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White Plains, N.Y....The Ford Foundation's Fund for the Republic, which last month published a proposed new Constitution for the U.S., (see N.Y. <u>Times</u>, Sept. 8, 1970, p.1) is conducting an all-day meeting to develop public support for this model Constitution, at the New York Hilton Hotel, Ave. of the Americas at 53rd St., New York City, at 9:30 A.M., Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1970.

The program for this meeting, and list of speakers, is attached to this release. Featured in the meeting will be a debate between Ramsey Clark, former Attorney General of the U.S., and Robert M. Hutchins, former Chancellor of the University of Chicago.

The invitations to this meeting, entitled "The Crisis in America...Do we need a new Constitution?", show a registration fee of \$2.50 per person attending, plus \$6.00 (optional) for the luncheon to be held at 12:15 P.M. Reservations and checks should be sent directly to "Crisis in America", The Penthouse, 136 E. 57% St., New York, N.Y. 10022.

Blue Book Publishers has published a booklet which critically analyzes certain aspects of the 32nd and 34½ versions of the model Constitution proposed by the Fund for the Republic. This booklet, "The Quiet Campaign to Rewrite the Constitution", is priced at \$2.00 (first class postage is 50¢ extra). An order form and flier describing this booklet is attached to this release. The version to be discussed at the Veterans' Day meeting on Nov. 11½ is the 37½ version, but much of the critical analysis in the booklet still applies.

Powerful interests are behind the Ford-funded proposal for a new Constitution. The model calls for fundamental reorganization of local, state, and national governmental and industrial structures. The current turmoil in the nation makes it likely that a movement to change the Constitution might receive serious consideration by the public media.

Attendance at this kickoff meeting is vital for representatives of organizations interested in civil liberties, economic freedom, and preservation of control of a responsive government by the voters. ### This is the story behind the story you will soon be seeing in the news reports. POWERFUL INTERESTS ARE ALREADY WELL ALONG IN A PLAN TO REWRITE THE CONSTITUTION OF THE U.S.A.

Corporations, labor unions, and political parties would all be welded into a new "industrial-corporate state", controlled by a non-elected life-tenure "NATION'S HOUSE" representing the ruling class. THE BILL OF RIGHTS WOULD BE FURTHER WEAKENED. State's Rights would be eliminated, states would be combined, and the Senate emasculated. A California "think tank" has drawn it up but the general public is unaware of the threat. Read about it in....

THE QUIET CAMPAIGN TO REWRITE THE CONSTITUTION

An Analysis of the Ford-funded Draft of a New Constitution Being Considered in 1969 for the United States of America

by Leon Davidson, Ph.D.

Whether your reaction is "Unbelievable!" or "So wnat's new?", with FORD FOUNDATION money behind it, this proposed new Constitution is nothing to laugh about, nor is it an academic exercise. (See New York Times editorial, June 16, 1969.)

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