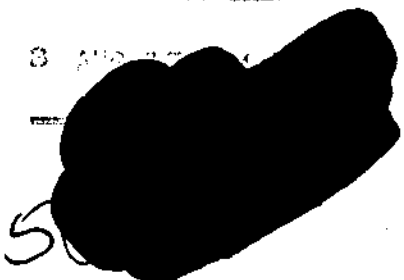
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[REDACTED] AVENUE, [REDACTED] NEW JERSEY,

DRIVER'S LICENSE [REDACTED] DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] EYES, 201-220, [REDACTED] EMPLOYED BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STREET, [REDACTED] AVENUE, [REDACTED] NEW JERSEY,

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LICENSE EXPIRES [REDACTED]

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GBX-364, IS AN INACTIVE TAG, ISSUED TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STREET, CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, ON A 1959 RAMBLER.

A REVIEW OF NEWARK INDICES NEGATIVE REGARDING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: August 6, 1974

FROM : LEGAT, TOKYO

SUBJECT: PACIFIC COUNSELING SERVICE (PCS)  
IS  
(Bufile 14-3079)  
(TOKfile 100-731) P

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
IS  
(Bufile 100-448092)  
(TOKfile 100-1005) P

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



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Enclosed for the information of the Bureau are seven copies of "Semper Fi;" three copies of "Omega Press;" and one copy of "Fall in at Ease."

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The enclosed publications are published and distributed by supporters of captioned organizations in mainland Japan and Okinawa.

No copies retained by Tokyo.

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- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 11)
- 1 - Foreign Liaison Unit
- 3 - Tokyo
  - 1 - 100-731
  - 1 - 100-1005
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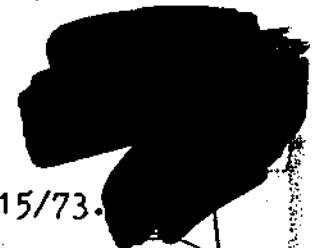
TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (100-12313)(RUC)

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

DATE: 8/14/74

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Re Portland letter to the Bureau dated 11/15/73.

On 4/24/74, a knowledgeable source in a position to provide information of this type advised that to his knowledge there has been no Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) chapter or activity in Portland, Oregon.

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On 5/20/74, [redacted] advised that to the best of his knowledge, there has been no VVAW/Winter Soldier Organization (WSO) activity in the Eugene, Oregon area since Veterans Day in November, 1973. Even at that time, the organization had evolved to the point where the organization had no influence in the Eugene area. The last meeting of the Lane County Veterans Against the War (LCVAW) was held in January, 1974, at which time this meeting was attended by only two persons. [redacted] is believed to still be the regional coordinator for the State of Oregon and [redacted] is the chapter president of the Eugene organization.

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On 6/6/74, [redacted] advised that so far as he is able to determine, the VVAW/WSO organization in the Corvallis, Oregon area is totally defunct.

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On 5/24/74, [redacted] indicated that on the VVAW/WSO regional breakdown, the Oregon region is considered for all practical purposes to be a defunct region.

In view of the above information, it would appear that the VVAW is no longer an active organization in the State of Oregon, having little or no influence by the national organization in Chicago, Illinois. In view of this, the case is being placed in RUC status.

- 2 - Bureau (AM)(RM)
- 2 - Chicago (100-53924)(AM)(RM)
- 1 - Portland

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TO : Director, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 8/16/74

FROM: SAC, Cleveland (100-31431) (C)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
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Re Cleveland letter 5/31/74, Cleveland letter and LHM, 6/26/74 and Bureau airtel to SAC Albany, dated 7/15/74.

According to criteria set forth in referenced Bureau airtel, Cleveland Division has no VVAW/WSO chapter in the division meeting qualifications for continued investigation.

In referenced Cleveland communications, Bureau was advised that there is only one VVAW/WSO chapter in this division, at Kent State University, and that that chapter is virtually defunct.

Cleveland will remain alert for any indication of effective organizing in this division of VVAW/WSO chapter following the Marxist-Leninist line of the National Council.

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2 - Cleveland  
(1 - 100-30800) (VVAW/WSO-KSU)

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)(ATTN: INTD) DATE: 8/14/74

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (100-11445) -RUC-

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO),  
REGIONAL CONFERENCE MEETING,  
ONEONTA, NEW YORK,  
JULY 27-28, 1974  
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(OO: CHICAGO)

Re Albany nitel to Director, 7/30/74, and Bureau airtel to Albany, 7/15/74.

Referenced Albany nitel requested registered owner of current Virginia license 998-ATW. For the information of Albany, this is not a correct license for Virginia.

Current Virginia license ATW-998 is registered to [redacted] SSAN [redacted] Avenue, Portsmouth, Va., for a 1973 Chevrolet.

Richmond indices negative re [redacted]

For information of Norfolk, referenced Albany nitel indicated a vehicle bearing Va. license 998-ATW observed at captioned meeting and Albany requested registered names be determined.

For the information of the Bureau, there are no VVAW/WSO chapters in existence in the Richmond territory.

Norfolk advise Albany of any pertinent information known concerning [redacted]

- 2 - Bureau
- 2 - Albany (100-22519)
- 2 - Norfolk (100-6915)
- 2 - Chicago (100-50772)
- 1 - Richmond

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: AUG 15 1974

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-160644)

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

ReNYnitels, 6/26/74 and 6/27/74.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are five (5) copies of an LHM, dated and captioned as above concerning the seizure of the office of the Regional Director of the Veteran's Administration (VA), NYC, during VVAW/WSO sponsored demonstration 6/27/74.

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- 2-Bureau (Encls. 5) (RM)
- 2-Chicago (100-50772) (Encls. 2) (RM)
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- 1-New York (100-178511) (3A3)
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- 1-New York (100-180712) (3A6)
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- 1-New York (100-168419) (3A3)
- 1-New York (105-100707) (RU) (3A3)
- 1-New York (100-174832) (RSB) (3A3)
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Enclosed for Chicago, the Office of Origin, are two (2) copies of the LHM.

Sources utilized in the LHM are as follows:

First source is [REDACTED]  
Second source is [REDACTED]  
Third source is [REDACTED]

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The LHM is classified "Confidential" to protect the identities of the first, second and third sources, who are confidential informants furnishing information on a continuing basis on subversive matters. The unauthorized disclosure of the identities of these sources could reasonably be expected to damage the national defense.

The following is the status of the investigations of those persons referred to in attached LHM as having been arrested on 6/27/74:

<u>Subject</u>	<u>NY File Number</u>	<u>Status</u>
[REDACTED]	100-178743	C
[REDACTED]	100-178511	C
[REDACTED]	100-163583	P (ADEX)
[REDACTED]	100-180712	P
[REDACTED]	100-180676	P
[REDACTED]	100-179483	P
[REDACTED]	100-177421	C
[REDACTED]	100-172302	C
[REDACTED]	100-178296	P
[REDACTED]	105-103175	C

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[REDACTED]	100-180621	P
[REDACTED]	100-168419	C
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First source is [REDACTED], Detective, NYC  
Police Department, Intelligence Division (requested).

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

AUG 15 1974

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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NYfile 100-160644

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

On June 25, 1974, first source furnished information that the New York City Chapter, Vietnam Veterans Against The War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) planned a demonstration at the Veterans Administration (VA) Hospital, First Avenue and East 23rd Street, New York City, on June 27, 1974, starting at 11:00 AM. Purposes of the demonstration were to demand that the VA publicize the VVAW/WSO demonstration in Washington, D.C., July 1-4, 1974, that the VA provide free transportation to all veterans who wish to go to Washington, D.C., and that the VA provide full benefits for all veterans regardless of discharge and urge the Department of Defense to issue a single type discharge retroactive for all veterans. According to the source the demonstration would consist of a picket line and speeches.

The VVAW was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. Since that time, VVAW leaders have told members the VVAW is a revolutionary group, not "just another group of war veterans".

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

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Also the membership has been told the VVAW has been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations including communist and Marxist groups. Additionally, it was indicated that "anti-imperialist groups" consider the VVAW a potent organization of similar stature in the United States. In April, 1973, the group changed their name to VVAW/WSO so that non-veterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine.

On June 26, 1974, second source advised the Revolutionary Union (RU) and the Revolutionary Students Brigade (RSB) would participate in the VVAW/WSO sponsored demonstration in New York City on June 27, 1974. The RSB had planned a "militant" action, the nature of which was unknown to source at that time.

The RU was founded in early 1968 and is a militant, semi-clandestine organization. Its objectives, as set out in its publication, 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.

The RSB, formerly known as the Attica Brigade (AB), is a student-based organization founded in New York City in the Fall of 1971. The RSB considers itself to be an anti-imperialist organization which views United States imperialism as the

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main enemy of the people of the world. The RSB favors violent actions to further its cause and is moving closer in ideology to the RU, which has significantly infiltrated the RSB and plays a major role in the RSB policies, decisions and activities. As of July, 1974, the RSB is headquartered in New York City. The RU is a basic Marxist-Leninist-Maoist revolutionary organization.

On June 26, 1974, third source advised that the VVAW/WSO was planning a "militant" action against a VA facility in the New York City area on June 27, 1974. The exact location and time of the action was not known to source at that time. The RU and the RSB would support the action.

Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) observed about 60 demonstrators gather in front of the VA Hospital, First Avenue and East 23rd Street, New York City, at about 11:00 AM on June 27, 1974. Banners displayed by demonstrators indicated the sponsors to be the VVAW/WSO. The demonstration consisted of a picket line, chanting of slogans, the distribution of VVAW/WSO, leaflets demanding universal, unconditional amnesty, an end of all aid to Cambodia and South Vietnam, single type discharge for all veterans, decent benefits for all veterans and "Kick Nixon Out." The demonstration ended at about 11:45 AM as many of the demonstrators proceeded to the Regional Office of the VA at 252 Seventh Avenue, New York City.

At the VA Regional Office the picket line demonstration was resumed. It was also observed that a VVAW/WSO emblem and a longer white streamer were unfurled from a 16th floor window at the VA Regional Office building. Communication between the demonstrators on the 16th floor of the building and those on the street was maintained through the public pay telephone at West 25th Street and Seventh Avenue, New York City. The demonstrators outside the building numbered about 60.

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On June 27, 1974, John B. De Leo, Chief Attorney, VA Regional Office, New York City, advised that an undetermined number of demonstrators entered the office of the VA Regional Director located on the 16th floor at 252 Seventh Avenue, New York City, and expelled the Director and his staff from the office at about 11:50 AM, on June 27, 1974. The demonstrators locked the doors to the office from the inside, and barricaded the doors with furniture and file cabinets. Negotiations between VA officials and the demonstrators occupying the office continued throughout the day. The demonstrators demanded that the VA publicize the VVAW/WSO demonstration in Washington, D.C., on July 1-4, 1974 and pay the transportation costs for all veterans who wished to attend the Washington, D.C. demonstrations. The occupants of the seized office refused to vacate the premises. Negotiations between VA officials, Government Services Administration officials, New York City Police Department and an attorney for the demonstrators resulted in the peaceable arrest of the demonstrators by the New York City Police Department on local charges of criminal trespass at 7:00 PM. Notes left by demonstrators in the VA Regional Director's Office indicated that the VVAW/WSO, RU and the RSB had participated in the activity. The seized offices did not appear to be damaged.

On July 1, 1974, fourth source advised that the following persons were arrested by officers of the New York City Police Department (NYCPD) at the VA Regional Director's Office on June 27, 1974, charged with criminal trespass:

[REDACTED] Avenue  
Bronx, New York  
Date of Birth (DOB) [REDACTED]  
Occupation - Student, Lehman College,  
Bronx, New York

[REDACTED] Avenue,  
Bronx, New York  
DOB [REDACTED]  
Occupation - Student, State University of  
New York, Stony Brook, New York

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[REDACTED] Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York  
DOB - [REDACTED]  
Occupation - Unemployed

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Street  
Bronx, New York  
DOB - [REDACTED]  
Occupation - Unemployed

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Avenue  
New York City  
DOB - [REDACTED]  
Occupation - Unemployed

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Avenue  
Bronx, New York  
DOB - [REDACTED]  
Occupation - Unemployed

[REDACTED]  
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Brooklyn, New York  
DOB - [REDACTED]  
Occupation - Unemployed

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Street  
New York City  
DOB - [REDACTED]  
Occupation - Housewife

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Avenue  
Bronx, New York  
DOB - [REDACTED]

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Occupation [redacted] New York  
News Service,  
129 West 22nd Street,  
New York City

[redacted] Avenue  
Bronx, New York  
DOB - [redacted]  
Occupation - Auto Mechanic

[redacted] West End Avenue  
New York City  
DOB - [redacted]  
Occupation - Unemployed

[redacted] East 26th Street  
New York City NY  
DOB - [redacted]  
Occupation - Unemployed

The following persons were arrested at the VA  
Regional Office, New York City, on June 27, 1974, in connection  
with the demonstration at that location on that date on the charge  
of Obstructing Government Administration:

[redacted] West Martin Street  
Snowhill, Maryland  
DOB - [redacted] 47  
Occupation - Unemployed

[redacted] 179th Street  
Jamaica, Queens, New York  
DOB - [redacted]  
Occupation - Student  
Queens College, Queens, New  
York

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On July 10, 1974, third source advised that [REDACTED] is associated with the RU.

On July 10, 1974, third source identified [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] as members of the RU.

On August 6, 1974, second source advised [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are members of the RU.

On August 8, 1974, first source advised that [REDACTED] also known as [REDACTED], [REDACTED] also known as [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are members of the New York City Chapter VVAW/WSO.

On August 6, 1974, second source advised that [REDACTED] is a member of the RSB.

On July 15, 1974, fourth source advised that the twelve persons arrested at the VVAW/WSO demonstration at the VA building on June 27, 1974, on the charge of Criminal Trespass pleaded guilty to the reduced charge of Disorderly Conduct in the New York City Criminal Court, 100 Centre Street, New York City, on July 9, 1974, and received unconditional discharges. Source had no information concerning the disposition of the arrests of the two persons arrested on June 27, 1974, on the charge of Obstructing Governmental Administration.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448002)

OMAHA (100-9293)

FROM CHICAGO (100-5432) 2P

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
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DEMONSTRATION AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON, WEST BRANCH,  
IOWA, AUGUST 10, 1974, 2:00 PM, IS -RSB; VVAW/WSO.

RE CHICAGO TEL DATED AUGUST 8, 1974.

[redacted] INSTANT DATED ADVISED DUE TO RESIGNATION  
OF PRESIDENT THAT PORTION OF DEMONSTRATION TO BE HELD  
AT WEST BRANCH CANCELLED. REMAINDER OF DEMONSTRATION  
UNCHANGED.

REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU), REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT  
BRIGADE (RSB), AND VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER  
SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) PLAN TO HOLD DEMONSTRATION  
AT CIVIC CENTER, CHICAGO, AUGUST 10 CELEBRATING NIXON'S RESIGNATION.

PLANNING MEETINGS BEING HELD TONIGHT IN CHICAGO  
AND FINAL TACTICAL LEADERSHIP MEETING TO BE HELD

11 AM AUGUST 10, AT 1515 WEST ARTHUR, CHICAGO,  
(THIRD FLOOR). SOURCE WILL COVER

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ADVISED.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (70- ) (100-448092)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (70- ) (100-50772)

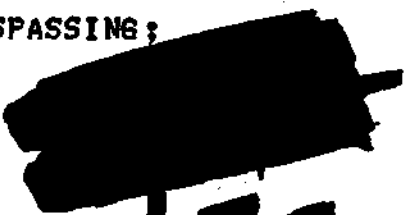
ATTENTION: INTD

UNSUBS; VIET NAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER

ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE WEST SIDE

HOSPITAL, 820 SOUTH DAMEN, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, CGR-TRESPASSING;

IS - VVAW/WSO, OO: CHICAGO.



RE CHICAGO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, AUGUST 19, 1974.

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OBSERVANTS AT ABOVE VA HOSPITAL DETERMINED THAT VIET  
 NAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
 (VVAW/WSO) DEMONSTRATORS LEFT PEACEFULLY AFTER DEMONSTRATION  
 AT THIS HOSPITAL WITHOUT FURTHER INCIDENT. DEMONSTRATORS  
 LATER DETERMINED TO TOTAL APPROXIMATELY 50 IN NUMBER WITH ABOUT  
 HALF YOUNG WHITE FEMALES AND MOST DEMONSTRATORS IN "HIPPIE" ATTIRE.

AUSA HOWARD HOFFMAN, NDI, CHICAGO, ADVISED THIS DATE  
 THAT BASED ON NO INCIDENTS HAVING OCCURRED AT ABOVE VA HOSPITAL,  
 NO PROSECUTIVE ACTION TAKEN AGAINST THE VVAW/WSO OR ANY OF  
 ITS MEMBERS.

LHM UNDER INTERNAL SECURITY CAPTION TO FOLLOW.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (~~100-478661~~)  
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (100-11256) (C)  
SUBJECT: [REDACTED] b7c [REDACTED]

aka [REDACTED]  
SMIS - VVAW

0 Vietnam Veterans Against the War

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of LHM captioned as above. One copy of LHM is being furnished to the Columbia Division for information, inasmuch as subject's permanent home address is in Sumter, South Carolina. Copies are being disseminated locally to Secret Service, Charlotte, North Carolina, and 902nd MIG, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Two copies of FD-376 attached.

Origin of LHM is being shown as Cincinnati in order to further protect source.

Confidential source is [REDACTED] location [REDACTED] to be serialized.

Inasmuch as subject currently in military service, no further investigation is being conducted.

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

August 8, 1974

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

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

RE: [REDACTED] ALSO KNOWN AS

Dear Sir:

INTERNAL SECURITY - VIETNAM VETERANS  
AGAINST THE WAR (VVAW)

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

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- 5.  Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
- 6.  Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
- 7.  Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph  has been furnished  enclosed  is not available.

Very truly yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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Mr. [REDACTED]  
1 - Special Agent in Charge [REDACTED] Enclosure(s)  
U. S. Secret Service 226 Skeen Building, 453 Park Road  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28209  
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Cincinnati, Ohio  
August 8, 1974

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ALSO KNOWN AS [REDACTED]  
INTERNAL SECURITY - VIETNAM VETERANS  
AGAINST THE WAR

On July 20, 1974, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that it was learned that [REDACTED] also known as [REDACTED] home address [REDACTED] Road, Sumter, South Carolina, telephone number 773-[REDACTED] had recently submitted an application for membership in the Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW), to the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), Dayton, Ohio. [REDACTED] indicated that he was presently in the military service and incarcerated at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

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

Source, whose identity is concealed herein, has furnished reliable information in the past, except where otherwise noted.

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1973, the group changed their name to Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) so that non-veterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine.

Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 8/20/74

Attached and prior teletypes concern demonstration by approximately 50 individuals in Chicago on 8/19/74 at Veterans Administration Hospital. Pamphlets passed out by demonstrators indicate demonstration sponsored by VVAW/WSO. Since no incidents occurred, Assistant United States Attorney Howard Hoffman, Chicago, advised no prosecutive action will be taken against demonstrators.

VVAW/WSO has characterized itself as a mass anti-imperialist organization. Its leadership has been identified as Marxist-Leninist oriented.

Dissemination made to General Crimes Section, Internal Security Section and Civil Disturbance Unit of the Department and being made to Secret Service and Veterans Administration.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/22/74

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FROM : SAC, ALBANY (100-23326) (C)

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

Re Bureau airtel to Albany, 7/19/74, entitled  
"VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO), IS".

A review of captioned file failed to reflect any  
information indicating that members of the Oneonta Chapter  
subscribe to a Marxist-Leninist doctrine or that the chapter  
members are violence prone.

In view of the fact the Oneonta Chapter does not  
meet the criteria set forth in referenced airtel, investigation  
in this case is being discontinued.

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2-Albany  
(1-100-23326)  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 8/22/74

FROM <sup>VFL/RC</sup>: SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-1134) (C)

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

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ReBuairtel to Albany, 7/15/74.

Las Vegas has reviewed file on VVAW/WSO and there are no chapters or individual members that meet qualifications for continued investigation.

Case is being closed in Las Vegas.

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- ② - Bureau
  - 1 - Las Vegas
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Officer   
Intelligence Division  
Portland Police Bureau  
Portland, Oregon  
(By request)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) DATE: 8/23/74  
(ATTN: INTD)

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

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
REGIONAL CONFERENCE MEETING  
ONEONTA, NEW YORK  
7/27-28/74  
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(OO: CHICAGO)

Re Albany nitel to Bureau, 7/30/74, and Richmond letter to Bureau, 8/14/74.

In referenced Albany nitel, Richmond was requested to determine the registered owner of Virginia License 998-ATW.

In referenced Richmond letter, information pertaining to Virginia License ATW-998 was set forth to indicate that license was issued to [REDACTED] SSAN [REDACTED] Avenue, Portsmouth, Virginia, for a 1973 Chevrolet. **b7c**

Norfolk indices negative regarding [REDACTED]

There are no VVAW/WSO chapters or any known active members of the VVAW/WSO in the Norfolk Division.

- ② - Bureau
- 2 - Albany (100-22519)
- 2 - Chicago (100-50772)
- 1 - Norfolk

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) DATE: 8/21/74

FROM : *WHL* SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (100-3808) (C)

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

*Anthony  
Luttrell*

ReBuairtel to Albany, 7/15/74, and Albuquerque airtel to Bureau, 6/14/74.

As previously reported in referenced Albuquerque airtel, it was noted that the VVAW/WSO in the New Mexico-Arizona region is regarded as "basically defunct." Only one meeting was held at the University of New Mexico (UNM) during the 1973 academic year and that was on 12/4/73. Other sources have advised they are aware of no VVAW/WSO activity at UNM during 1973-1974 academic year.

No information has been developed that leaders or members of the VVAW/WSO group at UNM subscribe to a Marxist-Leninist or other violence-prone philosophy. Further, there is no indication that the group at UNM has been infiltrated or dominated by individuals supporting Marxist-Leninist ideologies advocating overthrow of the U. S. Government or other actions in violation of the laws of the United States.

Accordingly, instant file is being placed in a closed status. Individual cases have been previously closed.

- 2 - Bureau (RM)
  - 2 - Chicago (100-50772) (RM)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 8/23/74

FROM : *nik* SAC, DETROIT (100-39271) (C)

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

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Re Detroit report of SA [redacted], 5/28/74,  
and Bureau airtel to Albany, 7/15/74.

This letter is being classified confidential in order to protect source.

A review of Detroit File 100-39271, captioned as above, revealed that the VVAW/WSO has been defunct and has not held an official meeting since 1/73. No activities have been reported since that date.

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In view of the above, Detroit is placing this case in a closed status.

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  - 2 - Chicago (100-50772) (RM)
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-50772)  
SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
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Re Chicago teletypes, 8/19/74, captioned, "Unsubs, Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO). Veterans Administration West Side Hospital, 820 South Damen Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, CGR-Trespass; IS-VVAW/WSO" and "Unsubs; Viet Nam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), Federal Administrative West Side Hospital, 820 South Damen, Chicago, Illinois, CGR-Trespassing; IS-VVAW/WSO."

Enclosed are five copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above, concerning the occupation of Veteran's Administration facilities, Chicago, Illinois, during an 8/19/74 VVAW/WSO sponsored demonstration.

U.S. Secret Service Agent **[Redacted]** was advised of activity as set forth in the LHM.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Chicago, Illinois  
August 21, 1974

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

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On August 19, 1974, [REDACTED] Security Office, Veterans Administration West Side Hospital, 820 South Damen Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, advised the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that at 11:55 a.m., that date, a group of approximately 30 individuals occupied the office of Mr. Claude Gillam, Regional Director of the Veterans Administration, who was out of town at the time of this activity. At the same time, approximately 30 other individuals occupied the lobby of the hospital. Through their distribution of literature the identity of these individuals was determined to be the VVAW/WSO.

Literature distribution indicated "Ford to name new VA Director at VFW convention at Conrad Hilton - Same enemy - Same fight - Demonstrate; The names have changed---but the game is the same!"

Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed the above individuals depart from the office of the Regional Director of the Veterans Administration and the lobby of the hospital at 2:10 p.m., after the group held a discussion with Mr. J. Purdy, Chief Attorney for the Veterans Administration facility.

The Chicago Police Department was present throughout the entire proceedings which were peaceful with no arrests.

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

Assistant United States Attorney Howard Hoffman, Northern District of Illinois, advised that since no incidents occurred at the Veterans Administration Hospital prosecutive action was not warranted.

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