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SITUATION INFORMATION REPORTCALENDAR OF TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

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

\*8-10 May, New Orleans, Louisiana

A Mother's Day weekend regional conference is being sponsored by the Southern Female Rights Union. Tentative plans are to get a summer camp with cabins and a communal hall so that the women from all over the South can live and learn together for three days.

\*Los Angeles, California

American Indian groups in the Los Angeles, California, area plan to mail petitions to the Bureau of Indian Affairs demanding increased control of Indian affairs by Indians. Unless the demands are granted within 30 days, the Bureau of Indian Affairs facilities will be "physically accosted." Neither an actual nor a tentative date for the action has been indicated. (FBI 069121 Adv 4 22 70)

\*9 May, Washington, D.C.

Although the local college scene is cooling somewhat and Maryland and American Universities are theoretically back in session, plans continue for a massive demonstration on the Washington Monument grounds. The New Mobe, contrary to past patterns and theory that the staging of a successful protest takes considerable advance planning time (months), has been rushing preparations to take maximum advantage of the present campus climate. Antiwar sentiment and anger over the Kent State tragedy is running high. There are signs that the administration senses it has gone too far in alienating the college generation. President Nixon's reference to college "bums" has been taken out of context by radicals and even some moderate college elements to apply to the entire college population, a reference that the

President did not make or intend. The Vice President, probably a principal target in last Thursday's meeting between Mr. Nixon and 8 college presidents, has also been often criticized in recent weeks for his biting (tho perhaps accurate) public utterances. In a TV tape recording made Thursday for exposure next week on the David Frost talk show, the Vice President reportedly tones down his candid remarks of the past and directs his comments instead toward the over-reaction of the Ohio National Guard for the Kent State affair and labels their action possibly murder--a statement he is likely also to be criticized for, but this time from those on the middle and right of the political spectrum.

The President is spending May 8 at Camp David preparing for a 10 p.m. press conference from the White House when he will undoubtedly be asked questions which will allow him to clarify his Cambodia involvement and fully express his feelings on the current serious rash of campus unrest.

New Mobe leaders and spokesmen meanwhile are urging individuals from throughout the nation to participate in Saturday's demonstration. As of this writing, the New Mobe still desires a demonstration in front of the White House but city and Federal officials will probably not back off this time. A speaker's platform with audio equipment, as well as toilet and drinking water facilities, have been installed at the Monument. Cornell Professor Douglas Dowd, one of many New Mobe co-chairmen, urged in a speech last week that the antiwar element in America "must make it difficult for Nixon to govern this nation." Marshals are being trained in Washington on a crash basis (at a number of local churches mainly). All (including Dellinger and Spock) are counseling non-violence believing that violence would be counter-productive both in terms of uniting and decimating the crowd and in opening the New Mobe to criticism by the administration backers.

As for Saturday, many of the radical "big guns" will be on hand in Washington. Signs indicate that most Negroes will stay out as has been their habit for the past two years where white radicals and peace activists are doing their thing.

Crowd control and other security measures will be in effect. Planning and preparation is now based on considerable earlier experience and appropriate security forces most assuredly will be alerted and available. Estimates of the size of the crowd have varied from 10 to 100 thousand, with the best guesses being something in the middle.

Hopefully, the college and high school students, who will probably make up the bulk of the crowds, will have expended most of their energies and venom in earlier protests, and may be constrained from senseless violent protests and acts. However, with a hard core of agitating, provoking young radicals in some of the groups, the possibility of some "trashing" or even stronger action must not be discounted.

Although it seems unlikely that CIA facilities will be directly threatened, it is possible that some protest may be directed at the overt Agency complex. Location of CIA Headquarters at some distance from the hub of protest action site definitely reduces the likelihood of its being targeted for protest action.

9 May, Stone Mountain, Georgia

The Atlanta Mobe has cancelled its previously planned demonstration during the President's visit as it felt the demonstrators might be "creamed" due to the large crowds expected at Stone Mountain. In view of the recent campus turmoil and the planned demonstrations and rallies in Washington on the 9th, it seems probable that the President will not be present at the Stone Mountain dedication ceremonies.

\*9-10 May, Yale, New Haven, Connecticut

The Black Students Alliance at Yale has proposed a national conference of black organizations to be held at Yale this weekend. No additional information regarding this conference has been noted since the 25 April announcement.

\*10 May, Nationwide

A number of well-known mothers, including Shirley Maclaine, Shelley Winters and Betsy Palmer, the actresses, and such well-known liberal / radical activists as Cora Weiss (Women Strike for Peace), Mrs. Jules Feiffer, and Eleanor Norton (N. Y.'s Commissioner of Human Rights) have called on women to celebrate Mother's Day by protesting the expansion of the war into Cambodia. Calling themselves the Emergency Committee to Boycott Mother's Day, they urge women to spend Sunday visiting their congressmen's homes to lobby against the war. Miss Palmer asked mothers to write "Stop the War" on the cards they receive and to forward them to the President.

16 May, Armed Forces Day, Nationwide

Dissident GI's and GI organizations and their supporters are planning to demonstrate their dissatisfaction with the war, the military and the government. Reportedly, GI's at over 26 bases across the country will be taking actions--each different and relating specifically to the situation at each base. The New Mobc, noting the recent proliferation of student disobedient activity, has jumped back into action to take advantage of the unrest, and has geared up to enlist support for these demonstrations.

In Washington, D. C. and Baltimore, the GI's have decided to focus their attention on Ft. Meade.

\*16 May, Ft. Dix, Wrightstown, New Jersey

Among the antiwar actions on and near GI bases around the world May 16, Armed Forces Day, will be a "Return to Ft. Dix," scene of a number of strong protest actions in the past. Organizations and individuals are being asked to join in a noon rally and march on the perimeter of the Ft. Dix base. Speakers tentatively scheduled are members of the BPP, Young Lords, Conspiracy, Ft. Dix 38, Ft. Dix Coffeehouse Collective, etc.

A group of Princeton University students believed to be affiliated with SDS has also announced plans for a march and rally at Ft. Dix. A leaflet announcing the rally states that the GI movement is suffering from crippling repression at Ft. Dix.

16 May, Fayetteville, North Carolina

GI's United Against the War in Vietnam is sponsoring an anti-armed forces day rally at Fayetteville, N. C. Jane Fonda, an actress who has been active in demonstrations, and Abbie Hoffman and Rennie Davis have been invited to speak. Hoffman and Davis were recently convicted for violation of the antiriot law. During a rally at Chapel Hill, N. C., on 12 April, Davis called for a "mass show of opposition to the Vietnam War" at the May 16 rally.

16 May, Ft. Bragg, North Carolina

During a highly-publicized peace protest sparked by rock and country music at the University of North Carolina on April 11 and 12,

Rennie Davis, the main speaker, called for a massive demonstration May 16 at Ft. Bragg. What had been intended as the biggest protest scene in the South missed its mark. Crowds of only two to three thousand turned out and they seemed more interested in music than politics.

\*22 May, Annual Meeting of GM Corp.

A fairly strong drive by a so-called reform group calling itself the Campaign to Make GM Responsible, or more popularly just Campaign GM, is increasing its pressure and propaganda proposing changes in the policies of the world's largest manufacturing firm. The young lawyers running the reform campaign--which seeks to change the company's policies in such areas as pollution, race relations and safety--charged that GM has mounted a high-powered, million dollar "pressure" campaign in opposition to their efforts. GM denies this and contends that they are doing little more than they normally do in preparing their stockholders for the annual stockholders' meeting.

Although they have little chance of getting control of any substantial portion of the stock of this vast corporation, the Campaign GM is making highly publicized attempts to secure the commitment of the many universities which hold GM stock in their investment portfolios.

22 May, Houston, Texas

SDS leaders in Houston, Texas, are formulating plans to demonstrate against Vice President Agnew when he visits Houston on May 22. They plan to involve as many blacks, Mexican-Americans, and white radicals as possible in the demonstration which will be held at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel where the Vice President reportedly will be staying.

\* 30 May, Memorial Day, Nationwide

The SMC, also quick to tune in on the accelerated protest possibilities arising from U.S. action in Cambodia and the unfortunate Kent State University confrontation deaths, has been active in promoting this week's student strikes and is planning for additional demonstrations on Memorial Day.

\*30 May, Chicago, Illinois

The Chicago Peace Council (an amalgam of antiwar groups with strong Communist representation) responded to President Nixon's war speech last week by calling for a mass demonstration May 30 for the immediate withdrawal of all troops and materials from Southeast Asia.

29-31 May, Toronto, Canada

Reportedly, a World Jurist Conference on Vietnam is to be held Memorial Day weekend, May 29-31, tentatively set for Glendon College, York University, Toronto, Canada. A memorandum announcing same appeared under a letterhead of the Lawyers Committee on American Policy towards Vietnam. Members of the "Consultative Council" listed on the letterhead are individuals, such as Richard J. Barnett (Institute for Policy Studies), Hans J. Morgenthau (University of Chicago), and Quincy Wright (University of Chicago). Lawyers delegations from North Vietnam and the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam will reportedly be present.

\*29 May-1 June, Montreal, Quebec

A four-day pan-Canada conference of groups supporting American deserters and draft-resisters will be held. Its purpose is to establish political coordination between Americans in exile, Canadian support groups and the U.S. antiwar movement. Because of the similarity in timing and purpose with the World Jurist Conference on Vietnam previously announced for Toronto, Canada, there is a possibility that the Montreal conference is the same conference but at a newly selected site.

\*6 June, Washington, D.C.

During the May 1-3 rallies at New Haven, on one occasion BPP Chief of Staff David Hilliard called for a massive rally to be held at the Lincoln Memorial. No later information has been noted.

8 June, Chicago, Illinois

On 17 April Judge Julius J. Hoffman postponed until at least 8 June BPP leader Bobby Seale's Chicago trial on charges of

- conspiring to incite riots during the 1968 Democratic National Convention. Scale, one of the original "Chicago 8," is currently on trial in New Haven on a murder charge.

\*4 July, Washington, D. C. Nationwide

Both the New Mobe and the Student Mobe have taken new heart from the current heightened campus unrest and are considering revamping their earlier conviction that mass protests had at least temporarily lost their appeal. Both are looking towards July 4 as a possible mass protest day. They have not yet had time to define their plans and goals.

\*4-5 July, Chicago, Illinois

The first National GI Antiwar Conference is planned as an outgrowth of a caucus at the SMC meeting in Cleveland in February.

\*August, Nationwide

Upon arriving in Saint John, New Brunswick, on the first leg of their return to the U. S. from Cuba, the second contingent of the so-called "Venceremos Brigade" said they would sail to Cuba again in August to help with the fruit picking.

\*9-19 August, St. Paul, Minnesota

The National Student Association will hold its 23rd annual congress at Macalester College.

\*26 August, Nationwide

During the NOW (National Organization for Women) conference in March, Betty Friedan called for a general strike by women on August 26, the 50th anniversary of the 19th Amendment, which gave women the vote. To protest sex discrimination, she proposed a march by women carrying lighted candles "into the halls of politics" and a massive sit-in for women's rights. Plans are continuing. Aileen Hernandez, new national president succeeding Friedan, said at a press conference in early May, that the demonstration will not be merely "symbolic." She said mothers will leave their children in government

and business offices to dramatize the need for a national child care system. Women will refrain from shopping, secretaries from typing, and wives will debate their husbands in their homes, etc.

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