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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Records Administration Staff

SUBJECT : Conference Planning

1. We have touched on what we are going to talk about at the Conference. We have not however got down to the specifics as to the who's, what's, when's and the real meat for the theme of the program.

2. I suggest and urge as the Coordinator that the Staff meet, say not later than Wednesday 8th, preferably mid morning, to firm up the unknowns. We must reduce the generalization to specifics. I would hope that before the week is out that we will have a program established to the extent that our objective is clear and understood.

3. Your directing the members of the Staff to give full time and attention to the Conference and its objectives is of utmost importance.

[Redacted Signature]

Conference Coordinator

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TO:		STAT	
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REMARKS:			
<p>Re the attached - Monday is the earliest I can go to the country as there is a Grid Session in progress and will be through Friday.</p>			
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REMARKS:			
<p>To answer your question on the attached buck slip - No! I have been in touch with something like four O/S people on this matter and the best I'm able to get is either the shuffle or "why not plan to go ahead as scheduled."</p> <p>I would suggest that we pursue this through channels and request that the SSS Area Security Officer follow-up for us and obtain a decision as to whether we should continue or consider otherwise.</p>			
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TO	NAME AND ADDRESS	DATE	INITIALS
1	C/RAB 3 NOV 1969	3 Nov 69	
2	<i>Jack - Info for Conf -</i>		
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5	<i>Has o/s cancelled as yet?</i>		
6	<i>See: 27 Oct Memo attached</i>		
	ACTION	DIRECT REPLY	PREPARE REPLY
	APPROVAL	DISPATCH	RECOMMENDATION
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Remarks: The attached memorandums (9 and 27 October 69) were made available at a meeting of Agency Security Officers on 31 October 1969. They are being forwarded to you for your information. Although not classified they should be handled as official, Internal Use Only documents.			
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9 October 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: All Area Commanders

SUBJECT : Fall Activities

The following is a compilation of material available from the public news media and dissident literature furnished by Fort Holabird on 2 October 1969:

The National Fall Offensive Calendar was designed by the National Peace Conference (NPC), held on 4 - 5 July 1969, in Cleveland, Ohio. NPC was unique in the history of leftist radical activity in that the notoriously divided radical left met under one roof in a well coordinated, pre-planned effort to emerge from the conference with a schedule for united, national level action by all organizations desiring the end of the war in Vietnam. As a result of the NPC, the conferees united as a super-coalition under the name of the "New Mobilization Committee" (New MC) and the schedule of events propounded was called the "Fall Offensive Calendar" of "National Action." The New MC describes itself as, "A new anti-war coalition to affect the inclusion of a wider social base among GI's, high school students, labor, clergy, and the Third World communities." It describes its mission as, "To mobilize the political will of the American people to demand the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of all U. S. Military forces and weaponry from Vietnam and to further insist that there be no future wars of intervention at home or abroad against oppressed and exploited people who are asserting their rights of self-determination in the quest for human liberation."

Of the 800 to 1,000 people present at the convention, members and followers of the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) numbered approximately 250. The conference was strictly controlled by delegates belonging to the YSA, National Mobilization Committee, and the Socialist Workers Party who intend to capitalize on popular dissent to further their mutual aims.

The following is a partial list of organizations supporting the National Fall Offensive Calendar:

Cleveland Area Peace Action Council
Chicago Peace Council
Fifth Avenue Vietnam Peace Parade Committee
Minnesota Mobilization Committee
San Francisco GI-Civilian Alliance for Peace
Seattle GI-Civilian Alliance for Peace
Southern California Peace Action Council
Texas Coalition Against the War
Washington Mobilization Committee
American Labor Alliance
Black Panther Party
Catholic Peace Fellowship
Communist Party
Clergy and Laymen Concerned
CORE
Dubois Clubs
Episcopal Peace Fellowship
Fellowship of Reconciliation
Independent Socialist Clubs of America
Jewish Peace Fellowship
Labor Leadership Assembly for Peace
Lawyers Committee on American Policy Towards Vietnam
National Action Group
National Council of Churches
National Council of Rabbis
National Lawyers Guild
National Mobilization Committee
National Student Association
National Welfare Rights Organization
Progressive Labor Party
The Resistance
SANE
Socialist Party
Socialist Workers Party
Southern Conference Educational Fund
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
SNCC
SDS
Student Mobilization Committee
Teachers Committee for Peace in Vietnam
Vets for Peace
War Resisters League
Women's International League for Peace and Freedom
Women Strike for Peace
Workers World
Young Socialist Alliance
Youth Against War and Fascism

Although the "SDS" is listed as a member of the New MC, three SDS factions have scheduled separate actions in Chicago from 4 to 11 October apart from those demonstrations sponsored by the other New MC groups.

The New MC gives tacit support to its maverick member by publicizing the SDS actions but will reportedly not bodily support SDS because of one SDS faction's (The Weatherman) commitment to physical injury and property damage.

The entire calendar of fall events is programmed to build in intensity to a zenith on 13 - 15 November when mass marches will be held in Washington, D. C. and San Francisco, California.

Proposals at the NPC were passed to induce GI participation. To that end, plans were made to keep nonviolent the main marches that would include GI's, since GI's are prohibited from participating in a demonstration resulting in violence. The proposals adopted state: "That building actions throughout the country take place regularly, preceding the Washington action, focusing on military bases and nearby transportation centers. By directive of the Department of the Army, civilians may demonstrate and distribute literature on open Army bases." "That GI's themselves be informed of and encouraged to participate and take a leading role in planning and carrying out the national build-up with simultaneous activities of their own choosing. This is not possible without the cooperation of the network of GI base papers and national GI-oriented papers and the support groups of civilians near the bases that have papers."

4 October, Chicago, Ill: The Progressive Labor Faction of SDS will hold a demonstration at 1200 hours at Buckingham Fountain, Grant Park. Demonstrators will then march from Grant Park to the Federal Building, site of the "Conspiracy 8" trial. A permit was granted for 3,000 participants.

8 October, Chicago, Ill: The Weatherman faction of SDS (W-SDS) will hold a night-time rally in honor of Che Guevara in Lincoln Park and "Street Actions" in Old Town.

8 October, Chicago, Ill: The Revolutionary Youth Movement II, faction of the SDS (RYM-SDS) plan to pass out leaflets and protest at factories, schools, street rallies in working class neighborhoods, tax offices, draft boards, and welfare offices. RYM-SDS reportedly has the support of the Young Lords, the Young Patriots, and the Black Panthers.

8 - 11 October, Chicago, Ill: An SDS faction (NFI) applied for permits for a 3-day Lincoln Park Sleep-in.

9 October, Chicago, Ill: W-SDS will conduct an "offensive against schools" in which demonstrators will mass outside and possibly invade several high schools to induce students to "Jailbreak" and join W-SDS in the streets.

9 October, Chicago, Ill: RYM-SDS will organize a boycott of high schools and junior colleges and march on the Board of Education, 228 N. LaSalle St. RYM-SDS will then hold a rally outside of International Harvester Tractor Works, 2600 W. 31st St., to protest the plant's closing and company and union policies.

10 October, Chicago, Ill: W-SDS will hold a "Stop the Trial" demonstration near the Federal Building, 219 S. Dearborne, and will hold an all women's "Action" or "Invasion."

10 October, Chicago, Ill: RYM-SDS will hold a rally outside County Hospital to "focus on the oppression of women under Imperialism" and will then march to the Black Panther Free Medical Clinic.

11 October, Chicago, Ill: W-SDS will hold an "anti-Imperialism" parade somewhere in the Loop. A permit was requested for a march from Hay-Market Square to General Logan's Statue in Grant Park.

11 October, Chicago, Ill: RYM-SDS will march through North Side neighborhoods to demand U. S. immediate withdrawal from Vietnam.

15 October, Nationwide: A one day moratorium to halt "business as usual" sponsored by the Vietnam Moratorium Committee (VMC) will be held in universities, colleges, and high schools to "take the issue of peace in Vietnam to the larger community." Data indicates massive support for this program.

25 October, Chicago, Ill: The New-MC will march from Grant Park to the Civic Center Plaza to support the "Conspiracy 8" and call for an end to the war in Vietnam. Guerrilla theater performances and a rock concert are also scheduled.

8 - 15 November, Nationwide: A week of local activity in 60 target cities to mobilize local organizations for the 15 November Mass Marches in Washington, D. C. and San Francisco, California.

13 - 14 November, Nationwide: The second in the monthly progression of moratoriums to "halt business as usual" in colleges, high schools, universities, and the "larger community," two days this month.

14 November, Nationwide: The Student Mobilization Committee (SMC) is calling for the "most massive student walk-out in history." SMC also plans to demonstrate at every public appearance of the President of the United States until the war in Vietnam is ended.

13 - 15 November, Washington, D. C.: A 36 hour Memorial Death March sponsored by the New MC will begin at 2400 hours, 13 November. The single file march will begin at Arlington National Cemetery, pass the White House and end at the Capitol with each participant carrying a candle, wearing a name plate of a U. S. Vietnam war casualty and incanting the names of bombed-out Vietnamese towns. At 0900 hours, 15 November, the Washington D. C. Mass March to bring the troops home now will begin at the Mall between 3rd and 6th Streets. At 1100 hours a special contingent of GI's will lead the mass march down Pennsylvania Avenue to the White House. At 1400 hours a rally at the Ellipse will begin. At 2000 hours a meeting will be held by the New-MC to outline further and future actions.

15 November, San Francisco, Ca.: This is the other city chosen for 15 November Mass March. No Further Information.

15 November, Washington, D. C.: The National Convention of GI Rights (NCGIR) will be held by Veterans for Peace (VFP) and the GI Defense Organization (GIDO). Le Roy Wolins plans for all active duty GI's in attendance for the 14 - 15 National Action to participate in the convention.

The overall impact of the "Fall Offensive" is expected to be wide-spread. The degree, type and size of the planned demonstration in Chicago, 8 - 11 October, make the occurrence of violence probably. Confrontations with the police have been encouraged, and violent actions have been advocated by certain participating groups. According to information now available the demonstrators are being cautioned not to bring firearms, but are warned to be familiar with self-defense measures, bring protective headgear, and expect clashes with the police. Attempts to apprehend demonstrators by the police are expected to be met with violent action for the purpose of freeing the individuals arrested. It is estimated that at least 5,000 to 10,000 demonstrators will be in Chicago by 11 October. Although

the type of actions planned by a few of the groups make this number potentially dangerous and destructive, the majority of organizations planning demonstrations in Chicago protesting the "Conspiracy 8" trial and in support of the Fall Offensive indicate their desires for their actions to be peaceful and their intent to avoid violence. In this manner, they hope to obtain greater public sympathy and, in particular, to encourage the participation of GI's in the demonstrations.

The Vietnam Moratorium, 15 October, is expected to receive nationwide support primarily through 200 - 500 universities and numerous high schools. This could have a tremendous impact on educational activities. Support for the Moratorium has been voiced by many persons of influence, thus indicating a wide base of sympathy with this type of protest. Peaceful demonstrations are planned throughout the nation. As of this time, violent confrontations have not been advocated. While VMC has called for the active support of Labor unions, industries, and the business community, to this date the responses have been negligible, although token work stoppages can be expected.

Between 40,000 and 80,000 demonstrators are expected to participate in the Memorial Death March and subsequent demonstrations in Washington, D. C., 13 - 15 November. The NMC, sponsor of these demonstrations, is calling for legal and peaceful actions in order to attract a "wide variety of constituencies and political styles." It is now expected that violence will be avoided and internal control of demonstrators will be exercised by NMC personnel. However, violent actions by, and reactions to, the demonstrators remain a distinct possibility. Such incidents should be relatively isolated. There is no information as to the plans of a mass march on the West Coast in San Francisco.

Prominent personalities of the Fall Offensive are the following: the six co-chairmen of the New-MC are Sidney Lens - Chicago Peace Council, Douglas Dowd - National Mobilization Committee (NMC), Sidney Peck - Cleveland Peace Action Council, Stewart Meacham - American Friends Service Committee, David Dellinger - NMC, and Cora Weiss - NFI. Co-chairmen of San Francisco march are Don Kalish and Terry Hallinan. SDS factions leaders are Mark Rudd - Weatherman, and Mike Klonsky - RYM. Youth Against War and Fascism leader is James Coatsworth.



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