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FROM: MASS WORK
TO: ALL LOCALS
RE: BARAKA CAMPAIGN

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The nationwide blitz to expose Baraka-CIA organizing will begin Aug. 24 --Friday. Eight members will be traveling around the country conducting forums simultaneously to realize a maximum NATIONAL impact. A national leaflet will be mailed or phoned in to locals. These forums must be built for by intensive organizing several days previous to the day of the forum.

A steering committee member should be responsible for implementation.

1) In those locals which H A VEN 'T set up intelligence-gathering operations must do so immediately! Intelligence coordination should be carried out on campuses, in ghetto to communities among the black left, ~~etc.~~ etc. (Refer to Axios-Perlman memo) Investigation into Barak-type networks must be made but with caution. Try to set up meetings with INDIVIDUALS of Barak type and pump them for information. Either pose as an innocuous radical or interested sympathizer. Other methods can be employed. We must have a clear perspective in posing united fronts with anti-Baraka or neutral black groups. Perhaps joint operations with these groups around building for present forum or future ones could be INITIATED.

Scouting operations must be seen as preparing for a thrust on campuses specifically for the fall. Baraka's lifeline presently is located among the petit-bourgeois on campus. We can destroy the disease before it spreads. We want conversation reports with any significant anti-pro- or whatever Baraka response. A correct assessment of the subjective state of the ghetto in relationship to our general organizing thrust must be carried out rigorously.

DIRECT ORGANIZING

1) Organize a brigade-like formation to distribute and SELL the Baraka pamphlet and other literature announcing the forum throughout the ghetto. Where possible, youth should be organized to participate. Philly and Newark have successfully done this kind of organizing. It should continue and be carried out in a MILITARY fashion. Usually the downtown area, or main shopping area in the ghetto are best for this distribution.

2) PLAN TGATES--organize aggressively by selling Baraka literature either during normal distribution or a special one. This is a crucial organizing task for it is of essential necessity to educate our worker contacts to the nature of fascism. Discussion within the internal life of the organization itself must go on, otherwise our effectiveness in educating our peripheries and ourselves will be severely hampered and therefore limit our fight in the developing class war.

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