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TEXT: 1. [redacted] DURING THE FIRST PRIVATE SESSION
OF THE THIRD CONGRESS OF THE WORKER'S PARTY OF JAMAICA (WPJ),
WPJ GENERAL SECRETARY TREVOR ((MUNROE)) ANNOUNCED THE PLANNED
FORMATION OF A SECRET DEFENSE COMMITTEE WITHIN THE PARTY, WHOSE
PURPOSE WOULD BE TO PROTECT THE PARTY FROM HOSTILE ACTIONS ON THE PART
OF THE GOVERNMENT AND SECURITY FORCES. THE MEMBERS OF THE DEFENSE
COMMITTEE WERE TO BE SELECTED BY A FIVE MEMBER SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE
CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE WPJ. [redacted] COMMENT: AFTER THE CENTRAL
COMMITTEE OF THE WPJ IS ELECTED, THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS APPOINT FROM
AMONGST THEMSELVES SEVERAL SUB-COMMITTEES WHOSE EXISTENCE AND
MEMBERSHIP IS KEPT SECRET FOR STATED "SECURITY REASONS".)
THE DEFENSE COMMITTEE'S FUNCTIONS WILL BE TO COLLECT INTELLIGENCE ON
PLANS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND SECURITY FORCES OF JAMAICA TO
INTIMIDATE AND DISCREDIT THE WPJ, AND UPON UNCOVERING THESE PLANS,
TO DIRECT A DEFENSE FOR THE PARTY WHICH IS TO INCLUDE MASS PROTEST
ACTIONS.

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2. MUNROE ADDED THAT OTHER EFFORTS WERE BEING MADE TO PRESERVE THE
PARTY AND ENSURE ITS CONTINUED GROWTH, INCLUDING AN EFFORT TO FURTHER
SPREAD COMMUNISM IN JAMAICA BY WAY OF IDENTIFYING AND LINKING UP WITH
LIKE-MINDED INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS WHO ARE NOT POLITICALLY COMMITTED.
[redacted] COMMENT: MUNROE DID NOT ELABORATE ON THESE ADDITIONAL EFFORTS,
NOR DID HE SPECIFY WHICH GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS MIGHT BE PERSUADED TO
JOIN THE WPJ.) MUNROE COMMENDED THE CONTINUED INFILTRATION OF WPJ
MEMBERS INTO "VITAL WORK PLACES" IN THE LAST YEAR, NOTING THAT AT
THE TIME OF THE THIRD CONGRESS 45 PERCENT OF THE WPJ MEMBERS HAD
POLITICALLY STRATEGIC POSITIONS IN MASS EMPLOYMENT ORGANIZATIONS, AN
INCREASE OVER 37 PERCENT AT THE SECOND CONGRESS IN 1983. MUNROE
EXPRESSED DISSAPOINTMENT THAT WPJ MEMBERS WITH INFLUENTIAL POSITIONS
WERE NOT DOING AS MUCH AS THEY COULD TO GET JOBS FOR OTHER WPJ
MEMBERS. MUNROE PRAISED THE INCREASE IN WOMEN MEMBERS WITHIN THE
PARTY, NOTING THAT AT THE TIME OF THE THIRD CONGRESS 29 PERCENT OF
THE WPJ MEMBERSHIP WERE WOMEN VICE 27 PECENT AT THE SECOND CONGRESS.
MUNROE ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THERE HAD BEEN A 34 PERCENT GROWTH IN RURAL
PARTY MEMBERS AND A 37 PERCENT GROWTH IN SMALL FARMERS WHO HAD
JOINED THE PARTY.

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