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MEMO ON NATIONAL BARAKA CAMPAIGN
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The Baraka campaign is a national campaign that is to be carried out by every local. The campaign should be viewed as an integral part of our assault on domestic CIA operations. What prevents NU-WRO and the RYM from sweeping thru the ghettos is the national network of Papa Doc machines, hired black nationalists, Fuentestype gauleiters. The Baraka campaign is a mobilization against all of these operations for which Baraka stands as the most credible figurehead.

The immediate objective is to expose & ultimately destroy Baraka's fascist machine in Newark. There is absolutely no way that we can organize, or even disseminate propaganda, in Newark without a ruthless national campaign. In that city our comrades face daily harassment, threats, attacks from Baraka's goons, from the police, from Karenga hitmen, and from numerous CIA operatives that stand behind Baraka and Imperiale. This is a police controlled city and the CIA has too much at stake to allow us the luxury of peaceful organizing. The only way in which our Newark members can be defended is thru a national campaign; by making our fight against Baraka a national issue in the ghettos and in all sections of the working class to which we have access. The only way that we can carry out the necessary 'mop-up' type retaliations without having massive frameups and arrests is to drive this ~~xxxxxxx~~ issue into the ghettos, the plants, the schools. The only possibility for organizing a machine to replace this fascist operation is a national campaign.

The following tasks will be implemented immediately and will be coordinated thru the Mass Work Task Force.

1. Press conferences will be held on orders from the MWTF publicizing the pamphlet and exposing the local papa doc-CIA operations in the ghetto.
2. Every attempt will be made to get coverage of the pamphlet and the campaign into the black press, black radio stations (or local radical stations that would pick this up).
3. All locals will build for a Baraka forum. In about 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ --3 weeks. (The schedule will be worked out by the MWTF in the next few days.) We will do about 30 forums in no more than 7-10 days throughout the country.
4. All locals will make sure that there is a drive to distribute the pamphlet. Pamphlets should not be stored away for the future. This has to be distributed now.

The Baraka campaign must be brought into NU-WRO. Our welfare-worker NU-WRO members and contacts must be made fully aware of the significance of this campaign. Further distribution of the pamphlet, organizing for the forums, etc. should be organized along with them.

6. Locals should consciously seek out contact with former Black Panthers, honest black nationalists (like George Jackson) who have refused to go on the government payroll. These individuals hate Baraka as much as we do but were too impotent politically to defeat him. We should ask that they collaborate with us in this campaign.

7. All locals should send intelligence on Baraka fronts in their area -- how many people, influence in ghetto, sphere of activities, opponents, etc. This intelligence gathering should be done from public sources with caution.