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Effective immediately, the Bureau is instituting a Counterintelligence Program directed against the New Left movement and its key activists. All offices are instructed to immediately open an active control file, establish an office, and to assign responsibility for this program to an experienced and imaginative Special Agent who is well versed in investigation of the New Left and its leadership.

The purpose of this program is to expose, disrupt, and otherwise neutralize the activities of the various New Left organizations, their leadership and members. It is imperative that the activities of these groups be followed on a continuous basis so we may take advantage of all opportunities for counterintelligence and also insure action is arranged where circumstances warrant. The decision makers and flexibility of these activists must be exposed to public scrutiny through the cooperation of reliable news media sources, both locally and at the seat of Government. We must frustrate every effort of these groups and individuals to consolidate their forces or to recruit new or faithful members. In every instance, consideration should be given to disrupting the organized activity of these groups and opportunity should be seized to capitalize upon organizational and personal conflicts of their leadership.

On or before June 1, 1968, all offices are instructed to submit to the Bureau a detailed analysis of potential counterintelligence action against New Left organizations and key activists within their respective territories. Specific recommendations should be included for any logical immediate counterintelligence action. Recommendations submitted under this program must include all necessary facts to enable the Bureau to intelligently act upon the feasibility of the proposed action. In instances where a reliable and cooperative news media representative or other

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course within the Bureau is to be avoided or utilized in connection with a planned counterintelligence operation, it will be important upon the receipt of such status to furnish assurances the service will not reveal the Bureau's interest or betray our confidence.

Officers which have investigative responsibility for Key Activists should specifically comment in the initial letter to the Bureau regarding these individuals. In those offices where none, these individuals have been identified as the moving forces behind the New Left.

No counterintelligence action may be initiated by the field without Bureau approval.

Commencing July 1, 1963, and every three months thereafter, each participating office should submit to the Bureau a status letter covering the prior 3-month period, including comments under the following captions:

- 1) Potential Counterintelligence Action
- 2) Pending Counterintelligence Action
- 3) Tangible Results

If necessary, a fourth caption "Miscellaneous" may be utilized for additional comments.

Recommendations for counterintelligence action should not be included in the 30-day status letters to the Bureau, but should be submitted individually by separate letter.

All Special Agent personnel responsible for the investigation of the New Left and the Key Activists should be alerted to our counterintelligence plans relating to these groups. Counterintelligence action directed at these groups is intended to complement and stimulate our accelerated intelligence investigations. Each investigative Agent has a responsibility to call to the attention of the counterintelligence coordinator suggestions and possibilities for implementing the program. You are cautioned

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that the nature of this new endeavor is such that under no circumstances should the existence of the program be made known outside the Bureau and appropriate within-office security should be afforded this sensitive operation.

The Bureau has been very closely following the activities of the New Left and the New Rightists and is highly concerned that the anarchistic activities of a few can paralyze institutions of learning, induction centers, creative thinking, and the area of law enforcement officials all to the detriment of our society. The organizations and activists who want revolution are unashamedly challenge society to obtain their demands and not only to contained, but must be neutralized. Law and order is mandatory for any civilized society to survive. Therefore, you must approach this new endeavor with a focused look, enthusiasm, and interest in order to accomplish our responsibilities. The importance of this new endeavor cannot and will not be overlooked.

NOTE:

See cover memorandum, C.D. Brennan to Mr. W.C. Sullivan, dated 5/8/68, same caption, prepared by EPG/DAW:jms.