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SITUATION INFORMATION REPORT

Demonstrations planned by antiwar and anti-establishment radicals for the fall season have now been scheduled and there remains only the matter of tactics before the country is again faced with disruptions aimed at protesting not only the war but a wide variety of alleged national shortcomings. There has been in recent weeks some drift away from the single-issue strategy which has traditionally been embraced by the Trotskyite Socialist Workers Party family of organizations. Although the National Peace Action Coalition still maintains a superficial single-issue posture, other issues are creeping into the protest dialogue. National Peace Action Coalition spokesmen and supporters are beginning to attack the President's economic policy and at a recent Washington news conference, Charles Cheng, number two man in Washington, D. C.'s Teachers' Union, was promoting militant street action by labor if the economic freeze continues past its designated termination date.

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As for the Communist Party USA influenced People's Coalition for Peace and Justice, it appears now that they have dropped plans that were originally proposed to follow the fall mass demonstrations of the NPAC. The battle continues between the two major ideologies in the protest movement and PCPJ spokesmen undoubtedly feel that by preceding scheduled plans by the NPAC, they may be able to preempt the leadership in the anti-establishment struggle. It will be remembered that last spring PCPJ activities followed the mass march on Washington and as a result, observers feel the Trotskyites scored a major victory in the battle to dominate the American left-wing dissident movement.

The May Day Collective movement has made a number of militant recommendations for civil disobedience that will probably, at least in part, be adopted by the PCPJ. May Day as an organization, however, seems definitely on the way out. They were forced out of Washington offices last week because they were unable to pay the rent. Probably most May Day activists will be welcomed into the ranks of the PCPJ, but it is also possible that still another dissident radical political entity will emerge from fall activities. Such prominent leaders as Rennie Davis, John Froines, and others are leaders and not followers and if they fail

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to gain significant control of established organizations, the easy avenue is simply to start a group of their own.

The PCPJ and remnants of the May Day Collective have also decided this fall to ride on the coattails of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War, led now principally by Al Hubbard. The veterans group has for some time been planning activities on Veteran's Day, October 25 and the PCPJ has jumped on this date, has claimed joint sponsorship, and undoubtedly hope to gather added movement sympathy through co-operation with the vets. The Vietnam Veterans Against the War received a remarkably sympathetic greeting from a number of members of Congress last spring. Political acceptance is undoubtedly viewed as a valuable plus in promoting leftist causes and challenging the established order.

The PCPJ in recent weeks has drifted into a number of channels in its continuing effort to enlist a broad base of support. It has long since been the tactic of CPUSA-oriented organizations to offer something for everyone, most especially the American labor movement. A Washington PCPJ task force which met two weeks ago and was attended by a variety of left-wing radicals including Rennie Davis, Bob Greenblatt, of the Fifth Avenue Peace Parade Committee, Al Hubbard, Brad Lyttle, PCPJ national co-ordinator; Carol Kitchen, Steve Sacks, Bob Lamb, John Walsh, and Mike Walleck--all of May Day; and Carol Cullum, newly elected president of the National Student Association, put forward a number of highly diversified recommendations. The May Day representatives recommended the theme "Answer the Call." "Answer the Call" could apply to almost anything radicals desire. Their recommendations included a call for an anti-heroin campaign, a call for no more federal grand juries, a call for economic reforms (obviously other than the President's present economic freeze), a call for an end to American imperialism (particularly in the East Pakistan Revolution), and a call for acceptance of the seven-point peace proposal of the Vietnam Communists. - FBI IN 416614 (3/3/67)

The major antiwar organizations seem as far as ever away from co-operating with one another. Except for the Vietnam Veterans Against the War and the relatively small Maoist Progressive Labor Party, no other major movement organization seems to be able to maintain its integrity as a unit and all have fallen into one camp or the other. Such organizations as the American Friends Service Committee, The War Resisters League, The Fifth Avenue Peace Parade Committee, The Southern Christian Leadership Conference, The National Welfare Rights Organization, and all others with various axes to grind have embraced either the Trotskyite NPAC or the CPUSA influenced PCPJ. Bad ideological blood remains between the two major forces.

**CALENDAR OF TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED EVENTS DURING THE
FALL ANTIWAR PROTEST PERIOD**

Asterisked items are either reported for the first time, or contain additions or changes to previously reported activities.

***2 October, Danbury, Connecticut**

Mass demonstrations have been scheduled at the Danbury Prison in solidarity with the Berrigan Brothers as well as "other political prisoners." Plans reportedly are being formulated by Catholic resistance forces for a nationwide action at prisons across the country as well as at the Saigon Embassy in Washington (to display solidarity with Vietnamese political prisoners). Other targets specifically mention for action on October 2 are the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary in Pennsylvania and at San Quentin in Marin County in California. The recent events at the Attica State Prison in New York might lend some impetus to these plans for October second, but basically it is not believed that major protest activities will result on this date. *(Quotidian 8 Sept. 71)*

***13-14 October, Nationwide**

A moratorium on business as usual is planned by both major organizations as well as the National Student Association for this date. Protesters are planning meetings, rallies, demonstrations and teach-ins "in every city, every town, and every village." Protest leaders allege that trade union locals and rank and file worker groups will plan work stoppages and rallies at factories beginning at noon on the thirteenth. The Student Mobilization Committee co-ordinator, Debbie Bustin, has stated that the character of protest actions will be left to demonstrators in the various localities. *(W. Wash. Star 26 Aug. 71 - Quotidian 8 Sept. 71)*

***25-29 October, Washington, D.C. and Nationwide**

This week is scheduled as the main event by the People's Coalition for Peace and Justice. Unlike the activities of last spring, mass disruption of the city in the early morning hours seems out. Probably in anticipation of a smaller turnout, plans presently call for specific targets on specific dates. Tactics will change between now and then as well as targets, but protesters will attempt to disrupt agencies of government on various days during this week. One information source has advised that an anti-heroin march and rally at a CIA office will take place on October 25. The address reflected by this source of information, however, is one that does not house agency facilities and in fact does not exist. October 26 calls for a march on the Justice Department to protest the

use of grand juries. The form of this protest has been suggested as a people's tribunal (apparently on the steps of the Justice Department), and teach-ins. October 27--a march and rally has been proposed at the Department of Commerce Building and at the Labor Department to protest the wage freeze as well as the Family Assistance Plan. October 28--PCPJ demonstrators are scheduled to march to the State Department to protest American imperialism and the oppression of other countries with the emphasis on the East Pakistan-Bengla-Desh Revolution (no mention of Vietnam). To climax the week's activities October 29, it has been proposed that groups will assemble at points of interest in the city (Justice Department, State Department, Selective Service, etc.) and starting at noontime, will march to the White House to engage in "massive civil disobedience." Protest spokesmen hope that this week's activities will increase interest in the protest movement and encourage demonstrators to remain in Washington for another week. Another plan being considered during this period by the Clergy and Laymen Concerned About Vietnam is to have a group of clergymen engaged in daily civil disobedience at the White House.

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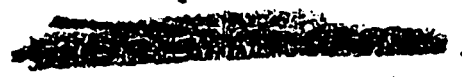
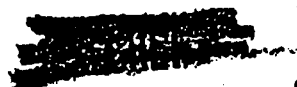
The NPAC, which rejects the tactic of civil disobedience, considers the timing of the PCPJ action as a violation of the agreement between the coalitions and one designed to detract from NPAC major efforts scheduled for November 6.

Regarded as crucial to the success of the actions of late October is the support of radical youth who were mobilized with reasonable success last May. This mobilization has not yet taken place, either through May Day or any other organization, and activities have been poorly publicized both in the legitimate press and in underground press media. It is believed that it is now too late for the necessary large-scale propagandea campaign that would enable planners to be successful in October. It is believed at this time that demonstration numbers in October will be counted in the hundreds and not in the thousands. As in the past, PCPJ activities will not appeal to the Negro community or to organized labor. At this time, no threat to the CIA facilities is anticipated.

*3 November, Nationwide

A student strike has been proposed under the sponsorship of several antiwar organizations on this date. It too has so far been poorly publicized, but publicity can be expected to increase as the college year begins. There will probably be increased absenteeism on many campuses, but no serious consequences of the proposed student strike is likely. The Student Mobilization Committee, which is controlled by the Young

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Socialist Alliance, the "youth group" of the Socialist Workers Party, has proposed that on this date college and high school students will go into nearby communities to build support for the NPAC mass march scheduled for 6 November.

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*6 November, Nationwide

The National Peace Action Coalition is scheduling mass marches patterned after last April 24 in various American cities. It does not appear that this organization will be as successful as it was in the spring. So far, mass media publicity has been virtually non-existent, and it is believed that since success is measured by numbers that the NPAC is spread too thin to produce significant demonstrations everywhere. Demonstrations which are billed as peaceful, orderly, and non-violent will take place in the following American cities: Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Seattle, Tampa, and Washington, D. C. The main demand will be for immediate and unconditional withdrawal of all American forces from Indochina. The cities where success seems most likely are Boston, New York, San Francisco, and Washington.

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CALENDAR OF TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED EVENTS OTHER THAN FALL ANTIWAR ACTIVITIES

*17-19 September, Voluntown, Connecticut

A meeting will be held on the above dates to plan protest activities against draft boards and induction centers throughout New England. No additional details are known at this time.

Sept 17-19 412-210-2133

*21 September, New York and San Francisco

Anti-Communist Chinese will demonstrate in San Francisco's Chinatown and in the area of the United Nations Building at New York on September twenty-first. The purpose of the demonstration is to protest the possible admission of Communist China to the United Nations as well as changing United States policy toward the People's Republic of China.

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*25 September, Fort Belvoir, Virginia

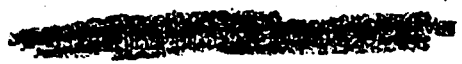
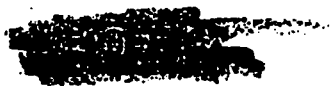
Jane Fonda, Donald Sutherland, and their traveling antiwar performers are scheduled to perform in the Fort Belvoir area on the twenty-fifth.

Sept 25 413-574-3114

27 September, San Raphael, California

The trial date of Angela Davis has been set, and an appeal by

Sept 27 415-215-2133



defense attorneys for postponement has been denied. The trial will probably start on that date. *12 Sept 71 N.Y.T.*

*2 October, Philadelphia

The National Welfare Rights Organization will hold a rally at Philadelphia on the above date. The rally is scheduled to be in support of a coalition of other organizations known as "The Campaign for Adequate Welfare Reform Now." *FBI IN 415 348 Oct 2 Sept 71*

*2 October, Washington, D.C.

The Maryland center for United Labor Action will sponsor a demonstration at the White House and at Lafayette Square on the above date. The purpose of the demonstration is to protest the wage freeze. The activity's co-ordinator is Astrid H. Nader, who is also reported to have been active in The Womens Liberation Movement as well as Womens Strike for Peace. *FBI IN 420 602 Oct 10 Sept 71*

*7-10 October, New York

Roy Innis, director of the Congress of Racial Equality, has recently announced plans that will lead CORE in the direction of Pan-Africanism. The organization is scheduled to hold its convention on the above dates in Harlem, and a number of plans promoting Pan-Africanism will be considered by conventioners. Such topics as alternatives to integration, influencing the U.S. Government to increase financial aid to black Africa, the sending of skilled black professionals and technicians to black African nations, and the use of black American ex-GI's in African nations will be considered. *N.Y.T. 22 Aug 71*

*12 October, Oakland, California

Black Panther leader Huey Newton is scheduled to be re-tried on the above date for manslaughter in the death of a police officer in an Oakland shootout in 1968.

*23 October, Washington, D.C.

Right-wing fundamentalist preacher Carl McIntire will demonstrate in Washington on the above date against the admission of Communist China to the United Nations. *N.Y.T. 22 July 71*

*29 November, Baltimore

The above date has been set for the re-trial of attorney Arthur Turco, Jr., alleged accessory in the murder of a Baltimore Black Panther. *N.Y.T. 12 Sept 71*

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