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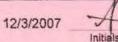
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REVOLUTIONARY ACTION MOVEMENT

Character

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Synopsis:

Local Detroit RAM group has no official headquarters. GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR,, acknowledged leader of local RAM group. Identities of other local RAM members set forth. Information re local RAM activities set forth. RAM members have access to and possess firearms and explosives.

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## DETAILS:

A characterization of the Revolutionary Action Movement (RAM) is contained in the appendix attached hereto.

#### Local RAM Headquarters Ao

DE T-1 on August 29, 1967, advised that the local RAM group has no official headquarters; however, as previously reported gatherings and/or meetings of the local RAM group have in the past been held in Apartment B-3, 1980 West Philadelphia, Detroit, Michigan, which is the residence of GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.

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#### B. Local RAM Leaders

DE T-1 on August 29, 1967, advised that GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. continues to be the acknowledged leader of the local RAM group.

DE T-2 on August 18, 1967, advised that BAKER continues to be recognized as the leader of the local RAM group, that CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III, who had previously been acknowledged as a co-leader of the local RAM group with BAKER, left the Detroit area during the fall of 1966 to attend Langston University, Langston, Oklahoma.

DE T-1 on August 29, 1967, and DE T-2 on August 18, 1967, advised that SIMMONS, prior to his departure from the Detroit area during the fall of 1966, indicated that he desired no further association with BAKER or the local RAM group.

#### C. Local RAM Members

DE T-1 on August 29, 1967, and DE T-2 on August 18, 1967, identified the following individuals as being reported members of the local RAM group:

GENERAL BORDON BAKER, JR.

CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III

JOHN H. JACKSON

MARSHALL WILLIAMS

KENNETH JOHN WAT SON

RUFUS GRIFFIN, JR.

DE T-1 and DE T-2 further advised that the have not observed GENERAL GORDON BAKER in recent contact with any of the aforementioned individuals. Additionally, they advised that MARSHALL WILLIAMS is in the United States Army, that CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III, has not returned to the Detroit area and that JOHN H. JACKSON and RUFUS GRIFFIN, JR. have not been observed in the company of BAKER or any other local RAW members for an appreciable period of time.

DE T-1 advised that KENNETH JOHN WATSON, along with other local militant Negroes, is attempting to publish a Black Power type newspaper to be known as the "Inner-City Voice" in the Detroit area. In this connection on August 27, 1967, RAP BROWN, National Leader of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee who is currently at liberty on \$15,000.00 bond resulting from an indictment returned against him of transporting a weapon interstate, spoke at a rally held at the Dexter Community Theater, 11600 Dexter Avenue, Detroit, Michigan. The purpose of this rally and the reason for BROWN's appearance was to raise funds for the news publication to be known as the "Inner-City Voice".

#### P. Local RAM and Related Activities

During the period commencing on July 23, 1967, and including approximately July 31, 1967, riots occurred in the Detroit area during which an estimated 5,000 persons were arrested, 40 fatalities were reported, and property damage in excess of 250 million dollars was estimated.

Shortly after the riots erupted, Michigan Governor GEORGE ROMNEY issued a proclamation declaring a state of emergency and in this proclamation ordered a curfew between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. This proclamation was issued during the early evening hours of July 23, 1967.

Inspector JOHN WARE, Special Investigations Bureau, Detroit, Michigan Police Department, advised on July 25, 1967, at approximately 12:50 a.m. on July 24, 1967, GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., and GLANTON VERNIER DOWDELL were arrested in the vicinity of Albert's Market located at 12002 North Martindale. Detroit, Michigan, According to Inspector WARE, both DOWDELL and BAKER were sitting in a vehicle in the immediate area of this market and Detroit Police Department officers observed an unidentified Negro woman leaving Albert's Market, which was in the process of being looted, carrying an armful of loot. This woman approached the wehicle, a 1960 Mercedes, the property of GLANTON DOWDELL, in which DOWDELL and BAKER were sitting; however, upon observing the police officers she immediately dropped the loot and ran. At this time the officers arrested DOWDELL and BAKER for curfew violation.

They were subsequently arraigned in the Recorder's Court, at Detroit, Michigan, ordered held in \$15,000.00 bond each, and were transported to Ionia Reformatory, Ionia, Michigan.

Inspector WARE advised that on July 27, 1967, a warrant was issued against GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., and GLANTON VERNIER DOWDELL, for probation violation, it being noted that both were arrested on August 10, 1966, on a charge of carrying concealed weapons. At the time of their arrest on August 10, 1966, a racial disturbance was then in progress on the east side of Detroit.

On March 6, 1967, Judge ROBEPT J. COLOMBO, Recorder's Court, Detroit, Michigan, found both BAKER and DOWDELL guilty of carrying concealed weapons and they were sentenced on March 27, 1967, by Judge COLOMBO, to five years probation along with a fine of \$500.00.

On August 3, 1967, Inspector WARE advised that Judge ELVIN DAVENPORT, Recorder's Court, Detroit, dismissed the charge of curfew violation against BAKER and DOWDELL due to lack of sufficient notice, of said curfew. The Judge commented that the curfew had only been in effect approximately six hours prior to the arrest of BAKER and DOWDELL.

On August 3, 1967, Judge COLOMBO dismissed the felony warrant against BAKER and DOWDELL since the charge of curfew violation was dismissed against these individuals.

DE T-2 on March 27, 1967, advised that he was in contact with GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. during the late evening of March 24, 1967. According to DE T-2, BAKER informed him that MAX STANFORD was expected to arrive in the Detroit area later this evening (March 24, 1967). BAKER stated that he was going to have a small social affair for STANFORD this evening in his, BAKER's, apartment at 1980 West Philadelphia, Detroit, and indicated that STANFORD was visiting him inasmuch as he, BAKER, had to appear in the Recorder's Court at Detroit, Michigan, on March 27, 1967, for sentencing, after having been found guilty of possession of concealed weapons. BAKER further indicated that as a result of this conviction he expected to be sentenced to prison.

On Warch 27, 1967, Special Agents of the Detroit Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed MAXWELL CURTIS STANFORD in the courtroom of Recorder's Court Judge ROBERT J. COLOMBO, Detroit, in which court room GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. was also observed by Special Agents.

A characterization of MAXWELL CURTIS STANFORD is contained in the characterization of RAM in the appendix attached hereto.

DE T-2 on April 5, 1967, advised that he was in contact with GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. during the late evening of April 1, 1967, at which time BAKER indicated that MAXWELL STANFORD had left the Detroit area to return to his residence. DE T-2 advised that although BAKER did not indicate the exact date of STANFORD's departure, he, DE T-2, received the impression that STANFORD had left the Detroit area either on Thursday, March 30, 1967, or Friday, March 31, 1967.

On April 5, 1967, Detective Sergeant STANLEY RCJOWSKI, Special Investigations Bureau, Detroit Police Department, advised that his department was aware of the fact that STANFORD had been in the Detroit area. He advised that Detroit Police Department officers had observed STANFORD in the Recorder's Courtroom at Detroit, Michigan, on March 27, 1967, in which courtroom GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. was being sentenced on that date. He stated that his department was not in receipt of any information relative to the purpose of STANFORD's visit to the Detroit area other than the fact that it appeared STANFORD was interested in the sentencing of BAKER, on March 27, 1967,

DE T-3 on August 3, 1967, advised that recently a search of MAXWELL STANFORD's residence at 807 Perkionen Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was conducted by officers of the Philadelphia Police Department, during which some material indicative of the organizational structure of RAM was located.

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According to DE T-3 among some of the material saved was a two-page typewritten communication containing penciled notations captioned, "Statement of Organization".

The initial paragraph in this communication was as follows:

"RAM (Revolutionary Action Movement)".

This communication in part, according to DE T-3, indicated the following:

Financial Committee
Ideological Chairman
Michigan Editor of "Black
America"
Legal Advisor

MILTON HENRY JAMES BOGGS

GRACE LEE BOGGS MILTON HENRY

DE T-4 on April 4, 1963, advised that as of March 10, 1962, GRACE LILLIAN BOGGS was a member of the Correspondence Group of the Johnson-Forest Group (JFG).

DE T-4 on May 8, 1962, advised that as of that time JAMES BOGGS was the National Chairman of the Correspondence Group of the JFG.

A characterization of the Correspondence Group of the JFG is contained in the characterization of the Facing Reality Publishing Company or Committees, which is contained in the appendix attached hereto.

During May, 1964, Detective WALLACE SMYTHE, Subversive Squad, Michigan State Police, advised that on May 22, 1964, MILTON ROBINSON HENRY spoke at a Friday Night Socialist Forum (FNSF), sponsored by the Detroit Branch of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP), which was held at Detroit, Wichigan.

HENRY spoke on the topic.
"Proportioned Underground Warfare",
and during his speech HENRY advocated the
formation of a Negro underground
apparatus capable of performing acts
of sabotage, destruction of Government
property, and actual killing in
order to secure full Negro rights.

Characterizations of the FNSF and Detroit Branch of the SWP are contained in the appendix attached hereto.

### APPENDIX

### DETROIT BRANCH, SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (SWP)

A source advised on May 12, 1966, that the Detroit Branch of the SWP is affiliated with the National SWP and follows its policies and directives. It was organized in 1940, and is currently active in Detroit, Michigan, with headquarters at Debs Hall, 3737 Woodward, Detroit, Michigan

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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## FACING REALITY PUBLISHING COMPANY OR COMMITTEES

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past on August 1, 1958, stated that as a result of the split in the Johnson-Forest Group (JFC), which occurred in 1955, two factions emerged, the Johnson Faction and the Forest Faction. According to the scurce, the Johnson Faction was composed of the followers of C. L. R. JAMES, also known as James Johnson, and the Forest Faction was composed of the followers of RAE DWYER, also known as Freddie Forest. The co-founders of the JFG were C. L. R. JAMES, known as Johnson, who was deported from the United States as an undesirable alien in 1953, and RAE DWYER, known as Forest.

The JFG has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

A second source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on November 26, 1962, that subsequent to the split in the JFG, the Johnson Faction took the name Correspondence Group, which continued until February, 1962, when this group again split with the majority aligning themselves with JAMES behind the leadership of MARTIN GLABERMAN of Detroit, Michigan, and the minority group aligning themselves behind the leadership of JAMES BOGGS,

On February 18, 1965, this source advised that on February 8, 1965, he had learned that the Correspondence Group, whose national Chairman was JANES BOGGS, had ceased operations completely and no longer maintained headquarters at 7737 Mack, Detroit.

This source reported on July 18, 1962, that the majority of individuals under leadership of MARTIN GLABERMAN at Detroit, Michigan, who formerly belonged to the Correspondence Group there had taken the name Facing Reality Publishing Company or Committee, while the three former members

of the Group at New York had met informally in support of the Detroit Group, which had issued neither directions nor instructions. The New York Group has no officers or headquarters.

On March 7, 1963, the same source advised that the Facing Reality Publishing Company or Committee seeks to create a Marxist society based on the dialectical concepts of Marxism-Leninism as interpreted by C. L. R. JAMES, establishing government by workers rather than government by a Marxist political party. The prime movement in securing the support of the people is considered to be a publication to be used by the workers in their daily fight against capitalism. This group rejects the vanguard party concept of Marxism and has established the theory that trade unions keep the workers under subjugation by preventing their channeling of their own efforts to take over the means of production and through this to in turn take over governmental processes. This group rejects all present forms of governments. except those new nationalist governments, as capitalist, or in the case of Russia, State Capitalist.

On January 18, 1966, a third source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the Facing Realit Publishing Company had moved from 3513 Woodward, Detroit, Michigan, to Room 229, 14131 Woodward Avenue, Highland Park, Michigan, as of December, 1965.

This third source advised on May 24, 1966, that the Facing Reality Publishing Company continues to meet at 14131 Woodward, Highland Park.

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#### APPENDIX

#### FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIALIST FORUM

On Way 12, 1986, a source advised that the Friday Night Socialist Forum (FNSF) is a name used by the Detroit, Michigan, Branch of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) in sponsoring forums, Socials and other functions which are open to the public. Primarily, FNSF pertains to weekly public forums held at SWP headquarters, 3737 Woodward, Detroit, for the purpose of spreading propaganda of the SWP, developing contacts, facilitating recruitment and members into the SWP, and presenting subjects of a controversial nature in the social, political and economic fields. Usually speakers are members of the SWP and they give the socialist viewpoint of the subject discussed. The money collected at these FNSFs goes into the SWP treasury in Detroit.

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

#### APPENDIX

## REVOLUTIONARY ACTION MOVEMENT (RAM)

On November 3, 1964, a source made available a document entitled; "The Revolutionary Action Movement Manifesto", the document having been obtained by the source from an individual known to be a member of RAM.

This document stated, in part, that RAW was officially organized in the winter of 1963 by Afro-Americans who support the revolutionary objectives of ROBERT F. WILLIAMS, now residing in Cuba, and his concept of organized violence to achieve the liberation of the Afro-American people in the United States. This Manifesto reflected that RAM had oriented its program to one of education and political revolution and the organization of a "black" political party with revolutionary objectives, having recognized the need for a "black revolution" that could and would seize power. RAM philosophy is described in this document as one of revolutionary nationalism, that is, one involving the struggles of the non-white races of the world against exploitation and enslavement by the white capitalist and imperialist nations.

Regarding WILLIAMS, above, it should be noted that on August 28, 1961, a federal warrant was issued at Charlotte, North Carolina, charging with Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution for the Crime of Kidnapping. Subsequent to the issuance of this warrant, WILLIAMS fled the United States to Cuba, where he now publishes a monthly newsletter entitled. "The Crusader", from Havana.

This source, in September, 1964, advised that RAM is dedicated to the overthrow of the capitalist system in the United States, by violence if necessary, and to its replacement by a socialistic system oriented toward the Chinese communist interpretation of Marxism-Leninism. RAM is entirely non-white in membership, clandestine in nature, and owes its primary allegiance to the "Bandung World", that is, the non-white races of the world, rather than to any national entity, as such.

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## REVOLUTIONARY ACTION MOVEMENT (CONT'D)

On November 16, 1964, a second source advised he learned recently from a RAM member that the organization began in Detroit, Michigan, largely under the impetus of DON FREEMAN, described as the "Father" of RAM and referred to as RAM's "Black Stalin". FREEMAN served as RAM Chairman, with MAXWELL STANFORD, now residing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, serving as RAM Field Chairman.

On January 23, 1967, a third source advised that the RAM still remains active; however, there is no formal head-quarters, as such, for the RAM.

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Reference

Report, at Detroit, dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Synopsis

Local Detroit RAM group has no official headquarters.

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forth. Information regarding arrest of BAKER and others
during August, 1966, set forth. Fox and Wolf Hunt
Club now defunct. RAM members have access to and possess
firearms and explosives.

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#### DETAILS:

A characterization of the Revolutionary Action Movement (RAM) is contained in the appendix attached hereto.

## A. Local RAN Headquarters

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### B. Local BAM Leaders

DE T-1 on January 23, 1967, advised that CENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. is the acknowledged leader of the local RAN group. DE T-1 advised that CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III had previously been recognized as a co-leader with BAKER of the local RAM group, however, from information available SIMMONS has severed his relationship with BAKER and other members of the local RAM group.

DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised on February 1, 1967, that GENERAL GCEDON EAKER, JR. continues to be the acknowledged leader of the local RAN group.

DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised they recently learned from an associate of CEMERAL CORDON BAKER, JR. that BAKER has indicated that he wants nothing further to do with his former RAM associated DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that BAKER has a girlfriend who is residing with him in the basement apartment at 1980 W. Philadelphi Detroit, and that BAKER appears to be quite serious with his girlfriend.

According to DE T-2 and DE T-3 CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III has severed his relationship with GENERAL BAKER and the local RAM group. DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that SIMMONS left the Detroit area during September, 1966, and is currently enrolled as a student at Langston University, Langston, Oklahoms.

### C. Local Ram Members

On January 23, 1967, DE T-1 identified the following individuals as being members of the local RAM group:

GENERAL COPDON BAKER, JR.
CHARLES FOWLED SIMMONS, III
JOHN H. JACKSON
MARSHALL WILLIAMS
KENNETH JOHN WATSON
RUFUS CRIFFIN, JR.

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DE T-1 further advised that he has not observed GENERAL BAKER in recent contact with any of the other individuals identified above as being members of the local ... RAM group.

On February 1, 1967, DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that MARSHALL WILLIAMS and JCHN H. JACKSON have not associated with CENERAL BAKER or any other of the local RAN members for a substantial period of time.

According to DE T-2 and DE T-3, JACKSON is married, has a young child, and his wife does not approve of his former RAM associates, therefore, JACKSON is no longer in contact with BAKER or any other members of the local RAM group.

### D. Activities

## Local RAM and Related Activities

On August 11, 1966, Detective Sergeant STANLEY KOWALSKI, Criminal Intelligence Bureau, Detroit Police Department (DPD), Detroit, Michigan, advised that GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., PUFUS GRIFFIN, JR., NOBLE LESLIE SMITH, an associate of PAKER, and GLANTON DOWDELL were arrested by the DPD during the early morning hours of August 10, 1966, in their automobiles with weapons in their possession. According to KOWALSKI, these individuals were arrested in the general area of a racial disturbance on the lower East side of Detroit, which was then in progress. KOWALSKI stated that prior to the arrest of the above individuals, the DPD received information indicating that these individuals had weapons in their possession and were proceeding in their automobiles to the disturbance area on the lower East side.

Detective Sergeant KOWALSKI advised that BAKER, SMITH, DOWDELL and CRIFFIN were all charged with carrying concealed weapons and that bond had been set for BAKER, GRIFFIN and SMITH at \$2000 with two sureties for each, and bond for DCWDELL in the amount of \$5000 with two sureties.

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On February 2, 1967, Detective Lieutenant GEORGE EOLLINS, Special Investigations Bureau, DPD, advised that BAKER and the other individuals mentioned above were afforded a preliminary examination on the Carrying Concealed Weapons charges in the Recorder's Court at Detroit, Michigan during August 22-23, 1966, at which time their bond was continued and they were bound over for trial. Lieutenant ROLLINS advised that no trial date has been set and that BAKER and the others are still free on bond.

On August 18, 1966, DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that the Fox and Wolf Hunt Club (FWHC), which club was a rifle club formed by CENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. and many of whose members were members of the local RAM group, has not met since the early part of 1966, and GENERAL BAKER has indicated that the bank account of the club will be divided up among club members in the near future. BAKER further indicated that everyone seems to have lost interest in the club and the group is not really serving any useful purpose.

On August 31, 1966, DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that several days ago the money contained in the account of the FWHC, which was somewhat over \$100.00, was withdrawn from the account and split up among the club members based upon the amount of dues paid by the various club members. DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that JCHN JACKSON, GENERAL GORDON FAKER, JR. and MARSHALL WILLIAMS were among some of those who received a proportinate share of the amount in the account, based upon the dues paid in by them. DE T-2 and DE T-3 further advised that the FWHC is now defunct and that there is no indication that it will be reactivated at any future time.

On September 8 and 15, 1966, DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III plans on going to school at an educational institution, possibly in Washington, D.C. or Oklahoma. Informants advised further that neither MARSHALL WILLIAMS nor SIMMONS have associated with GENERAL EAKER for a substantial period of time.

DE T-2 and DE T-3 stated that both WILLIAMS and SIMMONS appeared to be disillusioned with PAN, GENERAL BAKER and other associates of FAKER connected with the local PAN group.

DE T-2 and DE T-3 stated that both WILLIAMS and SIMMONS have indicated they desire no further association with BAKER or the local RAM group.

According to DE T-2 and DE T-3, MARSHALL WILLIAMS recently remarked that he thought that GENERAL BAKER was "nuts" for having been arrested during the early part of August, 1965, in connection with a disturbance which occurred on the lower East side of Detroit.

DE T-2 and DE T-3 related that recently GENERAL BAKER and NOBLE SMITH telephonically contacted an unidentified female friend of MAESHALL WILLIAMS and invited this female to their apartment at 1980 W. Philadelphia, indicating to this female that MARSHALL WILLIAMS was present at this apartment. This female reportedly went to the apartment of BAKER and SMITH, at which time BAKER and SMITH attempted to take indecent liberties with her. MARSHALL WILLIAMS was very incensed over this matter and indicated that he wanted nothing further to do with BAKER or SMITH.

On December 16, 1966, DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that they learned from MAX and GRETTA HENDERSON, who were recently in contact with CENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., that the local RAM group for all intents and purpose is inactive at the present time. DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that the HENDERSONS are associates of GENERAL BAKER and were formerly active with EASEE in the now defunct FWHC.

On January 16, 1967, DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that GENERAL BAKER and a Negro female, who is a former hustler in the 12th Street area, are the only occupants of the basement apartment at 1980 W. Philadelphia, Detroit. Informants advised that NOBLE SMITH no longer resides in the apartment at 1980 W. Philadelphia, Detroit, with BAKER.

DE T-2 and DE T-3 further advised that NOBLE SHITH recently mentioned that CENERAL BAKER has changed and according to SMITH, BAKER wants nothing to do with his former FAM associates.

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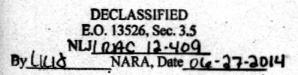
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Synopsis:

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#### DETAILS:

A characterization of the Revolutionary Action Movement (RAM) is contained in the appendix attached hereto.

### A. Local RAM Headquarters

DE T-1, on July 29, 1966, advised that the local RAM group has no official headquarters. However, as previously reported, gatherings and/or meetings of the local Detroit RAM group have been held in Apartment B3, 1980 West Philadelphia. Detroit. Michigan.

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DE T-1 further advised that GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., leader of the local RAM group, continues to reside in Basement Apartment B3 located at 1980 West Philadelphia, Detroit, with another local RAM member by the name of KENNETH JOHN WATSON.

### B. Local RAM Leaders

On July 29, 1966, DE T-1 advised that GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., is the acknowledged leader of the local RAM group. DE T-1 advised that CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III, had previously been recognized as a local RAM leader, however, in the recent past, SIMMONS appears to have severed his association with GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., and other members of the local RAM group.

DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised on July 26, 1966, that GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., continues to be recognized as the leader of the local RAM group in Detroit. DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III, allegedly has severed his relationship with GENERAL BAKER and BAKER's associates inasmuch as SIMMONS' father disapproves of his son's association with GENERAL BAKER.

According to DE T-2 and DE T-3, SIMMONS has not been observed in the company of BAKER or BAKER's assocoates for a substantial period of time. DE T-2 and DE T-3 further advised that they continue to be in frequent contact with GENERAL BAKER and that BAKER rarely mentions SIMMONS during conversations.

#### C. Local RAM Members

On July 29, 1966, DE T-1 identified the following individuals as being members of the local RAM group:

GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.
CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III
JOHN HENRY JACKSON
MARSHALL WILLIAMS
KENNETH JOHN WATSON
RUFUS GRIFFIN, JR.

DE T-1 further advised that concerning the above individuals, JOHN HENRY JACKSON and CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III, have not been associating with other local RAM members mentioned above for an appreciable period of time. According to DE T-1, JOHN HENRY JACKSON married within the recent past and as a result of this, he appears to have lost his enthusiasm for the local RAM group. DE T-1 advised that CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III, continues to be enrolled as a student at Wayne State University, Detroit, and continues employment in a local hospital as a technician. DE T-1 advised that as a result of SIMMONS' studies and full-time employment, he appears to have little leisure time and has not been observed with GENERAL BAKER or other local RAM members during the past three or four months.

On July 26, 1966, DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that MARSHALL WILLIAMS appears to be losing his enthusiasm for the local RAM group inasmuch as the Fox and Wolf Hunt Club (FWHC), which GENERAL BAKER was instrumental in the formation of, has become inactive. DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that WILLIAMS enjoys social activities and never really appeared to be seriously interested in the affairs of the local RAM group or the FWHC, however, he did attend meetings of the FWHC inasmuch as he enjoyed the social activities connected with the meetings.

#### D. Activities

## Local RAM and Related Activities

On February 24, 1966, Detective Lieutenant GEORGE ROLLINS, Special Investigations Eureau, Detroit, Michigan, Police Department, advised that GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.; KENNETH JOHN WATSON; LUKE SAMUEL TRIPP, JR.; JOHN ALBERT WILLIAMS; and GWENDOLYN KEMP were acquitted by a jury in the Recorder's Court at Detroit, on February 23, 1966, of charges of creating a disturbance at a public meeting.

According to Lieutenant ROLLINS, the aforementioned individuals were accused of booing and jeering during ceremonies climaxing Detroit's bid for the 1968 Olympics at which numerous public officials and other dignitaries were in attendance and which were held in front of the City-County Building at Detroit, on October 11, 1963.

Lieutenant ROLLINS advised that EAKER and WATSON are members of the local RAM group and that TRIPP, who traveled to Cuba during the Summer of 1964, in violation of State Department passport regulations, and the other two individuals, were formerly connected with a local organization in the Detroit area known as Uhuru.

Lieutenant ROLLINS advised that according to LUKE TRIPP, JR., former Chairman of Uhuru, Uhuru was formed in March, 1963, by militant black students at Wayne State University, Detroit. The stated purposes of Uhuru were:

"To seek the closest possible alliance of militant black groups and from the broadest possible united black front to wage a tit-for-tat struggle against the anti-Negro machine that is America; to fight for 'Uhuru Quita' (which means freedom now in Swahili) and to affirm the principle of self-defense in the Negro freedom struggle."

On March 3, 1966, DE T-2 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on February 27, 1966, at the apartment residence of club members MAX and GRETTA HENDERSON located at 2611 Gladstone, Detroit, Michigan.

DE T-2 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.
JOHN JACKSON
MARSHALL WILLIAMS
MAX HENDERSON
GRETTA HENDERSON

DE T-2 advised that the meeting was called to order by Club President JOHN JACKSON, at which time GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., read a letter which was received from the National Rifle Association (NRA) and which letter rejected the application of the club for membership in the NRA. The letter indicated that the club's application was rejected on the basis that there are already too many NRA approved clubs in the Detroit area and at the present time, the NRA was not accepting any additional applications for membership in the NRA from the

Detroit area. The letter further indicated that inasmuch as there were a number of recognized NRA clubs in the Detroit area, individual members of the FWHC could apply for membership in any of those clubs already approved by the NRA.

DE T-2 advised that GENERAL BAKER submitted the club's application for membership in the NRA without advising any of the club members. DE T-2 advised that BAKER indicated that he submitted the application without advising other club members inasmuch as the club was not meeting regularly at the time and that he did not feel it was necessary to advise anyone.

Vice President MAX HENDERSON gave a report on the financial status of the club and GENERAL BAKER indicated that all members should attempt to recruit additional club members. BAKER, MARSHALL WILLIAMS and MAX HENDERSON indicated that they would contact some individuals whom they felt might possibly be interested in becoming members of the club.

It was again stated at this meeting that in order for an individual to become a member of this club, he must possess his own rifle and be a member of the Negro race.

DE T-2 advised that no further activity took place at this meeting and that the next meeting of this club is scheduled to be held on March 13, 1966, at 2611 Gladstone, Detroit.

On March 15, 1966, DE T-2 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on March 13, 1966, at 2611 Gladstone, Detroit, Michigan, the residence of club members MAX and GRETTA HENDERSON.

DE T-2 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.
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According to DE T-2, the meeting was called to order by Club President JOHN JACKSON and the first order of business was a financial report of the club which was given by GENERAL BAKER.

DE T-2 advised that a general discussion took place regarding the recruiting program of the club and members in attendance indicated that they had several prospective candidates for membership in the club and GENERAL BAKER indicated that he had contacted a number of students at Wayne State University, Detroit, who might possibly be interested in becoming members of the club after the conclusion of the final exams which are currently in progress at Wayne State University.

DE T-2 advised that all members in attendance agreed that a concerted effort must be made to recruit additional members into the club inasmuch as warm weather would be here soon and the club would then be able to engage in rifle practice.

GENERAL BAKER indicated at this meeting that he had ascertained that CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III, would, in all probability, not participate in future activities of the FWHC due to his work and class schedule and for the further reason that SIMMONS appears to have lost his enthusiasm for the club.

DF T-2 further advised that members in attendance at this meeting agreed that the .22 caliber rifle should be utilized when the club is engaged in rifle practice inasmuch as the ammunition for this particular weapon is considerably cheaper than the other rifles in the possession of club members.

On April 29, 1966, DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that PAUL EDWARD BROOKS, who resides in Apartment 48 at 2611 Gladstone, Detroit, Michigan, departed on April 27, 1966, for Africa. DE T-2 and DE T-3 did not know the purpose of BROOKS' travel to Africa or the area in Africa which he planned on visiting.

DE T-4 and DE T-5 advised on November 1, 1964, that PAUL EDWARD BROOKS and his wife, CATHERINE, were the host at the October 30, 1964, through November 1, 1964, Nashville, Tennessee, RAM Conferences and that sessions of the RAM Conferences were held at the BROOKS' residence located at 2125 25th Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

DE T-6 advised on May 11, 1966, that on April 24, 1966, PAUL BROOKS, from Detroit, Michigan, was in the New York area with MAXWELL STANFORD of RAM. DE T-6 further advised that BROOKS indicated that he desired to go to Africa to train for the "struggle".

Detective Lieutenant GEORGE ROLLINS, Special Investigations Bureau, Detroit, Michigan, Police Department, on June 30, 1966, advised that a Black Arts Convention and Workshop sponsored by "Forum 66" was held at Detroit, Michigan, on June 24, 25 and 26, 1966.

According to Lieutenant ROLLINS, a workshop or discussion on Vietnam and World War II was scheduled to be held at this Forum with GENERAL GONDON BAKER, JR., acting as the moderator and CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III, as one of the participants; however, neither BAKER nor SIMMONS appeared at the scheduled time, as a result of which this workshop or discussion was cancelled.

According to Lieutenant ROLLINS, a program distributed at this affair contained the following information relative to the history of "Forum 66":

"Shortly after the opening of Vaughn's Book Store in January of 1965, it was suggested to EDWARD VAUGHN by AUSTIN CHAVOU, a brother long active in the Black Nationalist Movement, that a bi-weekly forum be held at the book store to stimulate and educate black people to our glorious past and the promising future that awaits us if we are but willing to incorporate programs of self held and self determination. Since its beginning Forum 66 has grown to a large group of black brothers and sisters dedicated to the active support of Black Nationalism throughout the world.

"A beautiful memorial dinner for the late MALCOLM X was held in February of this year and proceeds went to his family. We also gave the first annual Marcus Garvey award to brother HENRY WELLS of Highland Park, Michigan.

"Forum 66 has helped in the cause of African Liberation through projects in Tanzania, Zimbawabe (Southern Rhodesia) and Zambia.

"We have enhanced the cause of black unity in Detroit through educational endeavors. We are sponsoring this Black Arts Conference in an effort to forge this unity through the world.

"Our theme is 'Towards a greater understanding of our heritage'. Our aims are Black Nationalism, Black Unity and self determination!"

A characterization of MALCOLM X is contained in the characterization of the Organization of Afro-American Unity, Incorporated, (OAAU), which is contained in the appendix attached hereto.

DE T-3 advised on July 28, 1966, that he had been informed by an associate of GENERAL BAKER, JR., that BAKER would attempt to incide violence in the 12th Street area of Detroit within the next few days. DE T-3 advised that according to this associate, EAKER planned to start the rioting and violence in the 12th Street area by creating an incident at some white business establishment in that area.

Detective Lieutenant RAYMOND FORRESTAL, Special Investigations Bureau, Detroit, Michigan, Police Department, advised on July 31, 1966, that no disturbances occurred in the 12th Street area of Detroit during the period from July 28, 1966, through July 31, 1966.

#### APPENDIX

## ORGANIZATION OF AFRO-AMERICAN UNITY, INCORPORATED (OAAU)

On June 28, 1964, MALCOLM X LITTLE, founder and leader of the Muslim Mosque, Incorporated (MMI), publicly announced the formation of a new, all Negro, militant civil rights action group to be known as the Organization of Afro-American Unity (OAAU), with himself as Chairman. This announcement was made at a public rally held by the MMI in the Audubon Ballroom, Broadway and 166th Street, New York City.

A printed and published statement of basic OAAU aims read by MALCOLM X at this meeting indicates that it shall include "all" people of African descent in the Western Hemisphere, as well as "our" brothers and sisters on the African continems. It is patterned after the "letter and spirit" of the Organization of African Unity established (by African heads of States) at Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, in May, 1963.

A recording of the remarks of MALCOLM X at this meeting indicates that the aim of the OAAU is to eliminate differences between Negroes so they can work together for "human rights," while the initial objective is to "internationalize" the American civil rights movement by taking it to the United Nations. LITTLE condemned the non-violent civil rights movement and claims that Negroes should be taught to protect themselves, when and if necessary. The OAAU will sponsor a program for Negroes of education, politics, culture, economics, and social reform.

On May 17, 1965, a confidential source advised that the headquarters of the OAAV are located in MMI head-quarters, Suite 128, Hotel Theresa, 2090 7th Avenue, New York City.

MALCOLM X was assassinated on February 21, 1965, while addressing an OAAU rally at the Audubon Ballroom, New York City.

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Report at Detroit, Michigan, dated and captioned as above.

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## DETAILS:

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On January 25, 1966, DR T-1 advised that the local RAM group has no official headquarters; however, local gatherings and/or meetings of the Detroit RAM group have been held in the past in Apartment B-3, 1980 West Philadelphia, Detroit.

DE T-1 further advised that sometime during the latter part of 1965 GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III, and JOHN HENRY JACKSON, all local RAM members, moved from the building at 1980 West Philadelphia and at the present time KENNETH JOHN WATSON is the only local RAM member residing at the 1980 West Philadelphia address.

## B. Local RAM Leaders

On January 25, 1966, DE T-1 advised that the acknowledged leaders of the local RAH group are GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., and CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III; however, according to DE T-1 SIMMONS has not been active in local RAH or related activities in the recent past. SIMMONS is currently enrolled as a full time student at Wayne State University (VSU), Detroit, is employed on a full time basis in a local hospital as a technician, and is residing in an apartment building located at 252 Farnsworth, Detroit, Michigan, which building is in the immediate area of the VSU campus.

DE T-1 related that SIMMONS has not been observed in contact with GENERAL BAKER or other local RAM members in the recent past.

On January 20, 1966, DE T-2 and DE T-3 advised that GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. currently resides in a basement apartment of a building located at 2611 Gladstone. BAKER continues his employment on the afternoon shift as a production worker with the Chrysler Corporation and recently re-enrolled as a student at WSU. DE T-2 and DE T-3 further advised that they are in daily contact with GENERAL BAKER and have not observed CHARLES SIMMONS in the company of BAKER for approximately two or three months.

## C. Local PAM Members

On January 25, 1966, DR T-1 identified the following individuals as being members of the local RAM group:

GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.
CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III
JOHN HENRY JACKSON
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KENNITH JOHN WATSON
RUFUS GRIFFIN, JR.

## D. Activities

## Local RAM and Related Activities

On July 13, 1965, DE T-4 advised that the Organization for Black Power (OBP) was formed at conferences of "Militant Negro Radicals" held in Washington, D.C., May 30 and 31, 1965, and at Chicago, Illinois, July 3, 1965. Informant advised that one of the leading organizers of the OBP and its present chairman is JESSE GRAY, Harlem Rent-Strike Organizer.

DE T-4 furnished the following information concerning the nature and objectives of the OBP which was contained on a circular issued by the OBP during July, 1965:

"Membership in the OBP shall be of organizations and individuals who accept the perspective of Black Power. and the discipline of the organization in the struggle for this power. Black Political Power, particularly in the major cities of the United States, is today an urgent necessity for the survival of our people. It has also become a realistic perspective now that Negroes will be the majority of the population of the fifty largest cities by 1970. The Organization for Black Power will seek to build the kind of organization that will move people in struggle. No single organization can do this, but a coalition of forces inside the black communities can. We will be the agitators to agitate and mobilize the people in the back streets. We will give the people a consciousness of their power to control their communities and organize them for Black Power to determine their own destiny and change this system.

"The Organization for Black Power is part of the revolutionary struggle of people all over the world to liberate themselves from the determination of the United States to impose its way of life on the whole world, and to build a new world free from exploitation."

DE T-5 advised on November 20, 1958, that JESSE GRAY had been Organizer for the Harlen Region of the Communist Party (CP) but this position was terminated during November, 1958.

DE T-6 advised on January 24, 1964, that according to WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, Chairman of the New York District CP, JESSE GRAY is no longer a member of the CP but is a friend to the CP.

DE T-7 advised on August 27, 1965, that a meeting is scheduled to be held in Detroit, Michigan over the weekend of September 4 and 5, 1965. DE T-7 advised that he does not know the type of meeting; however, JESSE GRAY of the OBP is scheduled to attend and reportedly some RAN members from New York City, New York, Detroit, Michigan, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and elsewhere are scheduled to attend.

DE T-8 advised on September 9, 1965, that he had learned within the past day or so that a conference had been held in Detroit, Hichigan during the period from September 4 to 5, 1965. The conference was primarily under the suspices of OBP and had been attended by representatives of RAM, including MAX\STANFORD from New York City and DON FREEWAN from Cleveland, Ohio, both members of the leadership of RAM.

DE T-8 advised that the OBP itself is composed of representatives of the leadership of militant Negro elements within the civil rights field.

DE T-8, who did not attend the conference, advised that he had learned that the conference was called to discuss a number of issues of importance, mainly the administration's War on Poverty Program, questions of Negro self-defense, the war in Vietnam, and the forthcoming conference of President JOHNSCN with leaders of various civil rights groups in the United States. A secondary purpose of the conference re-

portedly was to attempt to establish a line of communication between the OBP and the "young people", as the RAM representatives were referred to at this conference. The agenda for the conference was prepared by the OBP leaders.

DE T-9 advised on September 9, 1965, that he had discussed the conference held in Detroit over the past weekend sponsored by the OBP with an individual who had attended both sessions of the affair, that is September 4 and 5, 1965. DE T-9 advised that the individual informed him that during discussions of the administration's Anti-Poverty Program the program had been referred to as a total failure and as not really going to the heart of the causes of the problems of the Negro in the slum and ghetto areas of the large northern cities. The program is to be denounced and criticized by OBP representatives in these ghettos.

DE T-9 advised that he further ascertained from this individual that there were representatives of the "Deacons for Defense" from Jonesboro, Louisiana, present at the conference and the urgent need for similar type Negro self-defense groups in various other localities in the United States was stressed. The OBP representatives present felt that such groups should be well trained in the use of arms and other self-defense methods but should be well disciplined and politically oriented entirely toward the concept of self-defense within the black community.

On several occasions, OBP representatives in attendance ridiculed the well known RAM concept of aggressive and positive military and para-military action considering it immature and not calculated to solve any of the problems of the Negroes in this country.

According to DE T-P, this individual further informed him that concerning the Vietnamese situation, the consensus of opinion of those in attendance at this conference was that the war in Vietnam was being waged on behalf of white imperialism to safeguard the colonial interests of the United States and it was not in the best interests of the Negroes of this country to serve in this struggle inasmuch as they would be fighting other colored people.

The forthcoming presidential conference with representatives of the so-called Negro civil rights leadership is expected to be futile and in all probability will serve only to mislead the administration. This is primarily because this so-called Negro leadership is not representative of anyone, much less representing or even understanding the problems of the Negroes in the ghetto. This conference will be a farce and will, in the final analysis, represent another effort to contain the Negro and attempt to give the impression that steps are being taken to alleviate his problems.

DE T-9 advised that he ascertained from the individual present at this conference that RAM members in Detroit are planning a large demonstration to take place at the induction center located at Fort Wayne, Detroit, Michigan, on September 10, 1965, at which time GENERAL BAKEN, JR. is scheduled to appear for his pre-induction physical examination into the armed forces. BAKER intends to go to jail rather than be inducted and a large public protest is to be staged on that day to dramatize his refusal to serve in the armed forces.

Concerning this demonstration, local Datroit RAM members reportedly feel that the potential for violence or even a riot will be present and although they have no plans to deliberately instigate a riot, they have indicated that they realize they might be arrested and will not allow themselves to be manhandled by the police. RAM members in Cleveland, Ohio and New York City, New York, will attempt to stage sympathy demonstrations with the one being held at Fort Wayne on September 10, 1965, and the possibility exists that a non RAM appresent sympathy demonstration might also be held in Washington, D.C.

DE T-9 further advised that it was the opinion of the individual present at this conference that there was little likelihood at this point of a lasting or permanent union between RAM and the OBP and that, in fact, the conference had seemed to serve only to illustrate the differences between the two organizations, particularly of RAM's extremely militant and openly violent approach to the struggle for Negro rights. Rim had apparently

desired the promise of financial support from the OBP during this conference; however, so far as is known, no such support will be forthcoming from the OBP to RAM.

On August 17, 1965, Detective STANLEY ROJOWSKI, Special Investigations Bureau, Detroit, Michigan Police Department, made available copies of two leaflets which local police officers had moted were being distributed on either August 14 or 16, 1965 in Detroit and of a poster which was found by a Detroit police officer stapled to a boarded-up store front at 12th and Pingree Streets, Detroit.

According to Detective ROJOVSKI, leaflets were passed out in the 12th Street - Delaware area and in the John R. - Edmund area, both in Detroit. Copies of these two leaflets and the poster are as follows:

## the Daniel State of the All Seedon loving black brothers and sisters

protest against the outrageous war of genocide being wager against the ASIANS in VIETNAM by the beastly white racist Americans.

Why? Because we black people should not go fight and de in foreign lands for socalled Preedom, when we are segregated, brutalized and dehumanized in this country Raceland U.S.A.

Join the protest (demonstration with 50,000 angry blacks on Sept. 10 at Fort Wayne induction

# JOHN MOVEMENT

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Let the outlaw Cowcoy Johnson send Luci Baines A Lacy Bird to Vietnam to Fight for so-called freedom.

Black people will to their fighting right here in "RACELAND" U.S.A.

Join the protest Communication with 50,000 angry Blacks on Sept. 10 at Fort Wayne induction station.

DAMINITHE MARIN

JOIN THE SEPTONENT MOVEMENT On August 17, 1965, DE T-2 advised that recently GENERAL BAKER and CHARLES SIMMONS were discussing the preparation of some leaflets to be distributed in the Detroit area regarding a demonstration being organized by GENERAL BAKER and the local RAM group to be held at Fort Wayne, Detroit, Michigan, on September 10, 1965. The purpose of this demonstration was to protest the draft and the induction of GENERAL BAKER into the armed forces as BAKER was scheduled to report to Fort Wayne on that date for his pre-induction physical examination.

DE T-2 further advised that BAKER has in the past stated on numerous occasions that he would rather go to jail than serve in the armed forces.

On August 19, 1965, Detective STANLEY ROJOWSKI, supra, made available a copy of a leaflet which leaflet, according to Detective ROJOWSKI, was discovered pasted on a fence in the area of 2979 Brush Street or August 17, 1965.

A copy of this leaflet is as follows:

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On August 27, 1965, Detective Lieutenant GEORGE ROLLINS, Special Investigations Bureau, Detroit, Michigan Police Department, advised that during the afternoon and early evening hours of August 26, 1965, a leaflet was distributed and placed on the windshields of parked automobiles by unknown Negro males in various areas of the City of Detroit and also in the nearby communities of Highland Park and Hamtranck, Michigan.

A copy of this leaflet is as follows:



This is an appeal to all black brothers and sisters to destroy resolutely, wholly and completely the white racist war machine which kills Asians in Vietnam, blacks in the Congo, blacks in the Cominican Republic, and which is now being turned against black people in raceland U.S.A.

This is Gemonstrated by the helicopter, and light artillery attacks by the racist as tanks rushle down the battle worn streets in los Angeles.

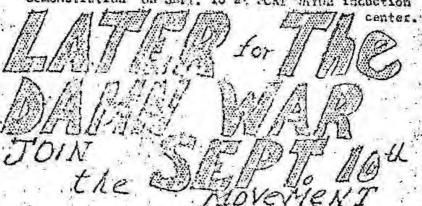
Yes brothers and sisters it is happening here!

How is the time to let the white racist beast know that townin days are over.

We will fight a nitty gritty, toe to toe head whupping struggle in this country rather than play another slave role on this exith.

. Brothers and eleters unite against the imperialist racist was in Victum.

Join 50,000 anjry highes in a protest demonstration on SEPT. 10 at JCRT WAYNE induction



On September 2, 1965, Detective Lieutenant GEORGE ROLLINS, supra, made available leaflets which were distributed during August 29 and 30, 1965, at several industrial plants located in the immediate area of downtown Detroit. In addition, Lieutenant ROLLINS advised that a leaflet bearing the caption "Oppose the Draft" was circulated on the campus of WSU during the afternoon and evening hours of August 29, 1965.

Lieutenant ROLLINS furnished copies of these leaflets which are as follows:

## OPPOSE DRAFT

We the young men being Crafted into the army face ceath in Vietnam, yet we have no voice in the network of Gecisions which will decide our fate.

In light of this fact we are vehemently opposed to the Draft as a means for providing the U.S. Har Machine with Cannon Fodder to carry out the hare brain schemes of Johnson and the War Hawks of the Pentagon.

We have every right to challenge the authority of any man, organization or government to use precious lives and codies as mere non-human objects, represented as pegs on some generals strategy; coard.

Hence we will let it be known that we do not voluntarily accept the ignominous role forced upon us by those who do not allow us to decide our fate in wars waged on foreign soil.

## JOINTHE SEPTONENT DEPOSITIONS SEA TOWN ON SEPTIME

# DAMERICANIES ARMY

The white racist decision makers (Johnson and the other thugs), must take us for stone fools if they think black people will serve as cannon fooder for the Hitler type war machine designed to mercilessly slaughter Asians in Vietnam.

Especially in the light of the atrocities committed by the racist beast in Los Angeles. In Los Angeles they called the Bloody slaughter of our people operation "clean sweep". In Vietnam they called the same operation "search and destroy". The victims are the same the world over, tark people fighting write racish imperialism and oppression.

We are serving notice to the white racist that we will fight a nitty gritty, toe to toe head whupping struggle in raceland U.S.A. to Ilberate our people rather than play a ignomious slave role on this earth again.

JOIN 50,000 ANGRY BLACKS IN A PROTEST DEMON-STRATION ON SEPT. 10 AT FORT WAYNE INDUCTION SUSTION AT LIVERNIOS AND JEFFARSON.

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On Saptember 3, 1965, DE T-3 advised that he overheard GENERAL BAKER inform another individual that a number of RAM members, primarily from the New York and Chicago, Illinois areas, were coming to Detroit on this date and would remain in the Detroit area for approximately one week. The purpose of their visit was to participate in the demonstration scheduled to be held on the sidewalk in front of Fort Wayne, Detroit, on September 10, 1965. BAKER further indicated that these same individuals, along with him and other local RAM nembers and followers, would participate in a gathering at approximately 6:00 PM on September 5, 1965, in the gree of 12th and Pingree Streets, Detroit. According to BAKER, the purpose of this gathering would be to solicit the support of passers-by in this area for the demonstration scheduled to be held at Fort Wayne, Detroit, on September 10, 1965.

DE T-3 further advised that BAKER indicated that he was not going to submit to a pre-induction physical examination at Fort Wayne on September 10, 1965, that he and other demonstrators would not enter the installation at Fort Wayne, and would remain on the sidewalk in front of Fort Wayne and carry out their picketing activities. BAKER informed that by demonstrating they hoped to convince other individuals reporting for their physical examinations on this date not to take them and refuse to enter the installation and join with them in the protest.

On September 6, 1965, Detective Lieutenant GEORGE ROLLINS, supra, advised that GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., and CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS, III conducted a street rally in the immediate area of the Brewster Housing Project located on the lower east side of Detroit during the approximate period from 7:15 to 7:50 PM on September 6, 1965. Lieutenant ROLLINS advised that a maximum of 50 spectators were in attendance at this rally, the majority of whom were Negroes. The spectators were urged by GENERAL BAKER and CHARLES SIMMONS to participate in a demonstration to be held at Fort Wayne, Detroit, on September 10, 1965, which demonstration was being sponsored by the local RAM organization in protest of the draft and the sending of Negro soldiers to Vietnam. Lieutenant RCLLINS advised that it was announced at this rally that the demonstration on September 10, 1965 was to be held on the sidewalk in front of the Livernois and Jefferson entrance to Fort Wayne.

Lieutenant ROLLINS further advised that during the late PM of September 5, 1965, GENERAL BAKER and other members of the local BAN group distributed leaflets in the area of 12th and Pingree Streets, Datroit. BOLLING advised that this particular area is occupied almost exclusively by Negroes, is frequented by pinps, prostitutes and narcotic addicts, and that the leaflets distributed urged individuals in this area to participate in the demonstration at Fort Wayne on September 10, 1965.

Identerant ROLLINS advised that the leaflets were distributed by BAKER and his associates without incident and that individuals in this area receiving them immediately deposited them in the guiter and did not appear to be impressed by GENERAL BAKER's plea for assistance in connection with the September 10, 1965 demonstration at Fort Wayne.

On September 8, 1965, Detective Lieutenant GEORGE ROLLINS, supra, advised that during the early AM of September 8, 1965, GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. and three other individuals were observed in the area of 11616 Dexter, Detroit, by a cruiser of the 10th Precinct, Detroit Police Department, in the process of affixing a poster and leaflet on a vacant store building. Two of the individuals with BAKER were observed by officers in the cruiser in the act of affixing the poster and leaflet to the vacant store building and were given citations for posting literature on private property.

According to Lieutenant ROLLINS, the poster, which was painted and size 12" by 18", contained the following:

"Destroy the Draft - To Hell With Whities Army. 50,000 Augry Black Citizens Will Demonstrate September 10. 1965, at Fort Wayne Induction Center (Detroit, Michigan). Mass Action to Halt Big Charlie's Mass Kidnapping and Marder."

The leaflet was captioned "To Hell With the Draft" and is as follows:



As the smoke clears in Los Angeles our people are counting our dead, wounded and jailed brothers and sisters who were mercilessly slaughtered by the white racist army. In the meantime the white racist army is being called upon elsewhere to smother the flames of our just revolution for freedom in Raceland U.S.A.

How check this! Lyndon Baines Johnson and other white racist gangsters have got the audacity to draft black people into their imperalistic racist army to fight our Asian brothers in Vietnam. They must think we are stone fools!! We are serving a stern warning to Mr. Charlie that we will fight a witty gritty life-death struggle in Raceland USA to liberate our people and we will never play the slave role again.

Join the protest demonstration at Fort Wayne in- odiction center at IX metols AND JETERSON at 4:00 edack Park

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On September 10, 1955, Detective Lieutemant GEORGE ROLLINS, supra, advised that during the late evening hours of September 9, 1965, leaflets were distributed in the 12th Street - Pingree area of Detroit, a predominantly Negro neighborhood, captioned "Attention Black Brother". A copy of this leaflet is as follows:

The White racist local leaders have issued a call to alert the national guard here in De- versit on Friday Sept. 10th to crush the anti- craft demonstration being held at Fort Wayne induction center at Livernois and Jefferson by our Black Brothers of the tept. 10th movement.

In light of this we are calling upon all of the hard black brothers to be on the Alert. To stay in the black ghetto areas instead of moving in mass to the Fort Wayne area by pre-viously announced car pools.

Viously announced car pools.

Remain on stand-by positions and if our black brothers participating in the protest demonstration are attacked...

YOU NOW WHAT TO DO...

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Lieutenant ROLLINS further advised that on September 10, 1965, GENERAL GORDON RAKER, JR. arrived at the United States Army Fort Wayne Induction Center at approximately 7:45 AM and was observed to leave the induction center at approximately 2:35 PM. ROLLINS stated that between the hours of 4:00 to 4:25 PM on September 10, 1965, BAKER, KENNETH JOHN WATSON and seven other individuals, all Negroes, picketed on the pavement area across from one of the entrances to Fort Wayne. He advised that all nine individuals who participated in this picketing demonstration carried signs which stated "Destroy the Draft". He advised that very little attention was afforded this demonstration and the demonstration was peaceful and without incident.

On September 10, 1965, Mr. WILLIAM ROBINSON, Special Agent in Charge of the Detroit Field Office, 113th Intelligence/Group, Region II, United States Army, Detroit, Michigan, advised that on September 10, 1965 GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. did pass his physical and mental test at the Wayne Induction Center but refused to sign United States Government Form DD 98 which has to do with the inductee's affiliation with various organizations. Mr. ROBINSON advised that RAM is not one of the organizations included on this form and stated that because of BAKER's failure to sign this form, he, BAKER, could not be inducted into the army on this date and is considered a deferred draftee.

## Fox and Wolf Hunt Club (FREC)

On August 9, 1985, DE T-2 advised that a meeting of the FNHC was held on August 8, 1985, at the residence of club member VALES CROSSLEY, 2929 Hazelwood, Detroit, Michigan.

DE T-Z identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.
JOHN H. JACKSON
JOHN KENNITH VATSON
MARSHALL VILLIAMS
VALES CROSSLEY
MAX HENVERSON
GRETTA BENDERSON
guest JOSEPH BARRON

DH T-2 advised that due to the inclement weather, rifle practice scheduled to be held by the club on this date was cancelled. DH T-2 advised that a brief business meeting of the club was held, after which members in attendance engaged in a drill which consisted of assembling and disassembling the various makes of rifles in the possession of club members.

DE T-2 advised that during this drill general conversation took place between the various members in attendance. VALES CROSSLEY indicated to members in attendance that he might be able to obtain some "hot hand weapons" such as automatics and revolvers in the near future if club members were desirous of having them. Several club members indicated a desire to purchase such weapons from CROSSLEY; however, CROSSLEY did not indicate any definite date of delivery or further indicate where he contemplated obtaining these weapons.

GENERAL HAKER indicated that he was to report for his pre-induction physical examination for military service at Fort Wayne, Detroit, on September 10, 1965. BAKER indicated that he would rather go to jail than serve in the United States Army. BAKER requested members of the FWHC to participate in a demonstration being sponsored by his organization to be held at Fort Wayne, Detroit, on September 10, 1965, in protest of his possible induction into the armed forces.

On August 16, 1965, DE T-2 advised that on August 15, 1965, members of the FWHC engaged in rifle practice at the Hickory Ridge Rifle Range located at 23 Mile and Dequindre Roads outside of the immediate Detroit, Michigan area. DE T-2 advised that members in attendance at this practice arrived at the range shortly after moon on August 15, 1965, and that the practice session lasted approximately two and one-half hours.

DE T-2 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

KUNNETH HODGES
GENERAL KAKER
JOHN H. JACKEON
MARSHALL WILLIAMS
CHALL B SI 100,00
VALES CROSSLEY

MAX HENDERSON GRETTA HENDERSON

DE T-2 advised that during the course of the afternoon at the range the following comments were made:

GENERAL BAKER indicated that he would rather go to jail than serve in the armed forces. BAKER indicated that a demonstration being sponsored by his organization to be held at Fort Wayne, Detroit, on September 10, 1965, in protest of his possible induction into the armed forces was still scheduled to be held on that date.

GENERAL BAKER indicated that he and other local members of his organization each purchased 700 rounds of ammunition last Saturday at Griswold's Department Store, which store is located in the downtown Detroit area.

GENERAL BAKER discussed the recent ricting in the Los Angeles, California, area by Negroes and stated that a racial riot in Detroit is overdue. He did not further elaborate on this statement.

MARSHALL WILLIAMS indicated that he had recently conversed telephonically with an individual whose name he did not mention but whom he indicated was connected with the RAM organization in the Los Angeles area. According to WILLIAMS, this individual indicated that the rioting would not cease in the Los Angeles area until the Negroes achieved their goal. WILLIAMS did not indicate what goal this individual was referring to; however, WILLIAMS did indicate that according to this individual rioting would occur in the future in Detroit and New York City, New York.

GENERAL BAKER stated that the FWHC would merge and become a part of RAM in the near future.

On August 30, 1965, DE T-2 advised that a meeting of the FUHC was held on August 29, 1965, at the residence of club member MAX HENDERSON, 2011 Gladstone Street, Detroit.

DE T-2 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.
JOHN KENNETH WATSON
KENNETH HODGE
VALES CROSSLEY

## MAX HENDERSON GRETTA HENDERSON

DE T-2 advised that the meeting was called to order by GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., Club Treasurer, in the absence of Club President JOHN H. JACKSON. GENERAL BAKER gave a financial report concerning the club and identified those members who were delinquent in their dues, after which a general discussion among club members took place regarding the possible entry into the military service of GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. BAKER indicated that his group has passed out leaflets and pamphlets throughout the immediate Detroit area, primarily in areas heavily populated by Negroes. These pamphlets and leaflets urge individuals to join in a demonstration at which 50,000 are reportedly going to participate to be held on September 10, 1965, at Fort Wayne, Detroit, to protest the draft. GENERAL RAKER indicated that he plans on reporting for his pre-induction physical examination on September 10, 1965, at Fort Wayne, Detroit; however, he indicated he may refuse to take the physical examination but has not made a definite decision concerning this matter. He indicated, however, that under no circumstances would be serve in the armed forces of the United States and would rather go to prison. BAKER urged club members in attendance to participate in this demonstration and indicated be expected to receive some support from students at Wayne State University who have, in the past, demonstrated against United States involvement in the war in Vietnam.

DE T-2 advised that those in attendance held a general discussion regarding the present form of government in the United States. BAKER indicated that in his minion the affluent families in the United States rule the United States Government and that these same families set up the antitrust laws to protect themselves.

At the conclusion of the meeting, BAKER indicated that he was moving from his basement apartment at 1980 West Philadelphia, Detroit, to the residence of his mother located on South Ethel Street in Ecorse, Michigan. He indicated that this move was temporary and that he would still spend the majority of his time at the Philadelphia address; however, he stated that in the event he was arrested as a result of his refusal to serve in the armed forces, he did not wish to have the arrest occur at the Philadelphia location.

On September 8, 1965, DE T-3 advised that a meeting of the FWRC was held on September 5, 1965, at the residence of club member MAX HENDERSON, 2611 Gladstone, Detroit.

DE T-3 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

MARSHALL WILLIAMS
GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.
JOHN H. JACKSON
VALES CROSSLEY
CHARLES EDHARD SIMMONS, .III
KENNETH HODGE
MAX HENDERSON
JOHN KENNETH WATSON

DE T-3 advised that the meeting was called to order by Club President JOHN H. JACKSON. The first order of business was a financial report by the Club Treasurer GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. who explained to members the current financial standing of the club and, in addition, collected \$16.00 in dues from the members present.

After BAKER gave the financial report, he indicated that he was resigning his position as treasurer of the club in view of the fact that he anticipated he might possibly be arrested in the immediate future because of his refusal to serve in the armed forces of the United States. BAKER further indicated that the demonstration on September 10, 1965, to protest the draft would be held as scheduled and that he, BAKER, would participate in the demonstration; however, he would not report for his pre-induction physical examination at the induction center, Fort Wayne, as ordered by his local Selective Service Board on September 10, 1965.

On September 27, 1965, DE T-2 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on September 26, 1965, at the residence of club member MAX HENDERSON, 2611 Gladstone, Detreit, Michigan.

DE T-2 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. JOHN H. JACKSON

VALES CROSSLEY MAX HENDERSON GRETTA HENDERSON

DE T-2 advised that the meeting was called to order by Club President JOHN H. JACKSON and that the first order of business was a financial report by GENERAL GCZDON BAKER, JR. who continues to act as Club Treasurer. BAKER collected dues from Club President JOHN H. JACKSON who was behind in his dues and indicated that all other members of the club present are in good standing relative to their dues.

According to DE T-2, JACKSON indicated that the club has two immediate goals. One is to have all the money necessary in connection with the filing of an application for membership of the club in the National Rifle Association (NRA). The next goal, according to JACKSON, is to recruit additional members into the club and in this connection club members present were requested by JACKSON to contact a friend in an attempt to influence this individual to become a member of the club.

According to DE T-2, club member VALES CROSSLEY suggested that in the future the club meet only twice a month; however, GENERAL BAKER vetoed this suggestion and indicated that the club will continue to meet on a weekly basis. BAKER further indicated that the club should discontinue the practice of going to the rifle range inasmuch as it is very costly and club members could engage in rifle practice in the basement of the residence of VALES CROSSLEY.

On October 5, 1965, DR T-2 advised that a meeting of the FVHC was held on October 3, 1965, at the residence of club members MAX and GRETTA HENDERSON, located at 2611 Gladstone, Detroit, Michigan.

DE T-2 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.
MARSHAIL H. WILLIAMS
VALES CROSSLEY
MAX HENDERSON
GREITA HENDERSON

DE T-2 advised that the meeting was called to order by MAX HENDERSON in the absence of Club President JOHN H. JACESON at 12:30 PM. According to DE T-2, the first order of business was a financial report by GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. and the collection of dues by BAKER from members present for the month of October. According to informant, all members present paid their \$2.00 dues for the month of October.

DE T-2 advised that as a result of a discussion led by GENERAL GOEDON BAKER, JR. it was decided that club meetings in the future would be held on the first and third Sunday of every month and not every Sunday inasmuch as several club members were working from 12 to 16 hours a day, seven days a week.

DR T-2 further advised that BAKER indicated that the club must recruit additional members in connection with the filing of an application for membership of the club in the NRA. BAKER stated that additional funds from various members were still necessary prior to the club filing the membership application with the NRA.

DE T-2 advised that RAKER invited club members present to meet with the local RAM group on a Sunday convenient to both club members and GENERAL BAKER and his club in the immediate future. BAKER did not indicate where this meeting would be held or how many participants would be in attendance from his group to this meeting.

On October 20, 1965, DE T-2 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on October 17, 1965, at the residence of club members MAX and GRETTA HENDERSON located at 2611 Gladstone, Detroit, Michigan.

DE T-2 identified the following individuals as being among those in attendance at this meeting:

GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. VALUES CROSSLEY
HAX HENDERSON
GRETTA HENDERSON

DE T-2 advised that the meeting was called to order by GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. in the absence of Club President JOHN H. JACKSON at approximately 11:30 AM. According to source, the first order of business was a financial report by GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. and the collection of dues by BAKER from members present who had not previously paid their dues for the month of October.

BAKER then collected \$400 each from members present in connection with the filing by the club of the application for membership in the NRA. BAKER indicated that the application for membership of the club in the NRA would not be submitted until such time as all members had paid their \$4.00 and further that the club, in order to apply for membership in the NRA, must have a minimum of ten members in the club. BAKER indicated at the present time that the club required two additional members in order to comply with the requirements of the NRA.

BAKER indicated that he and several of his associates whom he did not identify had participated in a demonstration to protest the draft at Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, on October 15, 1965. BAKER did not indicate that he or any of the other nembers in attendance with him spoke or took any prominent part in this demonstration.

DR T-2 advised that BAKER indicated that his group at the present time is in the process of being re-organized and that when the re-organization is completed they planned on having the local RAM group become members of the Rifle Club. The Rifle Club would then be a part of the local RAM group. He stated that at the present time his group has been practically inactive; however, he hoped in the future to resume activities.

On November 16, 1965, DE T-2 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on November 14, 1965, at the apartment residence of club members MAX and GRETTA HENDERSON located at 2611 Gladstone, Detroit, Michigan.

DE T-2 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

VALES CROSSLEY NOBEL SMITH JOHN H. JACKSON GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. GRETTA HENDERSON MAX HENDERSON

DM T-2 advised that the meeting was called to order at 12:00 noon by GENERAL GORDON RAKER, JR. The first order of business was a report by BAKER on the financial status of the club and the collection of dues from members present.

Discussion was held concerning the application by the club for membership in the NRA and it was indicated that at the present time not all club members have paid the special \$4.00 assessment in connection with the filing of the application for club membership in the NRA. It was also indicated that a minimum of 10 names are necessary in connection with the filing of the application and at the present time, the club lacked two names to comply with the minimum requirement of 10 names.

GENERAL BAKER stated that he has accepted a position as janitor in the apartment building managed by MAX HENDERSON at 2611 Gladstone, that he plans on teminating his employment with the Chrysler Corporation around the first of January, 1966, and plans on re-enrolling at Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan.

BAKER stated that at the present time he is in the process of renovating a basement apartment located at 2611 Gladstone in which apartment he, NOBEL SMITH and JOHN KENNETH WATSON will reside. He stated that in connection with his planned re-admittance to Wayne State University, he hopes to utilize his student status at Wayne State University to recruit new members for the club and the local RAM group.

GENERAL BAKER stated that he attended an affair held the past weekend at which an individual by the name of I. B. TABATA was the principal speaker. BAKER described TABATA as being the President of the Unity Movement of South Africa and also the President of the African People's Democratic Union of South Africa. According to BAKER, TARATA spoke on the Rhodesian situation and requested financial support for Africans in connection with the struggle against

white supremist Rhodesia. BAKER also indicated that in addition to financial support, volunteers to fight in the African cause were requested by TABATA.

On November 23, 1965, DE T-2 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on November 21, 1965, at the apartment residence of club members MAX and GRETTA HENDERSON located at 2611 Gladatone, Detroit, Michigan.

DE T-2 identified the following individuals as being among some of those present at this meeting:

VALES CROSSLEY
NOBEL SMITH
GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.
MARSHALL VILLIAMS
MAX HENDERSON
GRETTA HENDERSON

DE T-2 stated that this meeting was called to order by the Club Treasurer GENERAL BAKER and MARSHALL WILLIAMS paid his back dues totalling \$12.00. It was decided by those present that no rifle practice would be held on this date. The group then worked on preparation of the NRA Charter, which they planned to submit.

GENERAL BAKER stated that he is still in the process of renovating a basement apartment located at 2611 Gladstone, Detroit, where he plans to reside.

DE T-2 said that those present decided they may go to a rifle range on the following Sunday, November 28, 1965, so that the club members can participate in rifle practice.

## APPENDIX

## REVOLUTIONARY ACTION MOVEMENT (RAM)

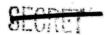
On November 3, 1964, a source made available a document entitled "The Revolutionary Action Movement Manifesto," the document having been obtained by the source from an individual known to be a member of RAM.

This document stated, in part, that RAM was officially organized in the winter of 1963 by Afro-Americans who support the revolutionary objectives of ROBERT F. WILLIAMS, now residing in Cuba, and his concept of organized violence to achieve the liberation of the Afro-American people in the United States. This Manifesto reflected that RAM had oriented its program to one of education and political revolution and the organization of a "black" political party with revolutionary objectives, having recognized the need for a "black revolution" that could and would seize power. RAM philosophy is described in this document as one of revolutionary nationalism, that is, one involving the struggles of the non-white races of the world against exploitation and enslavement by the white capitalist and imperialist nations.

Regarding Williams, above, it should be noted that on August 28, 1961, a federal warrant was issued at Charlotte, North Carolina, charging with Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution for the Crime of Kidnapping. Subsequent to the issuance of this warrant, WILLIAMS fled the United States to Cuba, where he now publishes a monthly newsletter entitled "The Crusader," from Havana.

This source, in September, 1964, advised that RAM is dedicated to the overthrow of the capitalist system in the United States, by violence if necessary, and to its replacement by a nocialistic system oriented toward the Chinese communict interpretation of Marxism-Leninism. RAN is entirely non-white in nembership, clandestine in nature, and owes its primary allegiance to the "Bandung World," that is, the non-white races of the world, rather than to any national entity, as such.

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RAM

On November 16, 1964, a second source advised that he learned recently from a RAM member that the organization was begun in Detroit, Michigan, largely under the impetus of DON FREEMAN, described as the "Father" of RAM and referred to as RAM's "Black Stalin". FREEMAN served as RAM Chairman, with MAXWELL STANFORD, now of New York City, formerly of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, serving as RAM Field Chairman.

This source stated, in May, 1965, that there has been no formal headquarters, as such, for RAM, but that headquarters have been with FREEMAN since he has played such a dominant role in the leadership of and has directed the policies and activities of the organization.

Within recent months, according to the second source, dissension within RAM has become evident and some dissatis-faction with FREEMAN's leadership has arisen. So far as is known, however, he remains the titular leader of RAM.

To date, according to the second source, in May, 1965, RAM has organized units and membership in several of the larger cities in the United States east of the Mississippi River, and the organization is currently active, attempting to recruit new members and expand its sphere of influence.

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Local Revolutionary Action Movement (RAM) group has no official headquarters. Local RAM leaders identified as GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. and CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS III. Identities of other known local RAM members set forth. Activities of BAKER, SIMMONS, and others in the Fox and Wolf Hunt Club during period May, 1965, through July, 1965, set forth.

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## DETAILS:

A characterization of the Revolutionary Action Movement (RAM) is contained in the appendix hereto.

# A. Local RAM Headquarters

On August 2, 1965, DE T-1 advised that the local RAM group has no official headquarters; however,

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local gatherings and/or meetings of the Detroit RAM group have in the past been held in Apartment B-3, 1980 West Philadelphia, Detroit, Michigan.

## B. Local RAM Leaders

On August 2, 1965, DE T-1 advised that the acknowledged leaders of the local RAM group are GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. and CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS III.

DE T-1 additionally advised that BAKER and SIMMONS continue to reside in Apartment B-3 at 1980 West Philadelphia, Detroit, which apartment has been utilized by these individuals for local RAM activities in the past.

## C. Local RAM Members

On August 2, 1965, DE T-1 identified the following individuals as being members of the local RAN group:

GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.,
CHARLES EDWARD SIMMONS III,
JOHN HENRY JACKSON,
MARSHALL WILLIAMS,
KENNETH JOHN WATSON.

RUFUS GRIFFIN, JR.

# D. Activities

# I. Local RAM Activities

DE T-2 during May, 1965, advised that he ascertained information set forth below from an individual known by him, informant, to be associated with the Detroit RAM group:

On May 3, 1965, a discussion relative to the Dominican Republic and the Vietnam situations took place in which GENERAL GORDON BAKER, MARSHALL WILLIAMS, and CHARLES SIMMONS, among others, participated.

Mr. BAKER stated that (President LYNDON B.) JOHNSON is just like HITLER, same nationality.

Concerning the sending of troops to the Dominican Republic, Mr. BAKER said he does not think there is a revolution going on there, and the fact that "Sam" (United States) goes into different countries gives reason for other countries to do so. He commented that Russia and China should put something there, too.

Mr. BAKER related that he is concerned about the people getting killed in Vietnam and if he were a "big dog", like where China is sitting right next to Vietnam, he would throw some stuff into Vietnam also.

Mr. WILLIAMS agreed with Mr. BAKER that the Communists should throw everything they have into North Vietnam and push the United States out. Mr. WILLIAMS is of the opinion that "Sam" is pistol whipping North Vietnam and doing a lot of damage and MINH should ask for any help he can get.

One of the persons present maintained that MINH should do anything he can to prevent North Vietnam from becoming the battle ground between Communism and Capitalism. Mr. WILLIAMS wondered what would happen if the United States were pushed out of Vietnam by the Viet Cong without developing a large scale of war; would the United States come back with more military power and still make Vietnam the battle ground?

One of the group observed that the United States did not come back when CHIANG KAI-SHEK was pushed out of China, and Mr. WILLIAMS remarked that the United States was not as war-minded then as now.

He stated that the introduction of the "Bear" bomber into China during the Korean War prevented the United States from crossing the Yalu River and bombing China because the "Russian Bear" bomber was better than any bomber the United States had at the time or has now.

One of the individuals present commented that the United States did not cross the Yalu River because they could not; that the Chinese Army beat them on the ground; and it was pointed out that MINH has three choices: stop the war and let Vietnam be divided, keep the war on the present level with the possibility of winning without great damage to Vietnam and loss of life; and accelerating the war with the possibility of winning and all Vietnam being destroyed.

Mr. WILLIAMS maintained that the United States is slowly destroying North Vietnam and should be stopped, even if it means the possibility of total destruction, and that it might as well be done all at once as slowly.

Mr. WILLIAMS stated that he is sure that if Russia said that they were going to go into the Vetnam war with everything they had, the United States would stop.

Mr. BAKER related that when he was in Cuba in August, he was at the North Vietnam delegation head-quarters and inquired of the head of the delegation whether North Vietnam would ask China for help in the event the United States bombed them, and Mr. BAKER was informed that North Vietnam could beat the United States without help.

GENERAL BAKER commented that Russia is ahead of "Sam" in missiles because they have developed more powerful engines. He stated that he gets a better view of Russia when he knows Russia is backing the Communist Party in this country, and the Communist Party in this

country is pro-MARTIN LUTHER KING. Mr. WILLIAMS agreed.

Relative to the Dominican Republic situation, Mr. BAKER stated that the Dominicans will probably be the most revolutionary country down there.

On May 7, 1965, CHARLES SIMMONS disclosed that they will have to start getting their own literature inasmuch as some of the material, such as the "Revolutionary History", is outdated. Also, they must study different struggles.

Mr. BAKER commented that they will have to use racism to get to some of the "cats". Mr. SIMMONS thinks they should get some type of platform and program and some leaflets and pamphlets available to give to people to know what they stand for and where they are.

Mr. BAKER expressed the desire to get some classes started, and from this, they may get about ten people who could be taught the basics of Markism and Revolution and Black History.

Mr. SIMMONS feels they should be organized by the middle of summer and have some type of platform by that time. Mr. SIMMONS would like to see a wild cat strike against the "man" (President JOHNSON) where none of "our brothers" would work. He said he is just beginning to see how effective they can be; also, they would get a kick out of it; and that a lot of "Niggers" are real emotional and would really join something like that.

On June 14, 1965, DE T-3 advised the Detroit Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that earlier on June 14, 1965, he had been in contact with an individual in Detroit known to DE T-3 as a member of the RAM there.

DE T-3 advised that this individual had related to him that MAX STANFORD of New York City, New York, had been in Detroit during the latter part of the preceding week. STANFORD is known as a member of the collective leadership of RAM.

The purpose of STANFORD's vist to Detroit was not known for certain to the individual contacted by DE T-3; however, it is believed that his trip was related to plans for certain RAM members, in Detroit, and elsewhere, to travel to foreign countries, most probably Cuba, during the summer of 1965. The purpose of such travel to Cuba and similar type socialist countries would be for these RAM members to acquaint themselves with conditions in these countries as well as possibly to undergo training there in guerilla tactics.

DE T-3 advised that he had learned that the main emphasis of the Detroit RAM group at present is being placed on the publication and distribution of literature, such as "Black Vanguard" referred to as the publication of the League of Black Workers. This is, in fact, a RAM operation and the publication is being distributed at plants and factories in the Detroit area where several RAM members are employed. It is known that a difference in the tactical approach to the content of such publications exists in the Detroit RAM, with some members in favor of a more open Marxist approach and the inclusion in this literature of such articles as LENIN's "Where to Begin".

Over the previous weekend it was learned that several Detroit RAM members had attended a social type affair held in Ecorse, Michigan, where the RAM line and philosophy was espoused by them before a gathering of some 20 persons. Attacks were made by these RAM members on the perversion of news by the press media in the United States, the deceit and lies engaged in by the United States Government regarding such issues as Cuba and Vietnam, and many favorable references were

made to conditions in Cuba today by the RAM members who had traveled to Cuba during the preceding summer. It was reportedly pointed out by one of those present that it seemed that whenever the United States engaged in a struggle with another nation, such as in Vietnam or the Dominican Republic, the antagonists invariably seemed to be colored people.

On June 29, 1965, DE T-4 made available the June - July, 1965, issue of a magazine captioned, "The Razor", which magazine, according to DE T-4, he obtained from GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. on June 28, 1965.
BAKER, according to DE T-4, when making this magazine available, indicated that the magazine is a publication of RAM.

An article contained in this magazine is quoted in its entirety as follows:

"General Baker, Jr. Local Board No. 100 Detroit 31, Michigan Selective service No. 20-100-41-374

"TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

### "Gentlemen:

"This letter is in regards to a notice sent to me, GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR., requesting my appearance before an examining station to determine my fitness for military service.

"How could you have the nerve, knowing that I am a black man living under the scope and influence of America's racist, decadent society? You did not ask

"me if I had any morals, principles, or basic human values by which to live. Yet, you ask me am I qualified. Qualified FOR WHAT, might I ask? What does being 'qualified' mean: qualified to serve in the U.S. Army—to be further brainwashed into the insidious notion of defending freedom?

"You stand before me with the dried blood of Patrice Lumumba on your hands, the blood of defenseless Panamanian students, shot down by U.S. Marines; the blood of my black brothers in Angola and South Africa being tortured by the Portugese and South African whites (whom you support) respectively; the dead people of Japan, Korea, and now Vietnam, in Asia; the blood of Medgar Evers, six Birmingham babies, the blood of one million Algerians slaughtered by the French (whom you supported); the Fresh BLOOD of 10,000 Congolese patriots dead from your ruthless rape and plunder of the Congo the blood of defenseless women and children burned in villages from Napalm jelly bombs. With all this blood of my non-white brothers dripping from your fangs, you have the damn audacity to ask me am I WHITE MAN: qualified. listen to me, for I am talking to you!

"I (m a man of principles and values: principles of justice and truth, valueing national liberation, self-determination, and respect for national)

"sovereignty. Yet, you ask me to go to oppress my brothers in Asia. Africa, and Latin America; who are completely and resolutely within their just right to free their fatherlands from foreign domination. You ask me am I qualified to join an army of fools, assassins, and morally delinquent cowards not. worthy of being called men. To defend the riches reaped from the super-exploitation of the darker races of mankind by a few white, rich, super-monopolists who control the vastest empire that has ever existed in man's one million years of History -- all in the name of 'FREEDOM.'

"Why, here in the heart of America, 22 million black people are suffering unsurmountable toils: exploited economically by every form of business—from monopolists to petty hustlers, completely surpressed politically, and deprived of their social and cultural heritage.

"all men of principles are fighting men...MY FIGHT IS FOR FREEDOM, UHURU, LIBRE, HALAUGA, AND HARAMBEE!!!

### "THEREFORE:

"When the call is made to free South Africa; when the call is made to drive the Portugese from Angola; when the call is made to liberate Latin America from the United Fruit CO., from Kaiser and Reynolds Aluminum Co., from The Standard Oil Co., when the call is

"made to jail the exploiting Brahams in India to destroy the caste system, when the call is made to free the black delta of Mississippi, Alabama, and South Carolina; when the call is made to free Harlem, New York, to free 12th Street here in Detroit and all the other 12th streets around the country...--Yes, when these calls are made send for me, for these shall be historic struggles in which it shall be an everlasting honor and a pleasure for me to serve...

## "THANK YOU!!!...."

II. Connections with the Fox and Wolf Hunt Club (FWHC)

On May 18, 1965, DE T-5 advised that an informal gathering of the FWHC was held on May 16, 1965, at 2929 Hazelwood, Detroit.

DE T-5 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this informal gathering:

GENERAL BAKER,

VALES CROSSLEY,

MAX HENDERSON,

GRETTA BRIDGES.

DE T-5 advised that GENERAL BAKER indicated that CHARLES (MMONS was in Canada over the weekend and as a result was not able to be in attendance at this informal gathering. He further indicated that

MARSHALL WILLIAMS had his car repossessed as a result of which he was without transportation and unable to return to the Detroit area from Lansing, Michigan, where he is attending college.

GENERAL BAKER indicated that he is saving his money in order to purchase a printing press, which press he intends to utilize to print revolutionary leaflets. BAKER indicated that he was going to distribute these revolutionary leaflets initially without any charge; however, at a later date, he intended to sell them.

GENERAL BAKER advised those in attendance at this informal gathering that he would provide these leaflets to members in attendance when they become available.

According to DE T-5, GENERAL BAKER stated that he is attempting to find a new apartment inasmuch as his present apartment is not desirable.

DE T-5 advised that RICHARD HENRY, FWHC President, arrived at the informal gathering with 200rounds of .22 caliber ammunition. Source advised that those in attendance at the informal gathering proceeded to the basement of the CROSSLEY residence where they engaged in target practice with a .22 caliber rifle.

DE T-5 advised that members of the FWHC are planning to meet next Sunday, May 23, 1965, at the CROSSLEY residence from which location they will proceed to a rifle range located at Dequindre and 23 Mile Roads outside the immediate Detroit area where they will engage in rifle practice.

On May 26, 1965, DE T-5 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on May 23, 1965, at 2929 Hazelwood, Detroit.

DE T-5 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

GENERAL BAKER,

JOHN JACKSON,

RICHARD HENRY.

VALES CROSSLEY.

MAX HENDERSON,

GRETTA BRIDGES.

DE T-5 advised that the trip to the rifle range planned by the club on this date was canceled by club President RICHARD HENRY. HENRY gave no reason for the cancellation; however, he did indicate that an outdoor shoot would be held at a later date.

HENRY indicated to club members present that he would like the club to purchase 400 acres of land located somewhere in the northern part of Michigan so that the club would have a private place to shoot. HENRY stated that he wished the various club members would consider his proposal and that he would bring it up again at a subsequent meeting of the club.

GENERAL BAKER advised members in attendance that he was still working on his revolutionary leaflet that, when completed, would be approximately 20 pages long, and he would make it available to club members.

DE T-5 advised that the meeting was terminated earlier than usual inasmuch as VALES CROSSLEY received some unexpected visitors from out of town.

On June 7, 1965, DE T-5 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on June 6, 1965, in a small office of RICHARD B. HENRY, located at 13341 Livernois, Detroit.

DE T-5 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

RICHARD HENRY,

VIRGIL HOBBS,

CHARLES SIMMONS,

MARSHALL WILLIAMS,

GENERAL BAKER,

VALES CROSSLEY.

MAX HENDERSON.

GRETTA BRIDGES.

DE T-5 advised that this meeting was called to order by the FWHC President, RICHARD B. HENRY, and the FWHC Treasurer, GENERAL BAKER, gave his report on the status of the club bank account and he collected the dues for the month of June.

A report was then given by MAX HENDERSON on the prospective purchase of shooting jackets and jacket arm patches and all present voted unanimously for the purchase of the jackets and the patches.

According to DE T-5, RICHARD HENRY showed those present a newspaper clipping which he stated he had taken from the Sunday edition of June 6, 1965, of the "Detroit Free Press", a newspaper published daily in Detroit. The article is captioned, "Southern Negroes Form Armed League Against Terrorists" and reads as follows:

"Bogalusa, La. - An armed league of Negroes, formed for

"defense against white terrorism, is spreading across the South.

"The Deacons for Defense and Justice, born last summer in northern Louisiana, has crossed the Mississippi River into Mississippi and Alabama and plan to move into every Southern state.

"The Deacons have guns and they have shown they are willing to use them. Twice in Louisiana they have opened fire on harassing whites.

"The organization raises a hard question for advocates of nonviolence. Should a civil rights organization committed to non-violence align itself with the Deacons and accept its services, as one organization has done, at least theirly if not by design?

"The Deacons are causing concern among law enforcement authorities in Loufsiana.

"The organization was formed largely out of a belief that Negroes could not ex-impartial treatment from white lawmen and that, if they were to be defended against church burnings, bombings, beatings, killings have to do it themselves.

"Ernest Thomas of Jonesboro, La., 32, the vice president and full-time organizer of the Deacons, "said that the organization had 50 to 55 chapters in various stages of organization in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.

"He declined to disclose the number of members. Outsiders have guessed from 5,000 to 15,000, he said, but he would not indicate that either figure was correct. The membership probably is not large.

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"The main strength is in Louislana. The incursions across the Mississippi appear to be tentative and exploratory.

"Thomas visited the Deacons in Bogalusa Friday in the wake of the murder of O'Neal Moore, one of Washington Parish's first Negro deputy sheriffs. He was interviewed at the home of Robert Hicks, a Bogalusa Negro leader whose home has become the headquarters of the Bogalusa civil rights movement.

"Richard Haley of New Orleans, the Southern Director of the Congress of Racial Equality, participated in the interview. CORE and the Deacons are on friendly terms. Many Deacon chapters are in towns that have CORE staffers at work.

"Haley said the connection between the two organizations began accidentally at Jonesboro "when CORE discovered that its workers were safer with the Deacons around.

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"Thomas said the Deacons were armed with rifles and pistols.

"'Everybody owns his own piece', he said. The organization provides ammunition, which it buys in quantity for savings.

"Thomas hopes to standardize weapons to effect further savings. He favors the 30 - caliber Army carbine and the 38 - caliber pistol. Some members have automatic carbines that will fire 30 rounds like a machinegum. Most now use shot-guns, Thomas said.

"Thomas and Haley share a concern that the Deacons may be painted as aggressive and trigger happy. They were organized strictly for defense and they are highly disciplined, Thomas said.

"One of their main jobs is to protect civil rights workers and volunteers participating civil rights activities. A person knowlingly exposes himself to white violence when he walks a picket line. But when at night he is entitled to rest without worry, and that's where the Deacons come in, Thomas said.

"With Percy Lee Bradford of Jonesbora as president, the Deacons "were incorporated in March as a non-profit corporation in Louisiana."

According to DE T-5, HENRY told those present that they should think about possibly going to Louisiana and he mentioned it might be a good idea for two members of the FWHC to go to Louisiana to see what this group called "The Deacons" is all about.

HENRY said he might try to telephonically contact either PERCY LEE BRADFORD, the President of "The Deacons" or ERNEST THOMAS, Vice-President of "The Deacons".

HENRY also suggested that the FWHC members should think about possibly having a rally in Detroit with the idea of raising funds in order to send the delegates to Louisiana to work along with "The Deacons".

DE T-5 advised that after the FWHC meeting ended, the various members present proceeded to the Hickory Ridge Rifle Range located at 23 Mile Road and Dequindre, outside of the immediate Detroit area, where they engaged in target practice.

On June 1, 1965, DE T-5 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on May 29, 1965, at the residence of club member VALES/CROSSLEY, 2929 Hazelwood, Detroit.

DE T-5 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

GENERAL BAKER.

JOHN JACKSON.

MARSHALL WILLIAMS,

VALES CROSSLEY.

MAX HENDERSON,

GRETTA BRIDGES.

DE T-5 advised that no business meeting of the club was held; however, that members in attendance at this meeting engaged in rifle practice in the basement of the CROSSLEY residence.

DE T-5 advised that members in attendance received instructions in dismantling and assembling the M-1 rifle.

DE T-5 advised that the aforementioned instructions were given to those in attendance by GENERAL BAKER who also made available the May, 1965, issue of a magazine entitled "BLACK VAN GUARD".

BAKER indicated that this magazine was the revolutionary leaflet that he had made reference to at previous meetings of the FWHC and that it was published by the local RAM group.

BAKER advised those in attendance that if they so desired they may become subscribers to this magazine.

An article appeared in this magazine bearing the caption "WHITE MAN LISTEN!", written by GENERAL BAKER, JR. to his local Selective Service Board and who is identified as a Chrysler Corporation worker. The article contains, in part, the following information:

The article concerns a notice received by GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR. from his Selective Service Board regarding his appearance at an examination station to determine his fitness for military service.

BAKER, in the letter, describes himself as being a black man living under the scope and influence of America's racist, decadent society.

BAKER is critical of American policy, both in the domestic and foreign fields, and refers to the alleged death of 10,000 Congolese patriots, which deaths resulted from the ruthless rape and plunder of the Congo by the United States.

BAKER describes himself as being a man of principles and values and indicates that the United States Army is an army of fools, assassins and morally delinquent cowards.

BAKER indicates that the Negroes of America are being exploited and suffering many injustices.

On June 16, 1965, DE T-5 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on June 13, 1965, at 13341 Livernois, Detroit.

DE T-5 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

RICHARD HENRY,

GENERAL GORDÓN BAKER.

VALES CROSSLEY,

JOHN H. JACKSON.

MARSHALL WILLIAMS.

GRETTA HENDERSON.

MAX HENDERSON.

DE T-5 further advised that an individual from Chicago, Illinois, by the name of JUAN STOKLEY came to this meeting in the company of BAKER, JACKSON and WILLIAMS. DE T-5 advised that STOKLEY was introduced as being a student and a close personal friend and associate of BAKER, WILLIAMS and JACKSON.

DE T-5 advised that the meeting was called to order by RICHARD HENRY, FWAC President, and HENRY indicated that he had recently been in contact with the "Deacons" at Bogalusa, Louisiana, and had been invited by the "Deacons" to come to Louisiana. The "Deacons" are allegedly an armed league of Negroes formed in the Bogalusa area, the purpose of the club being to defend against white terrorism in the South.

According to DE T-5, HENRY requested the club and the club membership to contribute funds to defray the cost of his trip. HENRY, however, did not indicate any date that he contemplated leaving on the trip and no decision was made by the club regarding a contribution to HENRY to defray the necessary expenses in connection with his travel.

HENRY also suggested that the club should consider having a rally at the Orchid Garden, Grand River and Joy Road, Detroit, sometime in July. The purpose of the rally would be to raise funds and the club could invite representatives of the "Deacons" from the Louisiana area as guests and speakers at the affair.

HENRY, in connection with this affair, suggested that each member should sell 20 to 25 tickets in order to make the affair a financial success.

DE T-5 further advised that after the conclusion of the FWFC meeting, members in attendance, including guest JUAN STOKLEY, went to the residence of an individual by the name of CHET CWENS located in the immediate Detroit area. OWENS, who is a gunsmith, gave the group a briefing on the M-1 carbine and zeroed in the weapons of GENERAL BAKER and VALES CROSSLEY.

On June 21, 1965, DE T-5 advised that a gathering of the FWHC was held on June 20, 1965, at 13341 Livernois, Detroit.

DE T-5 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

RICHARD HENRY,

JOHN JACKSON,

VALES CROSSLEY,

MAX HENDERSON,

GRETTA HENDERSON.

DE T-5 advised that the gathering was called to order by glub president, RICHARD HERRY, who indicated that a business meeting of the club would not be held inasmuch as club members were going to engage in rifle practice at the Hickory Ridge Range located at 23 Mile Road and Dequindre, outside the immediate Detroit area. However, according to DE T-5, RICHARD HENRY exhibited a letter which was addressed to a Mr. ROBERT HICKS of 924 East Ninth, Bogalusa, Louisiana. HENRY indicated that Mr. HICKS was connected with the "Deacons for Defense and Justice", which organization is an armed group of Negroes formed in the Bogalusa area, the purpose of which is to defend against white terrorism in the South. HENRY indicated in the letter that the FWHC was desirous of having a Mr. THOMAS (not furaher identified) or some other top representative of the "Deacons" come to the Detroit area for a mass rally, which rally would be sponsored by the FWHC. HENRY further indicated in the letter that the FWHC would be willing to defray the representative's expenses and further proposed that the proceeds derived from the rally would be divided between the "Deacons" and the FWHC.

HENRY further indicated in the letter that it would be a splendid opportunity for the "Deacons" to obtain support for their group in the North and, in

addition, it would help the people in the North to gain strength for the work that must be done in this area.

HENRY indicated that the club contemplated holding the rally on a Sunday afternoon sometime in the latter part of July and requested Mr. HICKS to advise if this was agreeable to him and whether Mr. THOMAS would be able to attend.

DE T-5 further advised that the group in attendance at this gathering left the Detroit area at approximately 12:30 P.M. and proceeded to the Hickory Ridge Range, at which location they were met by KEN BROOKS and CHET OWENS. The group participated in rifle practice at the range until approximately 2:30 P.M., during which practice CHET OWENS, who is not a member of the club, sighted in the rifles of VALES CROSSMEY and RICHARD HENRY.

On June 28, 1965, DE T-5 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on June 27, 1965, at the residence of club president, RICHARD HENRY, located at 4268 Clements, Detroit.

DE T-5 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

RICHARD HENRY,

VALES CROSSLEY,

GRETTA HENDERSON.

MAX HENDERSON.

The meeting was called to order by club president, RICHARD HENRY, who indicated that he had recently been in contact with representatives of the

"Deacons for Defense and Justice" at Bugelusa, Louisiana.

HENRY indicated that two representatives of the aforementioned organization are desirous of coming to the Detroit area to participate in a mass rally, which rally would be sponsored by the FWHC.

HENRY indicated that it would be necessary for the club to defray the expenses incurred by these individuals in connection with their travel to the Detroit area.

DE T-5 advised that HENRY requested club members present to contribute enough money to put a deposit on a hall in the Detroit area and also to contribute money at this time for travel expenses of the Deacon representatives coming to Detroit.

HENRY's suggestions regarding this matter were opposed by club members present and the club members indicated that they felt that the club was not in a financial position to undertake the sponsorship of such a mass rally.

On June 30, 1965, DE T-5 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on June 29, 1965, in the basement apartment of GENERAL GORDON BAKER at 1980 West Philadelphia, Detroit.

DE T-5 identified the following individuals as being in attendance at this meeting:

GENERAL BAKER,

MARSHALL WILLIAMS.

WALES CROSSLEY.

MAX HENDERSON.

GRETTA HENDERSON.

DE T-5 advised that two other individuals, namely JOHN WATSON and NATHANIEL SHRODER, were present at this meeting; however, neither are members of the club nor did they participate in the meeting.

DE T-5 advised that the meeting was called to order by GENERAL BAKER who indicated that he and his associates were unable to attend Sunday's meeting of the FWHC due to the fact that they were without transportation.

DE T-5 advised that BAKER and others in attendance at this meeting expressed dissatisfaction with the presidency of RICHARD HENRY in that he failed to attend meetings regularly and was attempting to utilize the club to further his own aims and purposes.

Those in attendance at this meeting agreed that RICHARD HENRY should be impeached from the presidency and GENERAL BAKER, at the suggestion of members in attendance, agreed to compose a letter containing their grievances against HENRY, which letter would be presented to HENRY at a meeting of the club, scheduled to be held on July 3, 1965.

DE T-5 advised that it was agreed that certain changes be made in the club constitution, which changes members present delegated GENERAL BAKER the authority to consummate.

It was further agreed at this meeting that a new application for membership in the National Rifle Association (NRA) would be submitted by the club and GENERAL BAKER indicated that he would make available the names of the individuals associated with him, which names could be included on the application for membership in the NRA.

DE T-5 advised that, at the suggestion of GENERAL BAKER, new officers for the club were elected at this meeting which are as follows:

President

JOHN JACKSON

Vice-President

MAX HENDERSON

Secretary

GRETTA HENDERSON

Treasurer

GENERAL BAKER

Training Officer

VALES CROSSLEY

DE T-5 advised that MARSHALL WILLIAMS indicated that he is going to obtain some literature to be utilized by the club in connection with their training.

According to DE T-5, GENERAL BAKER indicated to those present at this meeting that inasmuch as RICHARD HENRY and his associates were no longer officially members of the club, the club was now a part of his group.

DE T-5 advised that BAKER did not identify his group.

On July 13, 1965, DE T-5 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on July 11, 1965, at the residence of club president, RICHARD HENRY, located at 4268 Clements, Detroit.

DE T-5 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

RICHARD HENRY,

GENERAL GORDON BAKER, JR.,

MARSHALL WILLIAMS,

JOHN WATSON,

MAX HENDERSON,

GRETTA HENDERSON.

DE T-5 further advised that an individual by the name of MELVIN SHOWERS, a close friend of MAX and GRETTA HENDERSON, was in attendance at this meeting as a guest.

DE T-5 advised that the meeting was called to order by club president, RICHARD HENRY; however, before HENRY could make any statement, he was interrupted by GENERAL BAKER. GENERAL BAKER presented a letter containing the grievances of other club members against HENRY, and BAKER indicated that HENRY was no longer president of the club. The letter to HENRY, prepared by BAKER, indicated dissatisfaction on the part of other club members with HENRY in that he failed to attend meetings regularly, was behind in his dues, and was attempting to use the club to further his own aims and purposes.

DE T-5 advised that after HENRY read the letter aloud and was advised by GENERAL BAKER that he was no longer president or a member of the club, he, HENRY, became very angry.

HENRY indicated that he felt that the club had acted in a very underhanded manner in removing him from the presidency and from membership in the club, and HENRY nearly became engaged in a brawl with MARSHALL WILLIAMS over his removal.

DE T-5 advised that due to the attitude of HENRY, the meeting of the club was ordered terminated by GENERAL BAKER at which time those in attendance departed the HENRY residence.

DE T-5 advised that shortly after the meeting, BAKER indicated to several club members that he was glad that the club was rid of HENRY and that the club could now become a part of his group.

On July 26, 1965, DE T-5 advised that a meeting of the FWHC was held on July 25, 1965, at 2611 Gladstone, Detroit.

DE T-5 identified the following individuals as being among some of those in attendance at this meeting:

JOHN H. JACKSON,

JOHN WATSON.

VALES CROSSLEY.

GENERAL GORDON BAKER,

GRETTA HENDERSON.

MAX HENDERSON,

MARSHALL WILLIAMS.

According to DE T-5, this meeting was called to order by JOHN A. JACKSON at 12:00 noon.

The NRA Charter, for which the club plans to apply, was discussed and the application for same was completed, listing the names and addresses of the applicants for the club as JOHN JACKSON, 8710 Dumbarton, Detroit; MARSHALL WILLIAMS, 3024 Waverly, Detroit; JOHN WATSON, 544 Englewood, Detroit; RUFUS GRIFFIN, Apartment 9, 9040 Mackinaw, Detroit; and others.

During the meeting, MARSHALL WILLIAMS said that at the meeting planned for the next Sunday, a session will be held to show how a gun should be broken down.

GENERAL BAKER commented that his group is looking for a single house to rent instead of a flat.

The comment was also made that the FWHC should buy a reloading machine so that the members could load their own shells.