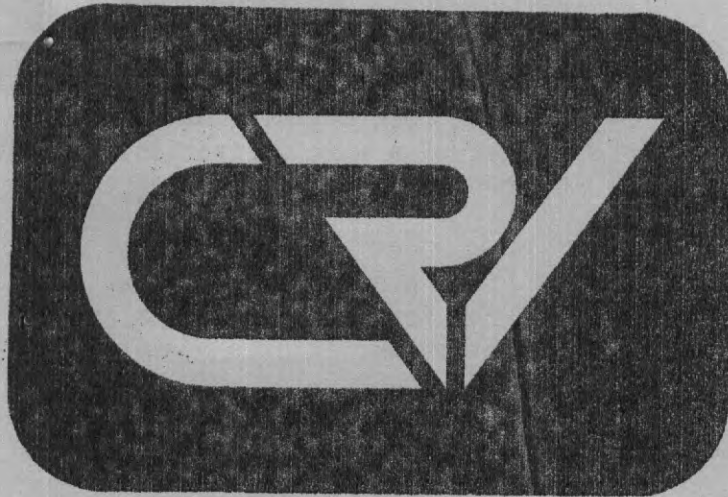




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### *Report from CRV's General Assembly II*

By Andy Berman

In retrospect it seems like a seven-day high, but it couldn't have been on grass, wine or music (all pretty lacking) so it must have been a high on political struggle -- and on each other.

There were over 100 of us, radical former Peace Corps and other overseas volunteers with varying degrees of past activity in CRV, doing our collective thing just north of Chicago from June 27 to July 3. Collective it was in a very real sense: child care, cooking and clean up were done by the entire group, proving that we can indeed fight our decadent individualism. Comments and evaluations at the Assembly generally were negative, but preliminary post-assembly comments are very favorable, and point to a deepening political commitment on the part of the participants.

The Second General Assembly (GA/II) of CRV drew members from as far away as Puerto Rico and Hawaii for one of the most intense but non-destructive gatherings of the New Left since the demise of SDS.

Reports from the Chapters indicated that while several have had serious difficulties holding themselves together, the organiza-

tion has been engaged in a great number of publication and action projects, highlighted by the liberation of the Peace Corps building during the New Mobe's Washington demonstration May 9. At that time a huge flag of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam (PRG) was strung across the building, directly in view of the White House. CRV members visited North Vietnam and Cuba, participated in Gulf, Honeywell and Cutler-Hammer research and disruption projects, researched and published serious studies of U.S. imperialism in Angola, Japan, Peru and Mozambique, and held conferences on the Pacific Rim and Cuba. CRV "Babylon Committees" raised thousands of dollars for Panther Bail and served as information agencies on Third World struggles within the United States.

The Illinois Assembly put forth a series of programs to expand on these efforts and initiated several new ones. A Puerto Rico Liberation project was set up, with the particular goal of fighting the Peace Corps' contribution to the colonialization of that besieged island. A Palestine Liberation project was also initiated and an Indochina Intelligence Collective will research the strategic situations in America's Southeast Asian wars and attempt to forewarn of likely ventures from the Lon-Nol, Thieu,

and Nixon cliques. Publications decisions included the restructuring of the Newsletter and the creation of a new quarterly journal of a more theoretical nature. Other resolutions and decisions are outlined within this issue of the Newsletter.

The Assembly was tense, with sleepless nights, hard play, and heavy moments of self confrontation. But it was clear that the former participants in the Liberal Establishment's greatest hope for pacification abroad have boomeranged into a threatening anti-pacification force at home.

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#### TRYING TO DEAL WITH ELITISM

by Dick Leonard, CRV/NY

While the issues of the structure of the Executive Committee and agreement on programs for the coming year were resolved after a grueling week at the Assembly, the frustrations of trying to get ourselves together loomed more important than the issues themselves. The agenda showed a priority of concerns, with "personal liberation", "women's liberation", "images of the future", and "communes and collectives" as the topics for the first day and a half of discussion. Stanley Aronowitz said in the latest Liberated Guardian that "the revolution in human relations cannot wait for the political revolution. On the contrary. Our humanity is a condition of our capacity to make political changes", and it was that sort of conviction that was being expressed at Childerly. Efforts to deal with male dominance and elitism that ran throughout the Assembly could not be settled in clear ways because male dominance is rooted in this society, because CRV by the nature of its membership is elitist, and because the Assembly itself tends to be an elitist gathering.

The changes in the structure of the Executive Committee, with the National Office functioning collectively, the presence of Chapter Representatives on the Committee, and the provision for at least four Executive Committee meetings per year show the effort to avoid elitism in the National Office through mechanisms of collective work and accountability. Unfortunately, discussions about the positive ways that CRV National (the Board, the Executive Committee, and the National office) must function to serve as a unifying force, rather than as a separate entity among the separate chapters and corresponding members, did not develop. This was the issue raised by the report sent in by the Minnesota Chapter, which has had an active year, but did not have people at the Assembly because of a sense of alienation from the National.

Another question about elitism which was raised but not discussed was the need to open CRV to people who have been working with oppressed people in the US, since CRV's base has been white middle class, college-educated, the group involved in doing America's good works in the third world. This issue should be dealt with in each chapter and was to be on the agenda for the next National Board meeting.

Finally, there is a need to consider continuity because it is connected with elitism and with our difficulty in getting things done at the Assembly. Only the Treasurer's report summarized trends since 1966. There should be reports by all the National officers about the year's activities. There is also a need to have an up-to-date summary of CRV's development since 1966, since for many newer people CRV is represented only by the position papers that came out of the Assembly last September and this is not sufficient basis for understanding the diversity and change that has characterized CRV.



I don't think we'll know what happened at CRV Assembly II for a while yet. Just as I realize now that the enthusiasm and commitment that are the participant's collective memory of Assembly I were really more a reflection of where we had been than where we were going, so too I think that it makes more sense to look at our week in Wheeling as an indication of what year 1969-70 has been for our organization than to try and analyze it in terms of the future of CRV.

I believe that the participant's collective memory of Assembly II is now confused and about as diverse as the number of people who were there. Last year we came with answers (We affirmed who we were...revolutionaries...and we took stands...to abolish the Peace Corps.); this year we came with questions. There was a striking consensus about what our questions were, but the answers were not ideas which we could adopt in the form of position papers and policy statements. They were tentative solutions, formulated with hope and some hesitation, which would prove to be workable or not, only through practice.

As examples of the kinds of questions that people were concerned about, let me describe my own experience. I had spent, especially the last six months in a very exciting atmosphere of Bay Area CRV, experiencing what might be described as a "Comingtogether"

of our group, a new enthusiasm and a new commitment to each other as political people building the revolution. The new life came to our chapter in large part, I believe, because of a recently formed women's caucus and the closeness and sense of purpose that developed between the women at our weekly meetings. Coming to the Assembly I had many questions in my own mind about the women's liberation movement. My own involvement in it had been the most natural, easy, meaningful "organizing" that I had ever done. What did that fact have to do with CRV? Why spend my time working with women through CRV? What kind of an impact did we as women want to have on the Assembly? What does it mean to build a women's movement within a movement for socialist revolution? Not all of these questions were answered to my satisfaction, although the women's discussions were probably the most lively and together of any that went on. We did, however, develop some ideas for working specifically as CRV women. We also learned what not to expect from small group discussions with men about the oppression of women. And it is significant that the most meaningful moments of the assembly for many of us (men and women) occurred following the women's walk-out. These are only steps. The realization of how far we have to go was very heavy on us. But I believe that my own role in building the women's movement was strengthened by what occurred during the Assembly.

The second major area of concern for me has been communal living and collective working and how these relate to the organization and work of CRV. The desire for a broader, more widely shared leadership for national CRV was evident among virtually all the Assembly participants. How to attain this goal was the subject of sometimes heated, but more often deadly, long discussion. I found myself among many who have become aware during the past year of the need to be together more---living and/or working in a political group. Questions about the kind of work we might do (full time) as CRV people were at least partially answered for me. I now have a few ideas for projects (support for Los Siete, anti-corporate organizing at the working place, a returned volunteers half-way house, working with welfare families) which could link the activities of CRV to to community organizing, and in this way enhance the impact of both. Again, these ideas are not formal programs. Their implementation depends on what we find around us when we begin to work again upon returning home.

As Andy so insightfully remarked during our final 3:00 A.M. evaluation session, who we are and what we are thinking is also a reflection of the movement as a whole. The movement is facing increasingly important decisions, it is understandable that we should have many provoking and perplexing questions. Next year perhaps we'll have some answers again...at least to the question, "What really happened at Assembly II?"

CRV will have a new structure for the coming year. The most obvious change is a geographic one. The national office will be moved to Chicago. There, it is hoped, we will be able to find a house that will serve both as office and living quarters for full time and some part time staff people, plus provide some space to accomodate people who can spend some time helping at the office, who are passing through Chicago for some other reason. The Chicago chapter is in process of house-hunting and as soon as we have concrete information, it will be passed on. Meanwhile, you can begin to think of giving a chunk of time to the national office - between jobs (or non-jobs), some of your vacation, some free time to see new faces and think new thoughts...

The other change involves the various jobs and the people who fill them. For the past several years, CRV has had a paid(?) office secretary. Those who worked in this position and others who have had an opportunity to spend some time at the national office, realized that we were managing to play quite schizophrenic roles: on the one hand, we spoke of eliminating alienating labor (otherwise known as shit-work) and on the other hand, we continued to have a person doing just this type of work, and participating in neither the more creative-type work, nor in the decision making. (Note here that what makes shit work shit work is not the nature of the work in itself --i.e. typing, filing, etc.--but in the fact that it is disconnected from the rest of the task.) To eliminate this contradiction in our lives, it was decided that instead of one chairman and one office secretary, there would be two national staff persons, or co-chairpeople, who would share the necessary work to keep the national office going, i.e., office work, travelling, the newsletter, etc.

Along with this change in chairmanship, there were some other changes made in the make-up of the executive committee. The exec. committee is now made up of the two co-chair people, the treasurer, one corresponding member, and three chapter representatives. Also on the exec. committee, but in a non-voting capacity, are the regional travellers for the West coast and the East coast. (There is no regional traveller for the Midwest, since this will be covered by the national office.) These regional travellers will function as organizers, contact people, coordinators. The exec. committee will meet at least twice a year in addition to the General Assembly and National Board meetings. Some of the slots are still vacant and can be filled only at the first National Board meeting which will probably be held in September. Those people elected at the General Assembly are:

|                               |                                           |                |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Co-chairpeople:               | Andy Berman, PC Togo, Venceremos II       | CRV.NYC        |
|                               | Trudy Pax, ICA, Brazil                    | CRV, Milwaukee |
| Treasurer:                    | Lori Dostal, P.C. Turkey                  | CRV, Chicago   |
| Corresponding member:         | Cynthia LeFlore, P.C., Ethiopia           |                |
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DOCUMENTS FROM CHILDRELY: THE PROPOSALS THAT WERE APPROVED  
AT SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF CRV, JULY 1970

PUERTO RICO PROPOSAL

Goal---To organize a national united front to support Puerto Rican Liberation. The united front will be made up of whites (radicals and liberals). Possible sources are Venceremos Brigadistas, Churches, Universities, Vista, and others interested in the Puerto Rican Liberation movement.

Structure---Establish national CRV committee to support Puerto Rican Liberation struggle. National coordination is to be done through Boston, with representatives from New York, Chicago, and one other person.

## Functions---

- 1) Communication- newsletter, phone
- 2) Fund-raising
- 3) Education: workshops, conferences, literature, translate Claridad
- 4) Support for political prisoners
- 5) Research: MPI, Claridad, La Brecha
- 6) Actions around Peace Corps camps, tourism, exchange programs, G.I.s, corporations, mines, university programs.
- 7) Statement of national committee
- 8) Strategy- choose issue and begin organizing and educating

## Proposed Actions for the immediate future--

- 1) Internal: Action centered around the presence of Peace Corps training on the island and its complicity with the repressive U.S. regime in Puerto Rico.
- 2) External: (not exclusive to CRV) Actions directed at the larger tourist population, e.g. leafletting prospective travelers, posters placed at airports, etc.

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ADDITIONAL PROPOSALS ON PUERTO RICO

- 1) July 25 Action- coordinated organizing between Boston and new York and other chapters to draw up a leaflet or mass paper to be distributed on July 25, the anniversary of the U.S. invasion of Puerto Rico. To be distributed in Boston and in cities with interested chapters. Request one person from each chapter to organize distribution in suitable locations. This person to serve as permanent contact on Puerto Rico.
- 2) Puerto Rican P.C. training camp project- The committee proposes that 2 people (Alice Brody and Ed Arnolds) go to Puerto Rico the week of July 12 to 18 to study the feasibility of organizing a project to seek the abolition of the Peace Corps training site in Puerto Rico. The emphasis of the project would be on the PC as a manifestation of US colonial rule in PR, not try to recruit CRV members from the training site (although that might happen). One demand would be that the site be given to the Puerto Ricans.
- 3) Other Activities
  - a. fund raising for political prisoners in Puerto Rico
  - b. education of ourselves
  - c. possible relation to PR Liberation demonstration at the UN, Sept. 23rd
  - d. conference on education and strategy to be held in the fall

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## PROPOSAL OF THE INDOCHINA WORKSHOP FOR AN INTELLIGENCE COLLECTIVE

We propose that the National Assembly support the initiation by CRV of an intelligence-gathering collective, final approval for the project to be given by the National Board. The initial steps in this project include 1) finding two volunteers to begin the interpreting work; 2) formation of an advisory group of CRV members who will assist in recruiting, determining policy, providing logistic support and soliciting funds; 3) getting permission from CRV for a subsidy of \$200 and for soliciting additional funds from CRV members in cooperation with the Board. The goal of the intelligence project is to pull together a coherent picture of the war in Indochina with an eye to being able to forecast developments for "preventive" anti-war action.

Recommendations:

- 1) that the collective be located in some under-organized city;
- 2) that the bulletin be written in a popular style;
- 3) that information be interpreted with a mind on strategy and organization and not as an academic journal-type research;
- 4) that the collective be expanded as soon as possible to include people from other organizations;
- 5) that the Assembly approve the creation of an Advisory Group to be composed of 5 or so CRV members. The Advisory Group will: assist in determining policy, assist in recruitment, assist in setting contacts, provide some logistic suggestions, and help solicit funds for the project.  
     /\_Joe Stork, Jim Herod, and Mike Green volunteered and were accepted by the Assembly to be this Advisory Group./ try to involve
- 6) That two full-time volunteers begin interpreting work soon and/others from other organizations and groups.
- 7) That permission for CRV to subsidize the collective with \$200 and to solicit additional funds in cooperation with the treasurer be granted.

## PROPOSAL OF INDOCHINA COMMITTEE FOR A "MASS PAPER"

That more things like "Vietnam is a Stake not a Mistake" be given wide, massive distribution around some specific event, action, activity which would be written in such a way as to have a mass audience and to be useable over a long period of time and would be generally one issue, topic in content.

Specific proposal (1)

That a mass paper be done around the idea of the possible use of nuclear weapons in Indo-China, the no-defeat policy of the Nixon Administration and the growing victories of the PRG, NLF, Pathet Lao, and NUF of Cambodia, trying the notion of a preventive action. This paper would be prepared to be distributed by Aug 6.9 at the demonstrations likely to be called for the 25th anniversary of H/N Day.

A committee of writers be selected on a volunteer basis to write a mass paper, hopefully these will not all come from one chapter, though they will have to all be in the same place for a couple of weeks during August.

A distribution committee be selected with representatives from as many chapters, areas as possible which will see to the use of the paper in their area around Aug 6..9 and beyond.

Specific Proposal (2)

That the National Board have the responsibility to encourage and decide on future mass papers.

That an on-going Indo-China Projects Committee be established growing out of the distribution committee for the Nuclear Weapons I-C paper.

That one Board Member have special responsibility for the I-CPC

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By Paddy Colligan,

from notes compiled by Bobby Moseley

Many of the women at GA II met together to discuss ways we as women in America could relate to and show solidarity with our Third World sisters. We proposed both actions and publishing projects. We also decided to have women in CRV Washington serve as coordinator & communicators of information from CRV and non-CRV sources so that information could be channeled to CRV women who could make use of it in their projects.

Publishing projects were seen as a means of providing information and preparing tools for organizing to be used by women's groups as well as by CRV. We felt that one important thing to keep in mind while we were doing any writing was that above all we wanted to produce information which would de-objectify Third World people, that is to be sure that anything we wrote should contribute to an awareness of the humaness of people who live in the Third World. Specific proposals for writing projects were made, the most ambitious of which was a series of booklets or perhaps an occasional journal treating different aspects of imperialism and the oppression of women. Women from different chapters expressed enthusiasm over having their chapter responsible for producing issues on specific topics. Three CRV women have already begun looking into the feasibility of publishing writings by Third World women on their struggle. A suggestion was made that research be done using one country, perhaps Korea, as a case study of ways in which imperialism oppresses women. The suggestion was made that we make contacts with women abroad to exchange information with them.

Some possible actions were also discussed. The anti-corporate focus could be applied to women's issues by doing actions around companies which exploit women at home and abroad. A suggestion was made that women could plan to use a cosmetic manufacturer's products against that company. The country case study might also suggest actions against specific companies. Relating to National Welfare Rights women was suggested for areas where such contacts were possible.

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Dear Sisters and Brothers of CRV:

After reading the draft bylaw changes circulated since the Assembly, I think that it is essential that before the bylaws are ratified by chapters that the complete set of minutes also be circulated, since these draft bylaws were written without consulting a full set of minutes. It is also essential that the bylaws be written in normal form before being ratified.

On Thursday night a proposal for seven person serving as the executive committee was approved. A proposal with a six person executive committee with a variation of six co-chairpersons was turned down. On Friday morning a proposal from the agenda committee to further define the jobs of the members was modified after discussion to read: "The voting members of the executive committee are to be considered chairpersons with equal responsibility for decision making. All major decisions within the jurisdiction of the executive committee must be made by the entire executive committee and not merely by two chairpersons in the national office." [The minutes report that the Assembly took up a proposal from the agenda committee who had no special responsibility for the matter. The modified wording accepted by the Assembly comes from the notes of a member of the agenda committee.] This proposal does not say that we voted for "co-chairpersons" as opposed to "chairpersons" as do the draft bylaws.

The dispute about the co-chairperson wording exists because we, the Assembly, neglected to 1] approve the minutes, and 2] adopt the re-structuring proposal in a final written form. This is a major error on the part of the Assembly. The effect of this error has been to confuse the intention of the Assembly, which was that there would not be full collective leadership.

Paula Moseley PC/Liberia CRV/NY

## ASSEMBLY DOCUMENTS (continued)

PROPOSAL FOR COFFEE HOUSE/HALFWAY HOUSE

The establishment of halfway houses has been proposed as one technique to increase the involvement of more people in CRV or other related activities. The purpose would be to provide a focal point or central place for various returned volunteers to make contact with other people who have similar experiences and interest. Although the greatest emphasis would be to attract volunteers in the critical and frustrating period of readjustment, it would also serve previous returnees who now want to make contact and become involved. The halfway house concept could be implemented in various forms depending on the needs and capabilities of the local chapters. A minimal form would be simply a contact person with information available. A part time meeting place with information could be established or if manpower is available, operated fulltime. In cities with sufficient need and support, "crash pad" or transient "hostels" could be established. Depending on resources, more elaborate or specialized houses and services could be developed.

The services of the halfway house should be directed to any potential members of CRV. This would include primarily volunteers returning from their Third World assignments. In order to provide contact with local CRV members, some services (meeting place, office facilities, lounge) should be provided to attract local members.

Services which the halfway house might provide include:

**\*\*Available materials**

- \*General information about the present U.S. scene and various movement groups, news, or activities.
- \*Information about specific movement issues including CRV reports or other mimeograph material. (i.e. educational)

**\*\*Activities**

- \*Information about the local CRV chapters and its activities.
- \*Information about CRV groups in the returned volunteers' home city.
- \*Immediate, short or long term, work or involvement possibilities in movement activities, as an alternative to readjustment, ruling class style.
- \*Social activities such as pot luck dinners, picnics, etc.

**\*\*Re-entry Services**

- \*Contact local returned volunteers with whom the returnee can relate and discuss involvement or adjustment possibilities.
- \*Referral to cheap hotels or places to crash.
- \*Travel information, rider pools, city maps, etc.
- \*Space for general notices, rides, jobs, apartments, furniture.

Although halfway house services could be provided in any city, special national attention should be given to port of entry or crossroad cities (New York, San Francisco, Washington, D.C.)

Publicity will have to be provided on a continuing basis within the U.S., but especially to volunteers at their Third World assignment. Local publicity should be available in many places (underground papers, church bulletin, high school newspapers, etc.)

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THE NEWSLETTER AND THE MAGAZINE

The newsletter will be a mimeoed 6 sheet (12 pages) job, sent out first class mail (therefore getting to the membership much quicker than under the present system) to dues paid members, at least once a month. It would include chapter reports and news, organizational business, budget and finances, reports from the national office and national board, letters from members, announcements, cartoons, etc. In addition, it will contain short news flashes from the Third World, gleaned from LNS, Korean Press Service, Prensa Latina, etc. The newsletter will remain the responsibility of the national office.

The magazine will be similar in content to the present newsletter in certain aspects. It will contain one or two long articles and other ones with photos and graphics. It will be a subscription magazine and will appear 4 or 6 times a year. The magazine will be geared to non-CRVERS as well as CRVERS; it will be a radical analysis, with a care to avoid rhetoric and attempt to reach people who are interested in Third World questions, but do not have this type of material available. It must be written carefully, avoiding movement jargonese so that it be understandable by non-movement people who are perhaps more liberal. Besides subscriptions, it would be distributed through newsstands, movement bookstores, university libraries and REP(\*)/

The National Board would be responsible for the direction of the magazine, probably done through a committee that would meet at the time of the National Board meeting and set the policy of the magazine and the content for the issues between meetings. New York tentatively volunteered to supervise the production end. The content will be supplied by different chapters, each responsible for one issue. A name for the magazine is needed. And CRVs are mandated to think one up.

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Readers of the Peking Review may have noted in the May 29 edition that the Liberation of the Peace Corps building earlier that month was reported to the 800 million Chinese people.

The action in which many CRVERS participated, was reported within the text of a longer article, rather accurately reporting the post-Cambodia invasion actions in the United States. The text of the reference is as follows:

"In Washington, the demonstrators stormed into the national headquarters of the peace corps near the White House, which serves U.S. Imperialist policy of aggression. They occupied the Asian regional office of the peace corps and took over the Cambodia desk. They hung a large national flag of the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam from a window. The heroism manifested by the American youth in the face of counter-revolutionary violence marks the new awakening of the American people and augurs that their revolutionary struggle will develop more vigorously and deeply."

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## Proposals from General Assembly II (continued)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The committee in charge of national finances should be a fund-raising committee.

The committee should be at least an eight member body with the following geographic distribution-

- four East Coast Representatives
- two Midwest Representatives
- two West Coast Representatives

It is suggested that the East Coast Representatives meet personally monthly or bi-monthly and that constant communication with the other Representatives be maintained.

The members of the fund-raising committee should be elected by the Assembly.

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Following are the members of the finance committee elected by the Assembly--

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| Paula Moseley - coordinator (N.Y.) | Roger Harper (Chicago)  |
| Dick Leonard (N.Y.)                | Skip Jason (Indiana)    |
| Dave Bragin (N.Y.)                 | Jean Townes (Boston)    |
| Gary Mass (N.Y.)                   | Jim Sundberg (Bay Area) |
| Henry Schoenfeld (Washington)      | Leon Jacobs (Bay Area)  |
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- 1) That the New York CRV Babylon Committee revise and broaden the present position paper to include repression of other revolutionary groups in the U.S.;

That the revised paper be sent by the New York Chapter to other chapters for comments and revisions;

That it then be sent to the next National Board Meeting for approval and discussion on its use as an organizing tool for CRV.

- 2) That a committee of four people (one representative from each region and the coordinator) look into and figure out how to relate to the Revolutionary Peoples Constitutional Convention to be held in September 1970.
- 3) That there be a coordinator responsible for the following:
  - coordination of a page in the National Newsletter to cover the developments of repression of domestic 3rd World revolutionary peoples.
  - the construction of a fund-raising appeal for members and prospective members which would be specifically related to the repression of such groups (or individuals) as the Black Panthers, the Young Lords, Los Siete, Ahmed Evans and others.

(Committee's recommendation for coordinator -- Lori Dostal, Chicago)

Suggested Activities for Local Chapters:

- To identify what's going on re repression of 3rd world groups in local areas
- To attend and encourage others to attend court trials for the purposes of political education regarding the American system of 'justice.'
- To raise funds for political prisoners
- To get CRV people to drum up community support for political prisoners

PROPOSAL OF SOUTHERN AFRICA/U/S/ WORKSHOP

The Southern Africa/U.S. Parallels workshop proposes:

That there be a communicator-correspondent on Southern African activities for all chapters serving also as a clearing-house on all literature relevant to Southern Africa and U.S. parallels.

The workshop proposed that Dorsett Edmunds of the NYC Chapter be the communicator-coordinator.

PROPOSAL REGARDING NATIONAL CRV PACIFIC RIM PROJECT

The Pacific Rim workshop recommended that: Sandy Nathan be the national coordinator-communicator for the Pacific Rim Committee in order that interested individuals and Chapter Pacific Rim Committees might more easily share information about the issues and about their own activities around the issues. This information would further be shared via the Newsletter on a regular monthly basis in the form of reports on activities, bibliographies, and articles. We would like the names of interested people, resource people and resource materials.

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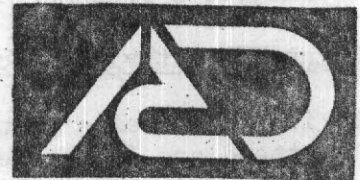
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Sisters and Brothers! The lean summer months are upon us, and the problems of bread are compounded by the added expenses of planning and executing the moving of the national office. Can you try to come across with some additional contribution at this time? Right-on!