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Cesar Chavez & United

Farm Workers et al

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SUBJECT: Cesar Chavez

FILE: 105-157123

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, SACRAMENTO (62-78) (P)
Cesar Chavez
Cesar Chavez

SUBJECT: ~~██████████~~
 THREAT AGAINST THE PRESIDENT

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Re Sacramento teletype to Bureau, 6/14/68.

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau is the original and four copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning captioned threat against the President.

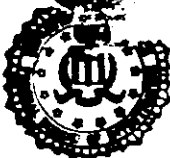
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Sacramento, California

June 14, 1968

[REDACTED]

On June 14, 1968, [REDACTED]
Kern County District Attorney's Office, Bakersfield, California, advised as follows:

He has been advised by Jerry Cohen, the attorney for the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), AFL - CIO, 102 Albany Street, Delano, California, who resides at 1731 Guiancy, Delano, to the effect that he had received information concerning a possible threat against the President of the United States. Mr. Cohen stated that on or about June 9, 1968, during the Kennedy memorial march held at Delano, one Juan Martinez was overheard to make a statement that Cesar Chavez was "going down soon" and that Chavez and President Johnson "are the only two left and they would be gotten." Mr. Chavez is the director of UFWOC. These statements by Martinez were reportedly overheard by Porferio Borna Montion, who resides at the Pete Valasco Camp in Richgrove, California, and Al Vasquez, who can be contacted through UFWOC.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] No further background information or descriptive data was known concerning this individual.

[REDACTED] stated that the above information has been made available to the Kern County Sheriff's Office, Bakersfield, and the Delano Police Department.

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JUAN MARTINEZ

Special Agent [REDACTED] United States Secret Service, Sacramento, California, was notified of the above information by Special Agent [REDACTED] at 11:43 A.M. on June 14, 1968.

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SAC, Los Angeles

6/5/69

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Director, FBI

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CESAR CHAVEZ
SM - MISC

Enclosed is one copy of a self-explanatory letter received from [REDACTED] who resides in your territory. It appears that this individual is identical with the

[REDACTED]

Unless there is information available to you dictating to the contrary, [REDACTED] should be contacted for the purpose of acknowledging receipt of the enclosure and obtaining any information he may have to furnish concerning Chavez who is known to your office. With regard to any inquiries [REDACTED] should make during the proposed contact, he should be advised of the confidential nature of information contained in Bufiles and this Bureau is not in a position to offer any recommendations to him.

Advise the Bureau of the results of your contact with [REDACTED] and make recommendations concerning any further action deemed desirable.

Enclosure
TJM:rsz
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NOTE:

[REDACTED] Chavez has been very active throughout the California area as a union leader in the grape pickers strike and demonstrations in that area.

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[REDACTED]
May 14th, 1969

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Ninth and Pennsylvania Avenues, N.W.,
Washington 25, District of Columbia

Dear Mr. Hoover:

When I was a teenager at East Saint Louis Senior High School in East Saint Louis, Illinois between the years of 1942 to January 1945, I on my own with my own common sense reported to the branch office of the F. B. I. at the East St. Louis, Illinois U. S. Post Office building about the Nazi headquarters there in the area at a home on Natalie Street. I was later told they moved to the Belleville area.

[REDACTED]
Before going, I assured the men that those attending were not planning to overthrow their government (I mean our good old U.S.A.. I went and attended the function. It was on a Sunday. There was no discussion of any kind from anyone there, or speeches made to overthrow the U.S. government.

Now, I want to report to you personally that Cesar Chavez and his so-called union want to overthrow our government through revolutionary changes. Last year I had to hear with my own ears from his communist cronies yelling into the vineyard from the road [REDACTED], "when we take over, the land will be ours".

Please investigate this man and his organization, and stop his overthrow of our American Flag with our government.

I also want to know whether the John Birch Society is a good organization to join. Please answer.

Also last week, one of my employees brought me a circular, which I will try to piece together again. After I read it and gave it back to him, he tore it up in my presence. I read that farmers were "exploiting" employees and getting rich. When the word exploit is used, that means communists at work! If you desire to contact me, please telephone my home at the number [REDACTED]. If you have some bureau man contact me, please tell him to contact my home first before coming to see me. I'd rather meet him in Indio at the office there. I have been trying for many weeks to contact the office, but was unsuccessful. No one answered the phone in Indio.

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I remain,

25 MAY 16 1969

Yours faithfully,

RESPONDENCE

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/11/69

WJW
7/11/69

SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-68501)(RUC)

WJW

SUBJECT: CESAR CHAVEZ
SM-MISCELLANEOUS
OO: Sacramento

Re Bureau letter to Los Angeles 6/5/69, which enclosed a letter from [redacted] who had written the Bureau advising he wanted to talk to an FBI Agent.

[redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted] on 6/27/69.

For the past several years CESAR CHAVEZ and the United Farm Workers Organization Committee (UFWOC) AFL-CIO, have been attempting to organize the farm laborers who worked in the grape harvest in the Coachella Valley as well as the Delano, California area. The grape growers have resisted such organization.

[redacted] was extremely concerned that CESAR CHAVEZ was a Nazi and he referred to similarities in statements attributed to CHAVEZ in the press and a book entitled, "Under Cover", written by JOHN RAY CARLSON in 1943. He also referred to material set out in the 1967 edition of the publication by the California Un-American Activities Committee.

[redacted] felt that CHAVEZ was an extremely dangerous person as he felt CHAVEZ wanted to overthrow the government through revolutionary means. [redacted] was asked if he had any specific or first hand knowledge of this and he stated that his conclusions were entirely based on what he had read in the press and the action taken by the Union in their attempt to organize the farm workers.

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[REDACTED] was advised of the confidential nature of the information contained in Bureau files and that the Bureau was not in a position to offer any recommendation to him. He understood this fully and stated he merely wanted to bring CHAVEZ to the attention of the FBI.

No further action with regard to [REDACTED] or information furnished by him is deemed necessary at this time.

Information copies of this furnished to Sacramento as CHAVEZ has his headquarters at Delano, California.

8-14-69

AIRTEL

To: SACs, WFO
Alexandria
Los Angeles
Sacramento
San Diego
San Francisco

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From: Director, FBI

PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM
SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ -
FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR -
CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS,
SYLVAN THEATRE, WASHINGTON, D. C.,
SEPTEMBER 7, 1969
INTERNAL SECURITY - MISCELLANEOUS

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ReWFOairtel and LHM 8-13-69, copies to recipient offices.

Bureau's interest in this matter should be confined to determining if subversive organizations and individuals are attempting to subvert the legitimate purposes of this demonstration. In addition, the Bureau has the responsibility of disseminating any information developed regarding any potential violence which might evolve from this activity. Recipient offices should confine inquiries and reporting on this matter to these categories. WFO should follow this activity and memoranda submitted concerning it must be in line with above instructions.

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NOTE:

WFO received information captioned organization will hold a commemoration program 8-7-69 expecting 5,000 people and they expect to hold religious services as close as possible to the grave of the late Robert F. Kennedy.

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California offices should furnish Bureau, Washington Field Office and Alexandria any pertinent information concerning proposed demonstration.

WFO following.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20535

August 13, 1969

Reply, Please Refer to
No.

PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM
SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ -
FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR -
CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS,
SYLVAN THEATRE, WASHINGTON, D. C.,
SEPTEMBER 7, 1969

On August 11, 1969, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], advised
as follows:

Superintendent William R. Failor, National Capitol
Parks, received a letter dated August 4, 1969, from Interna-
tional Group Plans, Incorporated, 1666 Connecticut Avenue,
N.W., W.D.C., requesting a permit to hold a "Commemoration
Program" on Sunday, September 7, 1969, at the Sylvan Theatre,
Washington Monment Grounds, W.D.C.

The writer of the letter, Mrs. Sylvia J. Laurenti,
informed Superintendent Failor that the sponsoring group
is the Cesar Chavez - Farm Workers Organizing Committee,
American Federation Of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organi-
zations (AFL-CIO). The commemoration would take place at the
Sylvan Theatre from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., after which the
group, which is expected to number some 5,000 persons, would
march across the Potomac and hold a mass as close as possible
to Senator Robert Kennedy's grave in Arlington National Cemetary,
Arlington, Virginia.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 11-17-80 BY SP3 [signature]

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ENCLOSURE

PROPOSED REMEMORATION PROGRAM
SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ

Mrs. Laurenti stated it is planned that Mrs. Ethel Kennedy would be the principal speaker "with other nationally prominent people involved".

Mrs. Laurenti indicated that she is representing the above group which is based at Delano, California.

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Date: 9/3/69

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-64194) (RUC)
SUBJECT: PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM
SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ
FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AFL-CIO, SYLVAN THEATER,
WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPTEMBER 7, 1969
IS - MISCELLANEOUS



Re Bureau airtel, dated 8/14/69.

The following sources (protect identities) on August 29, 1969, and September 3, 1969, advised they had not received any information concerning captioned matter:

(1) [Redacted]

(2) [Redacted]

(3) [Redacted]

(4) [Redacted]

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2 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Washington Field (AM) (RM)
2 - San Francisco
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Special Agent in Charge

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San Francisco will continue to remain alert for any information regarding captioned matter and will promptly notify the Bureau of pertinent developments.

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FBI

Date: 9/2/69

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ALEXANDRIA (100-150) (P)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM
SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ -
FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
AMERICAN FEDERAL OF LABOR -
CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS,
SYLVAN THEATRE, WASHINGTON, D.C.,
SEPTEMBER 7, 1969
INTERNAL SECURITY - MISCELLANEOUS

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[Redacted]

LHM

change of assignment for OSI, San Diego

Info action

9-5-69

Rec'd 9/4

Enclosed herewith are 11 copies to the Bureau and two (2) each to Los Angeles, San Diego, Sacramento, San Francisco, and WFO of an LHM suitable for dissemination captioned and dated as above.

Local dissemination of the LHM is being made to the United States Attorney, Secret Service, 116th MIG, OSI, and NISO.

Representative of Arlington National Cemetery is [Redacted]

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It is requested that all receiving offices furnish the Bureau, WFO, and Alexandria with any pertinent information developed concerning proposed demonstration.

EX-104 REC-24

On 8/28/69, [Redacted]

[Redacted] and [Redacted] were advised of the proposed commemoration by SA [Redacted]

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| 2 - Bureau (Encl. 11) | 2 - San Francisco (Encl. 2) (RM) |
| 2 - Los Angeles (Encl. 2) (RM) | 2 - WFO (Encl. 2) (RM) |
| 2 - Sacramento (Encl. 2) (RM) | 2 - Alexandria |
| 2 - San Diego (Encl. 2) (RM) | JHL:mlm (14) Per [Signature] |

Approved: _____ Sent _____
Special Agent in Charge

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AX 100-150 .

Alexandria will afford appropriate coverage
to the proposed ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Alexandria, Virginia

September 2, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RE: PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM
SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ -
FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR -
CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS,
SYLVAN THEATRE, WASHINGTON, D.C.
SEPTEMBER 7, 1969

On August 25, 1969, a representative of the Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia, advised that Arlington National Cemetery had received an application to hold a mass at the grave of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY in Arlington National Cemetery. The request was under the sponsorship of the CESAR CHAVEZ - FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR - CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS. The request advised that they wished to hold the mass on the afternoon of September 7, 1969.

The representative further advised that the request had been forwarded to the United States Army, who had turned down the request. He stated that the denial was on the basis that in order to hold a religious ceremony in Arlington National Cemetery, a family member of the deceased must sponsor the ceremony and also agree to be in attendance at the ceremony. He further stated there was no indication on the application of any such sponsorship.

The representative advised that on September 2, 1969, for a period of three weeks the grave of JOHN F. KENNEDY would be blocked off to public access due to

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SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ -
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necessary construction and repairs at the site of his grave. He stated that because of this, no one would be allowed within 30 feet of JOHN F. KENNEDY's grave.

The representative stated that as of this date, he had not received any further inquiry from the group.

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Date: 9/4/69

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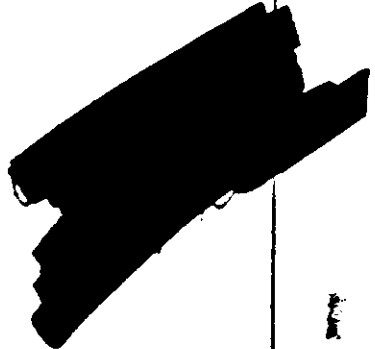
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

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FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-74196)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM
SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ-
FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR-
CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS,
SYLVAN THEATRE, WASHINGTON, D.C.,
SEPTEMBER 7, 1969;
INTERNAL SECURITY - MISCELLANEOUS

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Re Washington Field ¹⁰⁵⁻¹⁵⁷¹²³ airtel dated 8/13/69.

Informants in the Los Angeles area were canvassed for any information concerning any delegation from Los Angeles area attending the captioned function, with negative results.

The Los Angeles Office will continue to follow this matter and advise Bureau of any information indicating that a Los Angeles delegation will attend the Washington, D.C. program on 9/7/69.

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- 2 - Washington Field (RM)
- 2 - Los Angeles

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Date: 9/5/69

Mr. Mohr	
Mr. [unclear]	
Mr. [unclear]	
Tele. Room	
Miss Gandy	

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 (Type in plaintext or code)

Via TELETYPE DEFERRED
 (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, -FBI AND SAC, ALEXANDRIA

FROM: SAC, WFO (100-49908)

PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ-
 FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AMERICAN FEDERATION OF
 LABOR-CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS, SYLVAN THEATRE,
 WASHINGTON, D.C. SEPTEMBER SEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTY NINE;
 INTERNAL SECURITY-MISCELLANEOUS.

105-157123-4

RE BUREAU AIRTEL DATED AUGUST FOURTEEN, LAST.

ON INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ADVISED THAT NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN
 WORKED OUT WITH CAPTIONED GROUP FOR THEIR "FOURTH ANNIVERSARY
 PILGRIMAGE" TO WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC).

THE PILGRIMAGE IS BEING SPONSORED IN WDC, BY THE UNITED
 STATES LITURGICAL CONFERENCE AND THE WASHINGTON LAY ASSOCIA-

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- 3-Teletype Unit
- 2-WFO

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Local authorities & SS have been advised
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Approved: [Signature] Special Agent in Charge

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TION, ONE THOUSAND CONNECTICUT AVENUE, N. W., REPRESENTED BY ONE
~~FRANK L. D'NEILL~~. INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MET WITH PARK AUTHORITIES
ARE ONE ~~SYL HAMILTON~~ AND AN ~~ART SNEEKEY~~ WHO GAVE HIS TELEPHONE
~~NUMBER AS FIVE EIGHT NINE DASH NINE ZERO SIX TWO~~. THE LATTER
INDIVIDUALS HAVE SCALED DOWN THEIR ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF
PARTICIPANTS TO A MORE "REALISTIC" FIGURE OF FROM SEVEN HUNDRED
TO ONE THOUSAND.

THE GROUP HAVE A PERMIT TO USE SYLVAN THEATRE FROM TWO TO
FOUR P.M., SEPTEMBER SEVEN, NEXT, WHERE THEY HAVE INDICATED THEY
WILL HAVE SPEAKERS FROM CONGRESS, THE LABOR MOVEMENT, THE CHURCH
AND GRAPE STRIKE OFFICIALS.

SUBSEQUENTLY TELEPHONED ON INSTANT DATE TO
ADVISE THAT ~~ART SNEEKEY~~, PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED, TELEPHONED AT
TWO TWENTYFIVE P.M., INSTANT, TO ADVISE THAT THE CAPTIONED GROUP
HAVE CHANGED THEIR PLANS CONCERNING MARCHING TO ARLINGTON NATIONAL
CEMETERY. THEY NOW PLAN TO MARCH FROM THE SYLVAN THEATRE ALONG

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INDEPENDENCE AVENUE TO TENTH STREET, S. W., WHERE THEY WILL
CONCLUDE THEIR ACTIVITIES IN L'ENFANT PLAZA. ██████████ STATED
THAT THE FOLLOWING OFFICIALS HAVE CONFIRMED THAT THEY WILL
PARTICIPATE IN THE PILGRIMAGE:

REVEREND ANDREW YOUNG, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE; REPRESENTATIVE JAMES G. O'HARA OF MICHIGAN; PAT
GREATHOUSE, VICE PRESIDENT, UNITED AUTO WORKERS; REVEREND
CHANNING PHILLIPS, WASHINGTON, D. C.; J. C. TURNER, UNION
OFFICIAL FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.; MONSIGNOR GEORGE L. GINGRAS
REPRESENTING CARDINAL O'BOYLE FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF WASH-
INGTON, D. C.; FATHER JOHN CORRIGAN, CENTER FOR CHRISTIAN
RENEWAL, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND; FATHER RICHARD MC SORLEY,
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY. SHEEKEY STATED THAT CONGRESSMEN DON
EDWARDS AND PHILLIP BURTON OF CALIFORNIA MAY ALSO PARTICIPATE.

WFO WILL FOLLOW IN ACCORDANCE WITH BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS
SET FORTH IN RE AIRTEL.

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Special Agent in Charge

FBI

Date: 9/7/69

Transmit the following in PLAINTEXT

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Via TELETYPE

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO (100-49908)

PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ

FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR - CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS, SYLVAN THEATRE, WASHINGTON, D.C. SEPTEMBER SEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTY NINE; INTERNAL SECURITY - MISCELLANEOUS

AT TWO FIFTEEN P.M. INSTANT DATE A SPECIAL AGENT OF THE FBI OBSERVED A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY TWO TO THREE HUNDRED PEOPLE ASSEMBLED IN THE VICINITY OF THE SYLVIAN THEATRE, WASHINGTON MONUMENT GROUNDS, WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC). THE PURPOSE OF THIS ASSEMBLAGE, ACCORDING TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LABOR MOVEMENT, THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS, THE CLERGY AND CALIFORNIA GRAPE STRIKE OFFICIALS WHO SPOKE, WAS TO COMMEMORATE IN THE FORM OF A PILGRIMAGE TO WDC, THE FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CALIFORNIA GRAPE STRIKE AND TO SOLICIT SUPPORT FOR THE STRIKERS THROUGH THE BOYCOTTING OF THE PURCHASE OF CALIFORNIA GRAPES.

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1- Sacramento (Info) (AM) (REG)

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1- San Francisco (Info) (AM) (REG)

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Special Agent in Charge

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AT ABOUT THREE THIRTY P.M. INSTANT DATE THE GROUP DEPARTED THE
ABOVE AREA AND IN AN ORDERLY FASHION MARCHED TO THE VICINITY OF
L'ENFANT PLAZA, WDC WHERE AFTER SEVERAL SHORT PRAYERS RELATED TO
CAPTIONED MATTER THE GROUP HAD DISPERSED BY FOUR FORTY FIVE P.M. THIS
DATE.

NO INCIDENTS OCCURED AND NO ARRESTS WERE MADE DURING THIS AFFAIR.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE INFORMANTS AND SOURCES, FAMILIAR WITH
VARIOUS PHASES OF SUBVERSIVE AND RELATED ACTIVITY IN THE WDC AREA,
WHEN CONTACTED DURING SEPTEMBER, NINETEEN SIXTY NINE WERE UNABLE TO
FURNISH ANY INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE POSSIBLE SUBVERTING OF THE
LEGITIMATE PURPOSES OF THIS DEMONSTRATION NOR DID THEY FURNISH ANY
INFORMATION RELATING TO POSSIBLE VIOLENCE WHICH MIGHT EVOLVE FROM
THIS AFFAIR.

INTERESTED LOCAL AGENCIES COGNIZANT.

ADMINISTRATIVE.

REBUAIRTEL AUGUST FOURTEEN, LAST, COPIES TO RECIPIENT OFFICES,
AND WFO TEL TO BUREAU SEPTEMBER FIVE LAST.

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date:

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SA OF FBI WHO OBSERVED ACTIVITIES WAS [REDACTED] NEGATIVE
INFORMANTS MENTIONED HEREIN WERE: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

FOR THE BUREAU'S INFORMATION THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE U.S.
CONGRESS REFERRED TO PREVIOUSLY AS BEING SPEAKERS AT THIS AFFAIR
WERE REPRESENTATIVES JAMES G. O'HARA, MICHIGAN AND DON EDWARDS,
CALIFORNIA.

LOCAL DISSEMINATION TO AUSA, SECRET SERVICE AND MILITARY
INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES. MPD, WDC COGNIZANT.

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SAN FRANCISCO FOR INFORMATION AND TO ALEXANDRIA BY REGISTERED MAIL.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/15/69

FROM : SAC, ALEXANDRIA (100-150) -RUC-

SUBJECT: PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM
SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ--
AGRICULTURAL WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR--
CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS,
SYLVAN THEATER, WASHINGTON, D. C.,
9/7/69
IS - MISCELLANEOUS

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Re WFO teletype, 9/7/69.

On 9/5/69, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were recontacted by SA [REDACTED] and all advised that they had no further information concerning captioned event.

In view of the events surrounding captioned activity having previously occurred and being held within the territory of Washington Field only, no further investigation being conducted in this matter by Alexandria.

Information copies to all offices having conducted investigation in this matter.

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- 2 - Bureau
- 1 - Los Angeles (Info)
- 1 - Sacramento (Info)
- 1 - San Francisco (Info)
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Date: 9/15/69

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SAN DIEGO (100-14709) (RUC)

PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM
SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ -
FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR -
CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS,
SYLVAN THEATRE, WASHINGTON, D. C.,
SEPTEMBER 7, 1969;
INTERNAL SECURITY - MISCELLANEOUS
(OO: WFO)

Re Bureau airtel to WFO dated 8/14/69.

Confidential sources, generally cognizant of Communist Party activities and racial matters at San Diego, California, advised during late August and early September, 1969, that no information has come to their attention regarding delegates from this area visiting Washington, D. C. to participate in a commemorative demonstration on 9/7/69 at the Sylvan Theatre or at the Arlington National Cemetery.

- ② - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Alexandria (100-150) (RM)
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- 1 - Sacramento (RM)
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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/22/69

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-74196)(RUC)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM
SPONSORED BY CESAR CHAVEZ-FARM
WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AMERICAN
FEDERATION OF LABOR-CONGRESS OF
INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS, SYLVAN
THEATRE, WASHINGTON, D.C.,
SEPTEMBER 7, 1969;
INTERNAL SECURITY - MISCELLANEOUS
OO: Washington Field



Re Bureau airtel dated 8/14/69.

Confidential sources and informants who are aware of Communist Party and racial activities in the Los Angeles, California area have advised that they know of no delegates from the Los Angeles area having visited captioned event in Washington, D.C.

- ② - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Alexandria (100-150)(RM)
- 1 - Sacramento (RM)
- 1 - San Francisco (RM)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, LOS ANGELES AND SAC, SAN DIEGO

FROM: SAC, WFO

CHANGED. UNITED FARM WORKER'S ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
 AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR DASH CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL
 ORGANIZATIONS; INFORMATION CONCERNING DASH INTERNAL SECURITY
 RE TEL DATED SEPTEMBER SEVEN, LAST, AT WASHINGTON, D.C.,
 CAPTIONED, QUOTE PROPOSED COMMEMORATION PROGRAM SPONSORED BY
 CESAR CHAVEZ DASH FARM WORKER'S ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AMERICAN
 FEDERATION OF LABOR - CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS,
 SYLVAN THEATRE, WASHINGTON, D.C., SEPTEMBER SEVEN, SIXTY-NINE;
 INTERNAL SECURITY - MISCELLANEOUS. UNQUOTE.

FOR INFORMATION ON INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED RECEIPT OF FLYER ANNOUNCING THAT UNITED FARM
 WORKER'S ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR -
 CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS, WILL SPONSOR A PROGRAM
 TO BE HELD AT WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL, WISCONSIN AVENUE

- ② - Bureau To White House, AG, Secret Service,
- 3 - Teletype Unit CIA, State, ACSI, OSI, DIA, Vice
- 2 - WFO (100-49908) President by tel. CC's of White
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AND WOODLEY ROAD, NORTHWEST, WASHINGTON, D.C. ON SUNDAY
EVENING, SEPTEMBER TWENTY-EIGHT, NEXT, EIGHT, P.M. SPEAKERS
WILL BE CESAR CHAVEZ, SENATOR WALTER F. MONDALE PAREN, DEMOCRAT
DASH FARM DASH LABOR CLOSE PAREN OF MINNESOTA AND MRS. ROBERT
KENNEDY.

ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER THIRTY, NEXT, A QUOTE SURPRISE DASH
IN UNQUOTE WILL BE HELD AT THE CHURCH OF THE REFORMATION, TWO
ONE TWO EAST CAPTAL STREET, WHICH WILL BEGIN AT TEN P.M.,
AND WILL BE TWENTY-ONE HOURS LONG. PARTICIPANTS WILL SLEEP
IN NEIGHTBORING CHURCHES. QUOTE VERY EARLY IN THE MORNING
CESAR WILL LEAD US TO SURPRISE DESTINATION TO DEMONSTATE.
SUPPORTERS NEEDED AT PICKET LINE DASH BOYCOTT EVENT ALL DAY
LONG DASH IF YOU CANNOT COME OVERNIGHT, COME ANYTIME WEDNESDAY,
ESPECIALLY SIX A.M. TO NINE A.M. CALL FIVE FOUR SEVEN - FOUR
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SECOND QUOTE BIG RALLY UNQUOTE WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER ONE, NEXT, FROM SIX P.M. TO SEVEN THIRTY P.M. AT TWO ONE TWO EAST CAPITAL STREET.

LOCAL INTERESTED AGENCIES ARE COGNIZANT. WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE WILL NOT COVER, UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY BY BUREAU. RUC.

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Special Agent in Charge

Memorandum

TO :DIRECTOR, FBI (105-197022)

DATE: 12/4/69

FROM :SAC, EL PASO (105-2053) (P)

SUBJECT: NEXICAN-AMERICAN MILITANCY
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ReBulet to AQ, 9/26/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Copies of this LHM have been disseminated locally to U. S. Secret Service, El Paso; G-2 and 112th MI Group, Ft. Bliss, Texas; OSI, Biggs Field, Texas; and NISO, New Orleans, Louisiana.

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AT EL PASO, TEXAS:

Follow and report additional developments in this matter.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

202 U. S. Court House

El Paso, Texas 79901

December 4, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

MEXICAN-AMERICAN MILITANCY
INTERNAL SECURITY - SPANISH AMERICAN

On December 3, 1969, EP T-1 advised as follows:

On the night of December 2, 1969, about 500 people, most of whom were Mexican-Americans, gathered at Bowie High School on the south side of El Paso, Texas, to attend a meeting called at the request of the Board of Commissioners of the El Paso Housing Authority. Mayor Peter de Wetter and members of the City Council were present at the meeting. During the proceedings, Mr. Cesar Chavez, Union Leader of the National Farm Workers Association, from California, made an appearance and was granted permission to speak by Mayor de Wetter. The Mexican-American people became very emotional and gave Chavez a tremendous ovation.

The above mentioned meeting was held for the purpose of giving the people of El Paso an opportunity to discuss with the members of the El Paso Housing Authority the complaints they had to register against the Housing Authority. It had nothing to do with the efforts of Cesar Chavez to expand the grape boycott throughout the country. Chavez said only a few words and made no effort to propagandize his grape boycott, but the Mexican-American people present responded very favorably to Chavez.

The wife of Cesar Chavez made the comment in private that they could see the "Chicano movement" developing more and more wherever they went throughout the United States. Activist Mexican-American groups seem to be drawn to Cesar Chavez, have attempted to ride on his coattails, and then become more outspoken.

An example of this occurred at the above mentioned meeting at Bowie High School when young Mexican-Americans connected with the Mexican-American Youth Association (MAYA),

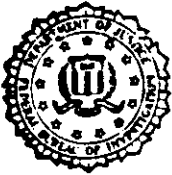
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MEXICAN-AMERICAN MILITANCY

a group of young Mexican-American activists on El Paso's south side, took over the podium and called for Cesar Chavez to speak to those gathered at the meeting, even though the meeting had nothing to do with Chavez' grape boycott.

Chavez was asked about his position on the subject of violence, at which time he said that he was for non-violence in Vietnam or any other war, was against violence in the streets or in any other shape or form. Chavez said that it takes a lot of discipline to follow his recommended course of action. He said people have to be "militant" but they also have to be on the defensive because they should not hit back with violence. Chavez said that all that they had were their lives, and that there was no reason for violence taking place between people.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

202 U. S. Court House
El Paso, Texas 69901
December 4, 1969

Title	MEXICAN-AMERICAN MILITANCY
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - SPANISH AMERICAN
Reference	Letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above

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March 17, 1970

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My dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of March 16th has been received.

While I would like to be of assistance to you, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained confidential pursuant to regulations of the Department of Justice. I regret I cannot be of help to you in this instance.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Bufiles reveal we have had prior cordial correspondence with [REDACTED] Cesar Estrada Chavez was the subject of a special inquiry investigation during 1966 which was discontinued at the request of the White House. He is the Director of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee formerly the National Farm Workers Association, which went on strike against agricultural growers in the Delano, Calif. area in September, 1965, and is the subject of a Security Matter Investigation. He has been called a communist although this has not been corroborated. He reportedly associated with "left-wing" type individuals and allegedly distributed copies of "People's World", a west coast communist newspaper, in charge from his Delano office. (8-48861, 105-157123, 105-157123-01-4719).

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March 10, 1970

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Do you have any printed information on the
Chauvez grape boycott? We are having some pretty
hot discussions here about it.

Has Chauvez communist ties?

Is he really helping the workers?

Thank you for any information you may send
me. You have always been so very kind and helpful.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

[Redacted address]

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Mr. Hoover

FBI Headquarters

Washington, D.C. 20535

[Redacted return address]



Farmworkers' union pushes on

NEW YORK — Monopoly's fleeting headaches promise to turn into migraines as the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) continues to organize in California and then sweep over the landscape of this country.

Cesar Chavez had pledged, and so far he has been true to his word, that the UFWOC will forge "one single union for the farmworkers of the United States."

Monopoly, which has been running rampant over the lives of farmworkers, suddenly confronted the first real obstacle in recent history in the farms of Delano, California, five years ago.

The grape fields must be organized. The strike is on. The weapon of the boycott is used against Safeway. People soon learn that Safeway, the second largest food chain in the U.S., continues to carry scab grapes precisely because it is one of the largest farm owners in California. For a while, there is a drive not to

bank at Bank of America, the biggest bank in the world, which owns considerable land in the valley. And Southern Pacific Railroad, people are told, has land amounting to 20,000,000 acres by virtue of early land grabs.

So, the public slowly becomes educated. It learns that the growers are not the horny-handed sons and daughters of the land. Behind every large farm there is a large corporation or bank, the directors of which are interlocking.

For example, J.G. Boswell, member of the Safeway Board of Directors, is also a member of the board of directors of J.G. Boswell Co., Boston Ranch, Crockett Gambody, Tulare Lake Land Co., and Miller & Lux, all of which own farmland in the rich valleys of California.

While there are some family-owned farms, the dominant control rests in the hands of the large financial interests.

The public also learns that the farmworkers, by and large colored peoples, make meager wages, live in hovels fit only for rats, are denied the right to health and unemployment insurance, are regularly subjected to the careless spraying of pesticides that endanger their families' lives.

Agri-business is regularly making its super-profits at the expense of the workers' welfare and collecting its government subsidies for not growing crops, taking out of the mouths of the poor.

J. G. Boswell and Co. alone received \$4,091,818 in subsidies in 1967.

But the public will soon learn that the victory of the farmworkers in California will be like a flame in a dry valley. It will spread until it catches the imagination of the farmworkers in all ranches in this country and one single farmworkers union is forged from California to New York to Florida.



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Cesar Chavez

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TO DIRECTOR

NEW YORK

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FROM CINCINNATI 1P

APPEARANCE OF CESAR CHAVEZ IN CINCINNATI, OHIO ON NOVEMBER TWENTY
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ON NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT

~~REDACTED~~ TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT CESAR CHAVEZ, HEAD OF THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (AFL-CIO) KNOWN AS UFWOC, ARRIVED IN CINCINNATI ON FRIDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER TWENTYSEVEN LAST AND HUDDLED WITH LOCAL SUPPORTERS TO PLAN THE NEXT MOVE AGAINST THE KROGER COMPANY'S REFUSAL TO BUY UNION PICKED LETTUCE. HE ADVISED CHAVEZ WAS TO ATTEND MASS AND RECEIVE AN AWARD AT SIX THIRTY AM ON NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT IN ST. FRANCIS CHURCH, CINCINNATI, OHIO. HE STATED CHAVEZ WOULD BE GUEST OF AFL-CIO LOCAL COUNCIL BREAKFAST AT THE HOTEL SHERATON GIBSON AT SEVEN THIRTY AM AND AT NINE AM CHAVEZ WAS TO SPEAK TO SUPPORTERS AT KROGER COMPANY BUILDING DOWNTOWN.

~~REDACTED~~ ADVISED CHAVEZ PLANNED TO FLY TO NEW YORK AFTERWARDS. **REC-2** 105-157-3-15
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CHAVEZ ORDERED FREED BY COURT

His Appeal on Contempt Is
to Be Heard on Coast

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23
(UPI)—The state Supreme Court
today ordered the release of
Cesar Chavez, jailed since Dec.
4 for contempt of court.

The court voted to hear Mr.
Chavez's appeal and released
him pending the outcome of
that hearing.

Mr. Chavez, head of the
United Farm Workers Organiz-
ing Committee, was ordered
jailed by Superior Court Judge
Gordon Campbell of Monterey
County. He had refused to obey
Judge Campbell's injunction
against a boycott effort aimed
at a Salinas grower, Bud Antle,
who has a long-standing con-
tract with the rival teamsters
union.

The high court's ruling tem-
porarily stayed Judge Camp-
bell's injunction "except as to
those parts which prohibit the
union from representing the
Antle workers already under
teamster contract."

Mr. Chavez was ordered re-
leased without bail pending the
Supreme Court's hearing. No
date for the hearing was an-
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Chavez at work

By Whitney Young Jr.

As I write this, Cesar Chavez is in a California jail for contempt of court. He refused to call off a nationwide boycott of iceberg lettuce produced by growers who don't recognize his union.

It's the great grape strike all over again. Some years ago Chavez organized a union for the exploited farm workers in the West, mostly Mexican-Americans, Filipinos, and other minorities. After a long and bitter struggle marked by Chavez' own saintly personality and the tremendous support given him by people all over the country who refused to buy non-union grapes, the growers finally gave in and signed a union contract.

Now the union, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (AFL-CIO), is trying to organize growers of iceberg lettuce.

This time the issue is more complicated because some growers have signed up with a rival union, against the wishes of many workers. This makes it technically a jurisdictional dispute, so a strike is outlawed.

VIOLENCE has also reared its ugly head, with attacks on strikers and their supporters. Beatings have been common. Attorneys for the workers have been threatened. Few arrests have been made—and apparently the "law and order" supporters who cheer Chavez' jailing on contempt charges don't consider physical assaults a crime.

The UFWOC seeks better wages for the workers, but that isn't the only issue, especially since the rival union also negotiated salary increases. One demand is for ranch hiring halls so that people can apply for work directly, instead of being at the mercy of labor contractors, who pocket some of the wages of the workers. The union also wants growers to provide food and housing, now sold at exorbitant rates to the farm workers. It also wants to restrict use of poisonous sprays.

Basically what the union seeks is dignity for its members—the right to be treated as free workers and not as virtual serfs.

IT IS WHAT all unions have sought and won for their members, and there is no reason for farm owners to consider themselves and their workers a breed apart, and refuse to unionize the way other employers have done.

The grape growers have found that their worst fears were not realized; that the farm workers' union led to higher labor costs but also to a happier, more stable, more productive work force.

The UFWOC's insignia, a black eagle, appears on iceberg lettuce or the crates in which it is packed. It is a way to tell that the lettuce you buy was picked on farms that have signed union contracts with the UFWOC.

I have little doubt that whatever the powerful men who control the ranches and the court say, the boycott will continue until victory is won. The union certainly has no intention of calling it off, and the many millions of people who supported the grape boycott can be counted upon to support this one, too.

But aside from its importance to the unorganized, poverty-stricken farm workers, Cesar Chavez' movement has immense importance for the whole labor movement.

THERE IS NO question about labor's diminishing influence among the young and the liberal. Its top leaders have supported the war in Vietnam, some unions still discriminate against black workers, and many people believe that labor has become part of the Establishment.

But the fervor roused by the farm workers of California, the garbage workers of Memphis, and the hospital workers elsewhere shows that labor's real glory days are still ahead.

By organizing the unorganized and by bringing skills and higher wages for those in our society who are most oppressed, the labor movement can recapture the crusading spirit that helped end industrial exploitation in the past and helped to bring a better life for the working millions.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

Cincinnati Enquirer
Cincinnati, Ohio

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Times Star
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The Citizens Journal
Columbus, Ohio

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Columbus, Ohio

Dayton Daily News
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Journal Herald
Dayton, Ohio

Date: 12/17/70
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Author: Whitney Young, Jr.
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CESAR CHAVEZ UNJUSTLY JAILED



On December 4, 1970, a Salinas, California, court ordered Cesar Chavez to jail until he called off the national lettuce boycott. The injunction that sent him to jail was obtained by Bud Antle Farms, Inc. The injunction was appealed as unconstitutional. But the same court refused to stay the injunction until Mr. Chavez posted a \$2.75-million bond.

Cesar Chavez is the man who has received national awards for outstanding service and leadership. Senator Robert F. Kennedy, a few weeks before his tragic death, said that Cesar Chavez is "one of the heroic figures of our times." Six days before his jailing, while visiting Cincinnati, Mr. Chavez received the St. Francis of Assisi Peace Plaque from the Franciscan Religious Order in its "Campaign for Positive Moral Leadership." All of the honors given to Cesar Chavez are for his non-violent organizing of farm workers.

- (Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)
- Cincinnati Enquirer
Cincinnati, Ohio
 - 95 Cincinnati Post &
Times Star
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 - The Citizens Journal
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 - Columbus Dispatch
Columbus, Ohio
 - Dayton Daily News
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 - Journal Herald
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Since 1962, Cesar Chavez has been creating the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO, to bring American farm workers out of a century of poverty and paternalism.

Farm workers feed America and in return receive the lowest wage (\$2700 a year—family income), the most miserable and hazardous working conditions (300% higher accident rate, poisoning from pesticides), and a life expectancy of 49 years—21 years less than anyone else.

Deliberately excluded from the protection of the National Labor Relations Act of 1935, farm workers are forced to resort to strike and boycott to obtain the right to fair wages and safe working conditions.

Most conglomerate growers refuse to talk with farm workers about their rights. On September 16, 1970, a Salinas, California, court ordered farm workers to stop strike activities. Now the same court has ordered an end to the lettuce boycott and the imprisonment of Cesar Chavez, the director of their union. Confronted with such unjust court action, can anyone doubt the existence of a power bloc against farm workers' rights?

Some say this lettuce strike and boycott is a fight between two unions. The fact is: the dispute between the two unions has been settled for months. A definite statement of that settlement came at the October 26, 1970, meeting between AFL-CIO President George Meany and Frank Fitzsimmons, acting President of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. According to the October 27, 1970, LOS ANGELES TIMES, "The Teamsters will stay in the area they have been active in for years, and the Farm Workers Union will stay with the field workers." The teamsters' position now is not to sign any more contracts covering field workers, to give recisions of their contracts to any grower who asks for them, and to refrain from any enforcement of field-worker contracts.

This struggle, then, like the grape strike and boycott which the farm workers won with the help of citizens across the nation, is against corporate growers and their powerful political and economic allies. Where do you stand in this moral issue of human rights?

PLEASE SUPPORT THE BOYCOTT OF LETTUCE FROM CALIFORNIA, ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO WHICH DOES NOT BEAR THE UNITED FARM WORKERS' AZTEC EAGLE UNION LABEL



If you want more information, contact:
CINCINNATI CITIZENS FOR THE UNITED FARM WORKERS
1015 Vine Street, Rm. 706 Phone: 421-1046, 621-3432
Karl Friel, Chrm. — Rev. John Bank, Mercedes Valdez and George Sheridan, UFWOC Staff



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\$225,000 FUND GIVEN TO CHAVEZ CENTERS

A \$225,000 grant to support efforts for improving the economic and social conditions of Mexican - American migrant farm workers in the West and Southwest was announced yesterday by the Ford Foundation.

The grant—to the Center for Community Change, which is based in Washington, D.C.—will help finance seven farm workers' service centers established by the directors of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, Cesar Chavez. Mr. Chavez was jailed 10 days ago in Salinas, Calif., for refusing to obey a court order issued there that directed him to end a lettuce boycott in Salinas.

The centers advise 7,000 Mexican - American laborers monthly on such matters as welfare and social security benefits, the filing of tax returns and wage claims, and protection of civil rights.

The grant also will be used to expand legal efforts to protect farm workers' health and safety.

"Farm workers," the foundation announcement said, "are among the nation's most disadvantaged citizens. They are not covered by the National Labor Relations Act, they are often not eligible for welfare, Medicaid, or unemployment benefits, and they are frequently housed in inadequate private housing or labor camps. Many suffer from malnutrition."

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A Peaceful Vigil Kept For Chavez

Salinas, Monterey county
 Farm Workers Union members continued their peaceful vigil for Cesar Chavez yesterday while his attorneys planned their appeal of his conviction for contempt of court.

Jerome Cohen, general counsel for the union, said he hopes to nullify Superior Court Judge Gordon Campbell's decree that Chavez must remain in jail until he calls off a nationwide boycott of lettuce grown by Bud Antle Inc.

"This transcript is a legal goldmine," Cohen said. Only the first part of Friday's hearing was available yesterday, however, and Cohen said it probably would be the end of the week before an appeal can be filed.

EXEMPT

Judge Campbell sentenced Chavez to jail after ruling the 43-year-old farm labor leader "wilfully" disobeyed an October 8 order to exempt Antle lettuce from the boycott, which affects all lettuce not picked by his union.

Antle has had a Teamsters contract since 1961, and the courts in Salinas have ruled the Farm Workers Union is engaged in an illegal jurisdictional battle.

The union appealed the "jurisdictional strike" ruling and contended Judge Campbell's subsequent orders are unconstitutional.

About 25 union members

and supporters demonstrated yesterday at a shrine across the street from the county jail where Chavez is held.

The activity had none of the acrimony which marked the vigil and counter-picketing by grower supporters Sunday when Mrs. Ethel Kennedy, widow of Robert Kennedy, visited Chavez in the jail.

In Cambridge, yesterday, Harvard University announced that its dining halls will serve only the Farm Workers Union lettuce.

Our Correspondent

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Ethel Braves Catcalls on Chavez Visit

Special to The Examiner

SALINAS — Mrs. Ethel Kennedy, widow of Sen. Robert Kennedy, braved a deluge of catcalls and boos here yesterday to visit jailed farm labor leader Cesar Chavez.

Her face showing concern over a potentially serious confrontation involving assembled farm worker supporters of Chavez and about 40 supporters of anti-Chavez growers, Mrs. Kennedy was escorted to Chavez' cell by Olympic decathlon star Rafer Johnson and Salinas police.

Chavez was jailed Friday by Superior Judge Gordon Campbell for ignoring an injunction enjoining him and the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee from boycotting the lettuce of Bud Antle, Inc.

The UFWOC is seeking to represent employes of Antle who has had a labor contract with Teamsters Local 890 since May, 1961. Antle's Salinas operation is the world's second largest lettuce producer.

Mrs. Kennedy appeared at the two and one-half hour vigil and marched in a candlelight parade to Monterey County Jail. Her appearance lasted less than one hour.

The late Sen. Kennedy was a staunch supporter of Chavez during the successful grape strike and boycott which ended in victory for the UFWOC.

The 400 supporters of anti-union growers sang "America The Beautiful" and the "Battle Hymn of the

Republic" as the procession including Mrs. Kennedy marched toward the jail.

Signs critical of an insulting to the Kennedys were prominent among the crowd of anti-union people.

"Kennedys are jailbirds," read one sign.

"Chappaquiddick, now Salinas," read another — in reference to the tragedy involving Sen. Edward Kennedy and Miss Mary Jo Kopechne.

"Reds Lettuce Alone" and "Carpetbaggers," were two others.

There were no serious incidents during the march or demonstration by anti-union forces.

One brick was thrown against an auto belonging to John Green, an agricultural chemical salesman who supported the anti-union growers.

Mrs. Kennedy, who spent the earlier part of the weekend in San Francisco, wore a navy pants suit, white turtle-neck and white walking shoes.

Chavez has vowed he will continue to direct the lettuce boycott in defiance of the court.

Union leaders outside the jail termed Mrs. Kennedy's visit in support of Chavez a tremendous boost for the UFWOC campaign.

Mrs. Kennedy's stay in San Francisco also included a visit to the Mission District and talks with Indian leaders involved in the occupation of

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Ethel Kennedy (right) and Dolores Huerta (center) in yesterday's vigil at Salinas

—AP Photo

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/28/70

SAC, CINCINNATI (100-19287) (RUC)

SUBJECT: APPEARANCE CESAR CHAVEZ
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Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM captioned as above and suitable for dissemination. Information copies of this LHM are being furnished to the New York and San Francisco Offices. New York has previously received information in this regard and local newspaper authorities advise that CESAR CHAVEZ was recently arrested in Salinas, California, for contempt of court and an information copy is being furnished to that office.

Since no further leads remain outstanding in this matter in the Cincinnati Division, this case will be considered RUC.

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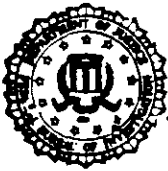
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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Cincinnati, Ohio
December 28, 1970

RE: APPEARANCE OF CESAR CHAVEZ
IN CINCINNATI, OHIO ON
NOVEMBER 27-28, 1970
REGARDING KROGER COMPANY'S
REFUSAL TO BUY UNION PICKED LETTUCE

On November 28, 1970, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that Cesar Chavez, head of the United Farm Workers' Organizing Committee (AFL-CIO), arrived in Cincinnati on Friday night, November 27, 1970 and huddled with local supporters to plan the next move against the Kroger Company's refusal to buy union picked lettuce. He advised Chavez was to attend mass and receive an award at 6:30 AM on November 28, 1970 in St. Francis Church, Cincinnati, Ohio. He stated Chavez would be a guest of the AFL-CIO Local Council breakfast at the Hotel Sheraton-Gibson at 7:30 AM and at 9:00 AM, Chavez was to speak to supporters at Kroger Company building downtown. He stated Chavez was planning to fly to New York afterwards.

The "Cincinnati Enquirer", a daily newspaper published in Cincinnati, Ohio, published an article in its edition on November 28, 1970, captioned: "Lettuce picket leader visits to bend Kroger". This article stated that Cesar Chavez arrived in Cincinnati Friday night with cheers, hugs and hand clasps and immediately went into a huddle with local supporters to plan the next move against the Kroger Company's refusal to buy union picked lettuce. This article further advised that Chavez heads the United Farm Workers' Organizing Committee, known as UFWOC.

Above article went on to quote Chavez as saying, "We go where the workers demonstrate they are helping themselves and want us, too."

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In this article, Chavez went on to say that union endorsements have been a big factor, but the American Catholic Bishops have helped, too, as mediators. According to this article, Chavez said: "They bent some grower's arms . . . but we've also been the victim of arm-twisting by the bishops."

Above article concluded by saying that "Chavez will attend mass at 6:30 AM today in St. Francis Church, Liberty and Vine Streets, then be the guest of an AFL-CIO Labor Council breakfast at 7:30 AM." This article went on to state that at 9:00 AM, Chavez was to speak to supporters at the Kroger Company building downtown and would fly to New York afterwards.

The "Cincinnati Post and Times Star", a daily newspaper in circulation in Cincinnati, Ohio in its issue of November 28, 1970, carried an article captioned: "Chavez joins lettuce pickets here." This article stated that Cesar Chavez, surrounded by 120 picket-carrying supporters on the Kroger Company front sidewalk, challenged the Cincinnati-based grocery firm to live up to its moral responsibilities and not sell lettuce from non-union growers.

This article went on to state that Chavez flew into Cincinnati on November 27, 1970 from California Headquarters of the United Farm Workers. This article further related that Chavez addressed a breakfast crowd of 250 earlier November 28, 1970 in the Roof Garden of the Sheraton-Gibson Hotel. The article stated that proceeds from the \$5 a plate breakfast (\$2.50 for students) go to the Cincinnati Citizens For United Farm Workers, the group which supplied pickets for the march. This article stated that Chavez at the breakfast, traced the history of the California farm worker and his problem, namely, poor living conditions, low unemployment benefits, and health insurance.

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This article went on to say that Chavez mentioned that change comes only at a very high price and that: "We wish and sing and pray, but we also picket a heck of a lot." This article further indicated that Chavez characterized his union efforts as non-violent and said there was something about non-violence, that attracts people, nice people. This article concluded by stating that Chavez was due in New York City, November 28, 1970.

On December 10, 1970, [REDACTED] advised that about 125 individuals left the Sheraton-Gibson Hotel on Saturday morning, November 28, 1970 with Cesar Chavez and they proceeded to march in an orderly fashion on the sidewalk to the Kroger Company building downtown. He stated this group stayed on the sidewalk, walked in a peaceful manner and obeyed all traffic signals while en route to the Kroger Building. In conclusion he advised that there were no incidents of violence as a result of Cesar Chavez being in Cincinnati, Ohio.

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Pentagon lettuce protest to continue

Richard Chavez, vice president of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO, says supporters of the nationwide UFW lettuce boycott will continue to picket military installations across the country to discourage the Pentagon from buying non-union-picked lettuce.

Chavez, brother of UFW head, Cesar Chavez, said in an interview yesterday at AFL-CIO headquarters in the Railway Clerks Building the military is responsible for the continuing boycott.

"We would probably have Antle (Bud Antle Inc., of Salinas, Cal., a major lettuce grower and prime target of the boycott) on the contracts now," he said, "but the military bailed them out."

CHAVEZ SAID since the five-month boycott began, the Pentagon has tripled its direct lettuce purchases from Antle.

And they are paying al-

most twice as much as they should for it," he said.

The UFW has filed suit in U. S. District Court in Los Angeles against Defense Secretary Melvin Laird.

The suit says there is a "conspiracy" to increase the purchases of Antle lettuce by the Pentagon. It points out that on Dec. 15 the Defense Subsistence Command bought 49,320 pounds of Antle lettuce at \$5.54 a crate in Los Angeles, when the market quotation that day in the city for the highest quality wrapped lettuce was \$3.50 a crate.

CHAVEZ ESTIMATED that his committee has picketed between 20 and 30 major military bases in the United States. Thus far, he said, the results of the protests have been slim.

No military base purchasing policies have been changed but "we have had meetings with commanding officers to discuss the issue as with the grape boycott," he said.

Chavez said the boycott was "shaping up pretty good . . . and I am confident we will have the same result as with the grape boycott."

The 41-year-old union leader spoke at the luncheon yesterday of the Ohio Pastors Convention in Columbus. He met with the Cincinnati Citizens for United Farm Workers last night at St. John Unitarian Church.

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Chavez Files Suit To Curb Army's Lettuce Buying

NEW YORK (UPI) — Labor activist Cesar Chavez has filed suit against the Defense Department an attend to prevent it from buying lettuce produced by a firm boycotted by farm workers.

The suit, which names Defense Secretary Melvin R. Laird and the commander of the Ft. Hamilton, Brooklyn, Army base, charges the Defense Department with buying lettuce from the Bud Antle Co. in order to help the company break the union boycott.

Chavez, head of the United Farm Workers Union, who led a successful boycott of California grapes, announced filing the suit in U.S. District Court and said it would be the first in a series of legal actions against the Army for purchasing "scab lettuce."

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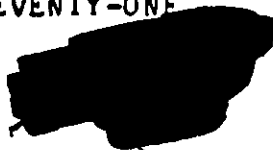
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APPEARANCE OF CESAR CHAVEZ, AUSTIN, TEXAS, FEBRUARY SIX SEVENTY-ONE
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A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN
PAST ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT CESAR CHAVEZ, LEADER OF UNITED FARM
WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE- AFL/CIO, SPOKE BEFORE FIFTEEN HUNDRED
INDIVIDUALS AT THE MONTOPOLIS COMMUNITY CENTER, AUSTIN, TEXAS,
THIS DATE. CHAVEZ WAS ONE OF MANY SPEAKERS WHO APPEARED TO URGE
SUPPORT OF THE LABOR STRIKE (CHICANO HUELGA) AND BOYCOTT OF THE
ECONOMY FURNITURE COMPANY (EFC) OF AUSTIN. THE LABOR FORCE OF EFC IS
PREDOMINANTLY MEXICAN AMERICAN. TODAY'S SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT WAS
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CHAVEZ GAVE A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE SUCCESSFUL ORGANIZATION OF
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RALPH YARBROUGH, LENCHO HERNANDEZ, BOYCOTT COORDINATOR, VICTOR RUIZ,
ECONOMY FURNITURE STRIKE COMMITTEE, AND SANTOS RUIZ, U.S. DEPT. OF LABOR
CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION, FROM WASHINGTON D.C.

THE ACTIVITIES WERE STRICTLY LIMITED TO MATTERS OF LEGITIMATE
LABOR INTEREST. MEMBERS OF RADICAL GROUPS AND STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
WERE NOT IN ATTENDANCE. THE ACTIVITIES COMMENCED AT TWO P.M. AND
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CHAVEZ SCHEDULED TO DEPART AUSTIN INSTANT DATE.

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FROM ALEXANDRIA (100-NEW) 3P

POSSIBLE DEMONSTRATIONS DURING THE WEEK OF JAN. TWENTYFIVE SEVENTYONE, IN GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS IN THE WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA IN SUPPORT OF THE CAESAR CHAVEZ BOYCOTT ON LETTUCE.

MISCELLANEOUS
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CAESAR ESTRADA CHAVEZ

A SOURCE OF UNKNOWN RELIABILITY ADVISED THAT DURING THE WEEK OF JANUARY TWENTYFIVE SEVENTYONE A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY FIFTY PERSONS OF UNKNOWN AFFILIATIONS WOULD POSSIBLY ATTEMPT TO INFILTRATE VARIOUS GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS IN THE WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA AND DISRUPT LUNCH TIME CROWDS OF PEOPLE ATTEMPTING TO BUY LETTUCE FOR THEIR LUNCH. THE PURPOSE WOULD BE TO DRAW ATTENTION TO THEMSELVES BY HAVING THEMSELVES ARRESTED AND TO SUPORT THE BOYCOTT BY

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CAESAR CHAVEZ AGAINST THE PURCHASE OF NON-UNION GROWN LETTUCE. NO SPECIFIC TIMES OR BUILDINGS WERE MENTIONED EXCEPT SOURCE DID MENTION THE PENTAGON WOULD BE ONE TARGET FOR THE DEMONSTRATORS.

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ALEXANDRIA WILL FOLLOW AND REPORT ANY DEMONSTRATIONS AT GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS AND ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE THE IDENTITY OF HIGH'S ROOMMATE.

WFO FOLLOW AND REPORT ANY DEMONSTRATIONS IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT GSA HAD BEEN ADVISED OF THE PROPOSED DEMONSTRATIONS.

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To: White House, Sec. Gen. Serv. Div.,
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Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date: 1/25/71

Attached relates about 50 persons plan to conduct demonstrations at various government buildings in the Washington, D. C., area in support of the Caesar Chavez boycott on lettuce. The demonstrators plan to disrupt lunch time crowds of people attempting to buy lettuce for their lunch.

Copy of attached sent Inter-Division Information Unit. Pertinent parts will be included in a summary to the White House, Vice President, Attorney General, Defense Intelligence Agency and Secret Service.

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W. J. Marshall

ReBuairtel to SA, 7/6/70, captioned, "MEXICAN-AMERICAN TEXAS STATE CONVENTION, AUSTIN, TEXAS, 7/11-12/70; IS - SPANISH-AMERICAN."

On 1/26/71 and 1/29/71, _____ furnished the following information:

CESAR CHAVEZ, leader of the United Farmworkers Organizing Committee -- AFL-CIO, will arrive in Austin, Texas, on 2/5/71 in order to make a public appearance on behalf of the labor force involved in the strike against Economy Furniture Company of Austin. CHAVEZ' appearance on 2/6/71 is being sponsored by the Economy Furniture Strike Committee in order to build community support for the labor strike. CHAVEZ will speak at the Montopolis Community Center on Austin's East side, a predominantly Mexican-American area.

According to the source, a representative of the Strike Committee recently attended a meeting of the Mexican-American Youth Organization (MAYO) at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas (UTAT). At the meeting, the Strike Committee representative announced that CHAVEZ would be speaking in _____

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Austin but stated that the support of MAYO was not being sought. He invited MAYO members to attend but only as spectators.

The above is being furnished for information purposes as referenced communication 7/6/70 indicates that the Bureau does not desire an active investigation of CESAR CHAVEZ who will be the principle speaker at the above activity.

The Economy Furniture Company Strike mentioned above has been organized by a legitimate labor organization which has not in the past displayed a propensity for violence. Local law enforcement agencies are cognizant, as CHAVEZ' appearance is receiving publicity.

San Antonio, will, provide coverage through established sources only.

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Date: 2/9/71

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, WFO (100-53321) (RUC)

POSSIBLE DEMONSTRATIONS
DURING THE WEEK OF 1/25/71,
IN GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS
IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA
IN SUPPORT OF THE CAESAR CHAVEZ BOYCOTT ON LETTUCE
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Alexandria tel, 1/25/71. ✓

Following the receipt of referenced communication, WFO contacted [redacted] Assistant Chief, Central Protection Force, General Services Administration, WDC, on 1/26/71 and advised him of the possibility of captioned demonstrations.

On 2/8/71, [redacted] advised that no information had come to his attention, relating to any demonstrations in support of the CAESAR CHAVEZ boycott on lettuce having taken place in any government building in WDC, since he was contacted on 1/26/71.

In view of the above, WFO is placing this case in a RUC status.

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TO DIRECTOR

SACRAMENTO (100-1120)

FROM LAS VEGAS (100-1116)

W. J. ...

CESAR ESTRADA CHAVEZ; IS-SPANISH AMERICAN.

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THE "LAS VEGAS SUN" ON FEB. TWENTY SEVEN, LAST, CARRIED A NEWS ITEM INDICATING THAT SUBJECT IS TO APPEAR IN LAS VEGAS MARCH FIVE TO SIX, NEXT, TO LEND SUPPORT TO NATIONAL WELFARE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION DEMONSTRATION PROTESTING NEVADA WELFARE CUTS.

SC, REQUESTED TO ADVISE OF ANY AVAILABLE INFORMATION RE PROPOSED TRAVEL OF CHAVEZ TO LAS VEGAS AND PLANS TO TAKE PART IN DEMONSTRATION.

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[Redacted address block]

Tipp City, Ohio 45371

Dear [Redacted name]

In reply to your letter of June 11th, with enclosure, information in our files must be maintained as confidential pursuant to regulations of the Department of Justice.

I regret that we cannot be of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Bufiles reflect no record of correspondent. Enclosure is a self-addressed stamped envelope from [Redacted] which is being utilized in return. Chavez has been characterized as a controversial individual who had been openly called a communist, although our sources do not possess any corroborative information in this regard.

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June 11, 1971

General Information Section
F. B. I.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I am asking for general information, not of confidential nature, but that which is or may be public knowledge.

This is in regard to Cesar Chavez, organizer of farm labor groups in California.

Do you have information or findings indicating this mans political views and adherence? Is he a communist or has he received training by communist? Does he practice and teach the communist line? Is he considered a fellow traveler?

On June 26, I will be attending a meeting where Chavez js to be a speaker and may even participate in this meeting.

If you have any report open to the public, or if you can refer to to valid info or an evaluation of Chavez, I will greatly appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible.

Most sincerely,

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September 14, 1971

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[Redacted address]

Cape Coral, Florida 33904

Dear [Redacted]

Although we would like to be of assistance in connection with your letter of September 8th, information in our files must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. I regret I am unable to be of help to you in this instance.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent. Cesar Estrada Chavez, founder and Director of United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, which consists of farm workers in California, and his group participated in lengthy agricultural strike in California. Has been characterized as a controversial individual and allegations made he is communist. Bureau sources have not corroborated this information; however, he has associated with "left-wing" individuals. Chavez arrested on three occasions in past.

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Mr. Cleveland

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[REDACTED] CAPE CORAL, FLORIDA 33904 - [REDACTED]
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September 8, 1971

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

As the [REDACTED] I am writing you
pertaining to Mr. Ceaser Chevez. In the next several weeks,
it will be necessary for us as ministers and laymen, to
make a decision with regard to where we stand in the new
effort to organize the migrants in Florida.

I believe Mr. Chevez is the leader in this new move to organize
in the state.

We, as a church, simply need some understanding of his
affiliations before we can make an objective appraisal of his
efforts. Does he have communistic connections? Is he in any
way out of step with the principles of our democracy or do
you have any information which we need to know?

I shall appreciate any information you can give us within
the confines of your ethical commitments.

Yours truly,
[REDACTED]

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All of these references originated with the San Antonio Office. San Antonio see particularly its letter 3/29/71 captioned "Disturbances, Pharr, Texas, Police Department, 2/6/71, IS - Spanish American," with enclosure, SAfile 105-4658. San Antonio institute separate investigation of Efraim Fernandez to further identify him and to determine his contacts and activities. U

Recipient offices remain alert to activities of the various Chicano groups mentioned in the attached communication and keep Bureau advised of any pertinent developments in form suitable for dissemination. [u]

Enclosure

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-157123)

DATE: 10/15/71

FROM: *per* SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-1120) (P)

SUBJECT: CESAR ESTRADA CHAVEZ
IS - SPANISH-AMERICAN

Re Bureau letter to Sacramento, dated 8/30/71.

Enclosed for the Bureau are seven (7) copies of an LHM captioned "CESAR ESTRADA CHAVEZ" for dissemination purposes.

Source utilized is [redacted]. The individual supplying information to the source is identified as [redacted]

Sacramento will continue to follow this matter closely and attempt to obtain further information regarding the conference scheduled by the General Union of Mexican Workers and Peasants and the identities of the persons that might possibly be in attendance at that conference.

The Bureau is requested to forward seven copies of the LHM to Legat, Mexico City, for appropriate action.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Sacramento, California

October 15, 1971

CESAR ESTRADA CHAVEZ

On September 21, 1971, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were unable to furnish any pertinent information regarding a trip to Mexico by Chavez or other members of United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) for the purpose of attending a conference sponsored by the General Union of Mexican Workers and Peasants (UGOCM).

Contact, on September 28, 1971, and October 12, 1971, with a source that has access to information regarding the UFWOC, and who has furnished reliable information regarding members of this organization in the past, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the source advised that this individual advised him that various members of UFWOC are intending to travel to Mexico, believed to be Mexicali, Chihuahua, or possibly Mexico City, where they are to convene with the UGOCM to discuss the organization of boycotts and other protest movements. The source stated that he is uncertain if Chavez himself will make the trip but feels as though Dolores Huerta and Julio Hernandez, both recognized leaders of the UFWOC, have been designated to attend the conference along with other unspecified individuals. Also scheduled to be in attendance at the conference are a group of imported Cubans. Source also stated that he understands that this conference is only a preliminary one with another one scheduled after the first of the year in Jalisco, Mexico.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-157123)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-1120) (C)

SUBJECT: CESAR ESTRADA CHAVEZ
IS - SPANISH-AMERICAN

Re Sacramento letter to Bureau, dated 10/15/71. *see 2.5*

Enclosed for the Bureau are seven (7) copies of an LHM captioned CESAR ESTRADA CHAVEZ for dissemination purposes.

Source utilized is [REDACTED]

Inasmuch as source utilized was unable to develop further information regarding the identities of individuals connected with the United Farm Worker's Organizing Committee (UFWOC), that might be attending any scheduled conferences of the General Union of Mexican Workers and Peasants, this matter is considered closed by the Sacramento Division. However, if additional information is obtained through contact with the source, the same will be immediately forwarded to Bureau for dissemination purposes.

The Bureau is requested to forward seven copies of the LHM to Legat, Mexico City, for appropriate action.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Sacramento, California

November 29, 1971

CESAR ESTRADA CHAVEZ

The source that furnished the previous information regarding the identities of individuals that were to be in attendance at conferences scheduled by the General Union of Mexican Workers and Peasants (UGOCM) was contacted on November 4, 1971, November 16, 1971, and November 22, 1971, regarding additional persons that were to travel to Mexico as representatives of the United Farm Worker's Organizing Committee (UFWOC), for the purpose of attending these conferences.

The source advised that he has consulted various individuals that are affiliated with UFWOC, but was unable to obtain additional names of persons that might be planning on being in attendance at a conference sponsored by UGOCM, nor was he able to ascertain any further information regarding other sites that might be utilized for the gathering of this group to hold any conferences.

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Ex-Agent Sees Plot To Kill Cesar Chavez

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23 (AP)—The California attorney general has been asked by the state AFL-CIO to investigate an alleged plot to kill Cesar Chavez, head of the AFL-CIO United Farm Workers Organizing Committee.

The executive secretary of the California Labor Federation, John F. Henning, said Wednesday he had sent a telegram to Atty. Gen. Evelle J. Younger saying:

"Cesar Chavez has been obliged to live with lights illuminating the area of his house at night and with police dogs guarding against anti-labor intruders.

"We therefore formally request your office to investigate the alleged Chavez death plot reported last weekend by Larry Shears, a former undercover agent for the U.S. Treasury Department."

Shears, 36, told a television interviewer in Bakersfield, Calif., that he was paid \$500 last Oct. 4 by the Internal Revenue Service's Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearm Division to provide information about a plot to kill the 44-year-old farm labor organizer and to burn records in the union headquarters near Bakersfield.

He said he was promised \$10,000 if he could substantiate his claim but was thwarted when the government accidentally disclosed his cover.

Mel Warner, West Coast chief IRS enforcement officer, said Shears was paid \$500 but the government now "considers the case closed" because he failed to provide the needed evidence.

But UFWOC officials say they are taking the reported plot seriously. They say Chavez was being guarded round the clock.

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Informer Says He was Part of Coast Plot to Kill Cesar Chavez

By **EARL CALDWELL**
Special to The New York Times

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1— Despite the disclaimers of Federal officials, an unemployed laborer who describes himself as a paid police informer insists that certain farmers in the San Joaquin Valley of California, ordered the assassination of Cesar Chavez, the farm union leader.

The informer, Larry Shears, 32 years old, said that he had been offered \$5,000 to participate in the plot and that he had witnessed what appeared to be the payment of \$30,000 to carry out the assassination.

Mr. Shears, a thin, long-haired man who lives in Bakerfield, offered a series of tape recordings and documents that he said demonstrated the veracity of his story.

Jerry Cohen, chief counsel to the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, has expressed concern for the safety of Mr. Chavez, who heads the union, and has said that he will seek a Congressional investigation.

Warned by Agents

Mr. Cohen said that last July 31 Federal agents secretly warned the union that they had reason to believe an attempt to assassinate Mr. Chavez was being organized. On one occasion Federal agents were said to have provided protection for Mr. Chavez at a rally.

But last, according to an Associated Press dispatch, a Federal spokesman said that the Government "now considers the case closed" after the informer was unable to provide any proof of a plot.

Mr. Chavez has been a controversial figure in his union's long and bitter struggle to organize and raise the wages of workers on the huge California fruit and vegetable farms.

Ex-Official Recalls Case

The investigation into the alleged assassination plot was conducted by the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Enforcement Division of the Internal Revenue Service, an arm of the Treasury Department.

Various officials of the enforcement division on the West Coast with whom Mr. Shears said he had dealings have declined to comment on the case and have referred inquiries to Washington.

On Thursday a revenue service spokesman in Washington declined comment on the case, saying, "I.R.S. has an established policy of not commenting on investigations."

Donald W. Bacon, now a tax consultant with Gulf and Western Industries, who until November was Assistant Commissioner for Compliance at the revenue service, recalled that there had been an investigation. He said:

"At one time there was a threat on Chavez's life. Sometime in early fall. There was an alleged plot. I authorized payment of an amount that might have included payment to an informant. I understood the information wasn't satisfactory and therefore he was not paid."

He added, "The attempt was never made on his life. The investigation stopped."

Two key men named by Mr. Shears as participants in the alleged plot have been arrested on unrelated charges, and one is still in jail. Neither was charged with organizing an assassination. One was ar-

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rested on a narcotics charge and the other for murder.

Because there has been no official action against any of those mentioned by the informer, the names of alleged plot participants are withheld.

Despite the arrests, leaders of the farm union are still worried.

Mr. Cohen said, "maybe all we got was a reprieve. We still have people out there who put up a substantial sum of money. They could be looking for another hit man."

Kennedy Pressed Fee

Mr. Cohen said that he had spent much time investigating the story related by Mr. Shears and had concluded that there were elements of truth in it. He said that Mr. Shears' tapes and documents proved that he did work with the Federal agents and that the Government did authorize the payment of \$10,000 to him for his role as an informer in the case.

It was also learned that Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts, had instrumental in getting the \$10,000 fee approved for payment to Mr. Shears. The informer said that the money was to have been paid not only for his services as an informer and later as a witness but also to enable him to relocate his family outside California. He has a wife and two children.

Mr. Shear said that he never received the \$10,000. However, he did show a copy of a canceled check issued by the Treasury of the United States in the amount of \$500.

He also had a copy of voucher showing that the payment had been made to him for "information and evidence necessary to identify [name withheld] and those person who are providing [name withheld] the

funds to arrange the arson the arson and murder of Cesar Chavez."

The canceled check for \$500, dated Oct. 4, 1971, was issued through William J. Vizzard, a special investigator in the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Enforcement Division.

Mr. Shears said that nearly three years ago he was without work and offered his services to the Kern County Sheriff's Department as an informer. He said that he had promised information that would lead to arrests and convictions for violations of narcotics laws.

He said that he worked with the sheriff's department over a period of time and, because of his success, was then put in touch with the State Narcotics Bureau, with whose agents he subsequently worked.

The sheriff's office confirmed that Mr. Shears had done work for it and said that his information had proved reliable.

Mr. Shears said that in late 1970, while he was working for the state agency, he came in touch with a 26-year-old man who eventually broached to him the idea of assassinating Mr. Chavez.

Suggests Burning Slide

Mr. Shears related that this person was involved in narcotics and that he planned to set this person up for an arrest that would have earned him \$500 from the state.

As the relationship between the two developed, the contact man offered Mr. Shears a way to earn money, the informer said. He asked Mr. Shears if he would burn an amusement slide to permit the owner to collect insurance. Mr. Shears said that he declined the job but that the slide was later destroyed by fire.

In the early spring, he said, the contact man offered him \$5,000 to burn some records in Delano. He said that he questioned the contact man about the deal and learned that the records belonged to Mr. Chavez and that it was his offices that were to be burned. In addition, the plan was to steal certain records from the union's files and then make a "hit" on Mr. Chavez—that is, assassinate him.

"And I thought, whos, God, and I know [name withheld] and I knew his people and his organization, and I knew he was capable of it," Mr. Shears said.

Demand for Money

It was at about that point, Mr. Shears said, that he had heard about the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Enforcement Division and decided to contact it with the information about the assassination plot. Until that time he had not had any dealings with the division, he said.

Mr. Shears said this man made contact with the division, told what he knew and then, realizing that his identity as an informer would become known, demanded enough money to relocate outside the state. He said that Mr. Vizzard and Richard Cook, another special investigator for the division, agreed to try to get him \$10,000 and that a contract was drawn up.

Next, Mr. Shears said that the area chief of the enforcement division, Melvin Warner, was brought in from San Francisco. He said that Mr. Warner wanted him to take a lie-detect-

or test but that the idea was dropped when expressed opposition. Instead, he said, he agreed to try to get an agent in touch with the contact man who had broached the assassination idea. He said that the agent was Lester Robinson and that he was successful in getting him in touch with the contact man.

'Hit' Man Selected

Meanwhile, Mr. Shears said, he received from the contact man detailed diagrams of Mr. Chavez's office and was told that the killing would be done by a 36-year-old "hit" man who was wanted for murder by Kern and Ventura Counties. However, the contact man told him the hit man would himself be shot after the murder, Mr. Shears said.

The plot was then held up, he said, because the persons ordering the killing insisted that certain files be stolen before the assassination took place.

Mr. Shears said this aroused the interest of the Federal investigators, who speculated that the Chavez files might contain "tax information on these farmers."

Another delay occurred, he said, when the prospective hit man was picked up on the murder charges already pending against him. This man is still in jail and his case has not come to trial.

After several days, Mr. Shears went on, he called the contact man to ask if the assassination was still on and was told, "The guy will be here Friday with the money to do the records."

Man With Paper Bag

He said that on that Friday, though uninvited, he went to the contact man's house but was told to wait outside. He said that he saw a man, whom he identified as the son of a farmer in the valley, arrive about 4 P.M. with a brown paper bag that he assumed contained the \$30,000.

Mr. Shears said that a little later the contact man came out of the house and told him, "The money is here," but added "The decision to go—we still don't have that decision."

When asked who was making that decision, Mr. Shears said that he did not know.

He said that on another occasion, involving the burning of the amusement slide, the same payoff man delivered the money to pay for the job. He also said that the owner of the slide, whom he described as a loan shark, was the man to whom the files to be stolen from Mr. Chavez's office were to be delivered.

Questioned by Police

Mr. Shears said that earlier the agents supplied him with a small radio device that enabled them to eavesdrop on his conversations with the contact man when they discussed the assassination plot. That, he said, enabled the agents to know that he was on the level.

The alleged assassination plot hit its final snag when the amusement slide operator was picked up and questioned by the Fresno police about the burning of the slide.

Mr. Shears said that information that he had given the Kern County Sheriff's Department had been passed to the Fresno police and that, in questioning the slide operator, they dropped

the names of Mr. Shears, the plot contact man and several others.

He said that the slide operator then became suspicious and called the payoff man, when they visited the contact man. The two decided that there was an informer in their midst and that Mr. Shears was the suspect, he said.

Mr. Shears said that he was successful in covering himself but that Mr. Vizzard and another agent, Bill Bertolani, became worried and decided to move to get the contact man off the streets.

He said that they got another agent, Mr. Robinson, to purchase 1,000 amphetamine pills from the contact man and then arrest him.

The Kern County Sheriff's Department assisted in the arrest, made in August, on charges of sale and possession of dangerous drugs. The sheriff's office said that \$6,700 was taken from the contact man's home as evidence and that from \$20,000 to \$22,000 was left there because it was not needed as evidence. The case is still pending and the suspect is free on bail.

Mr. Shears said that he felt

the Fresno agents considered the plot investigation closed because two men had been arrested—on unrelated charges.

He said that the agents then told him that he was not going to get the \$10,000 that had been promised. Rather, he said that Mr. Vizzard passed word to him that he was going to be paid only \$500.

Officials of the farm union agreed with Mr. Shears in believing that all that may have been accomplished was to delay an assassination attempt.

They said that in recent months there have been a number of arson attempts against various union offices, that others have been riddled with bullet holes, and that at least two attempts were made to steal records in the union offices.



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Informer Says He was Part of Coast

By EARL CALDWELL
Special to The New York Times

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1—Despite the disclaimers of Federal officials, an unemployed laborer who describes himself as a paid police informer insists that certain farmers in the San Joaquin Valley of California ordered the assassination of Cesar Chavez, the farm union leader.

The informer, Larry Shears, 32 years old, said that he had been offered \$5,000 to participate in the plot and that he had witnessed what appeared to be the payment of \$30,000 to carry out the assassination.

Mr. Shears, a thin, long-haired man who lives in Bakerfield, offered a series of tape recordings and documents that he said demonstrated the veracity of his story.

Jerry Cohen, chief counsel to the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, has expressed concern for the safety of Mr. Chavez, who heads the union, and has said that he will seek a Congressional investigation.

Warned by Agents

Mr. Cohen said that last July 31 Federal agents secretly warned the union that they had reason to believe an attempt to assassinate Mr. Chavez was being organized. On one occasion Federal agents were said to have provided protection for Mr. Chavez at a rally.

But last, according to an Associated Press dispatch, a Federal spokesman said that the Government "now considers the case closed" after the informer was unable to provide any proof of a plot.

Mr. Chavez has been a controversial figure in his union's long and bitter struggle to organize and raise the wages of workers on the huge California fruit and vegetable farms.

Ex-Official Recalls Case

The investigation into the alleged assassination plot was conducted by the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Enforcement Division of the Internal Revenue Service, an arm of the Treasury Department.

Various officials of the enforcement division on the West Coast with whom Mr. Shears said he had dealings have declined to comment on the case and have referred inquiries to Washington.

Plot to Kill Cesar Chavez



The New York Times
Cesar Chavez

On Thursday a revenue service spokesman in Washington declined comment on the case, saying, "I.R.S. has an established policy of not commenting on investigations."

Donald W. Bacon, now a tax consultant with Gulf and Western Industries, who until November was Assistant Commissioner for Compliance at the revenue service, recalled that there had been an investigation. He said:

"At one time there was a threat on Chavez's life. Sometime in early fall. There was an alleged plot. I authorized payment of an amount that might have included payment to an informant. I understood the

information wasn't satisfactory and therefore he was not paid.

He added, "The attempt was never made on his life. The investigation stopped."

Two key men named by Mr. Shears as participants in the alleged plot have been arrested on unrelated charges, and one is still in jail. Neither was charged with organizing an assassination. One was ar-

rested on a narcotics charge and the other for murder.

Because there has been no official action against any of those mentioned by the informer, the names of alleged plot participants are withheld.

Despite the arrests, leaders of the farm union are still worried.

Mr. Cohen said, "maybe all we got was a reprieve. We still have people out there who put up a substantial sum of money. They could be looking for another hit man."

Kennedy Pressed Fee

Mr. Cohen said that he had spent much time investigating the story related by Mr. Shears and had concluded that there were elements of truth in it. He said that Mr. Shears' tapes and documents proved that he did work with the Federal agents and that the Government did authorize the payment of \$10,000 to him for his role as an informer in the case.

It was also learned that Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts, had instrumental in getting the \$10,000 fee approved for payment to Mr. Shears. The informer said that the money was to have been paid not only for his services as an informer and later as a witness but also to enable him to relocate his family outside California. He has a wife and two children.

Mr. Shear said that he never received the \$10,000. However, he did show a copy of a canceled check issued by the Treasury of the United States in the amount of \$500.

He also had a copy of voucher showing that the payment had been made to him for "information and evidence necessary to identify [name withheld] and those person who are providing [name withheld] the

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funds to arrange the arson—the arson and murder of Cesar Chavez.”

The canceled check for \$500, dated Oct. 4, 1971, was issued through William J. Vizzard, a special investigator in the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Enforcement Division.

Mr. Shears said that nearly three years ago he was without work and offered his services to the Kern County Sheriff's Department as an informer. He said that he had promised information that would lead to arrests and convictions for violations of narcotics laws.

He said that he worked with the sheriff's department over a period of time and, because of his success, was then put in touch with the State Narcotics Bureau, with whose agents he subsequently worked.

The sheriff's office confirmed that Mr. Shears had done work for it and said that his information had proved reliable.

Mr. Shears said that in late 1970, while he was working for the state agency, he came in touch with a 26-year-old man who eventually broached to him the idea of assassinating Mr. Chavez.

Suggests Burning Slide

Mr. Shears related that this person was involved in narcotics and that he planned to set this person up for an arrest that would have earned him \$500 from the state.

As the relationship between the two developed, the contact man offered Mr. Shears a way to earn money, the informer said. He asked Mr. Shears if he would burn an amusement slide to permit the owner to collect insurance. Mr. Shears said that he declined the job but that the slide was later destroyed by fire.

In the early spring, he said, the contact man offered him \$5,000 to burn some records in Delano. He said that he questioned the contact man about the deal and learned that the records belonged to Mr. Chavez and that it was his offices that were to be burned. In addition, the plan was to steal certain records from the union's files and then make a "hit" on Mr. Chavez—that is, assassinate him.

"And I thought, whoa, God, and I know [name withheld] and I knew his people and his organization, and I knew he was capable of it," Mr. Shears said.

Demand for Money

It was at about that point, Mr. Shears said, that he had heard about the Alcohol, Tobacco

and Firearms Enforcement Division and decided to contact it with the information about the assassination plot. ~~When~~ that time he had not had any dealings with the division, he said.

Mr. Shears said that he made contact with the division, told what he knew and then, realizing that his identity as an informer would become known, demanded enough money to relocate outside the state. He said that Mr. Vizzard and Richard Cook, another special investigator for the division, agreed to try to get him \$10,000 and that a contract was drawn up.

Next, Mr. Shears said that the area chief of the enforcement division, Melvin Warner, was brought in from San Francisco. He said that Mr. Warner wanted him to take a He-detect-

tor test but that the idea was dropped when expressed opposition. Instead, he said, he agreed to try to get an agent in touch with the contact man who had broached the assassination idea. He said that the agent was Lester Robinson and that he was successful in getting him in touch with the contact man.

'Hit' Man Selected

Meanwhile, Mr. Shears said, he received from the contact man detailed diagrams of Mr. Chavez's office and was told that the killing would be done by a 36-year-old "hit" man who was wanted for murder by Kern and Ventura Counties. However, the contact man told him the hit man would himself be shot after the murder, Mr. Shears said.

The plot was then held up, he said, because the person ordering the killing insisted that certain files be stolen before the assassination took place.

Mr. Shears said this aroused the interest of the Federal investigators, who speculated that the Chavez files might contain "tax information on these farmers."

Another delay occurred, he said, when the prospective hit man was picked up on the murder charges already pending against him. This man is still in jail and his case has not come to trial.

After several days, Mr. Shears went on, he called the contact man to ask if the assassination was still on and was told, "The guy will be here Friday with the money to do the records."

Man With Paper Bag

He said that on that Friday, though uninvited, he went to the contact man's house but was told to wait outside. He said that he saw a man, whom he identified as the son of a farmer in the valley, arrive about 4 P.M. with a brown paper bag that he assumed contained the \$30,000.

Mr. Shears said that a little later the contact man came out of the house and told him, "The money is here," but added, "The decision to go—we still don't have that decision."

When asked who was making that decision, Mr. Shears said that he did not know.

He said that on another occasion, involving the burning of the amusement slide, the same payoff man delivered the money to pay for the job. He also said that the owner of the slide, whom he described as a loan shark, was the man to whom the files to be stolen from Mr. Chavez's office were to be delivered.

Questioned by Police

Mr. Shears said that earlier the agents supplied him with a small radio device that enabled them to eavesdrop on his conversations with the contact man when they discussed the assassination plot. That, he said, enabled the agents to know that he was on the level.

The alleged assassination plot hit its final snag when the amusement slide operator was picked up and questioned by the Fresno police about the burning of the slide.

Mr. Shears said that information that he had given the Kern County Sheriff's Department had been passed to the Fresno police and that, in questioning the slide operator, they dropped

the names of Mr. Shears, the contact man and several others.

He said that the slide operator then became suspicious and called the payoff man, when they visited the contact man. The two decided that there was an informer in their midst and that Mr. Shears was the suspect, he said.

Mr. Shears said that he was successful in covering himself but that Mr. Vizzard and another agent, Bill Bertolani, became worried and decided to move to get the contact man off the streets.

He said that they got another agent, Mr. Robinson to purchase 1,000 amphetamine pills from the contact man and then arrest him.

The Kern County Sheriff's Department assisted in the arrest, made in August, on charges of sale and possession of dangerous drugs. The sheriff's office said that \$6,700 was taken from the contact man home as evidence and that from \$20,000 to \$22,000 was left there because it was not needed as evidence. The case is still pending and the suspect is free on bail.

Mr. Shears said that he fe

the Federal agents consider the plot investigation closed because two men had been arrested—on unrelated charges.

He said that the agents told him that he was not going to get the \$10,000 that had been promised. Rather, he said that Mr. Vizzard passed word to him that he was going to be paid only \$500.

Officials of the farm bureau agreed with Mr. Shears in believing that all that may have been accomplished was to do an assassination attempt.

They said that in recent months there have been a number of arson attempts at various union offices, others have been riddled with bullet holes, and that at two attempts were made to steal records in the union offices.

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Dear [Redacted]

Mr. Hoover received your letter of January 27th and asked that I thank you for furnishing him your views and a copy of the book, "Bitter Harvest."

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy
Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

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NOTE: Bufiles disclose one prior letter to correspondent in 1968 over Miss Gandy's signature in response to her lengthy and rambling letter concerning an individual in prison and furnishing personal reminiscences. Her current letter, as did her earlier one, indicates she corresponds frequently with many individuals. The book, "Bitter Harvest," which she enclosed has been brought to the Bureau's attention before and it pertains to the fight of one man against Cesar Chavez and his activities in the grape industry. It was detached in Correspondence and Tours and is being referred to the Bureau library for possible retention.

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Jan. 27, 1972

To the Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
 Director of Federal Bureau of Investigation
 Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I am sure you are snowed under with letters but hope one of your men will have time to open this book and at least read the preface. I doubt if I could tell you anything that you do not already know about this Mexican Mafia. Cesar Chavez has been a thorn in the flesh around Lodi, which is the Tokay grape center of U.S.

Last spring, little Cesar descended on Stockton with his troupe of radicals. I was told that he sent a couple of organizers to several growers. If one would say he did not wish to join up, these hoods would say, "well it would be too bad if your barn would burn down or your kid get run over." Well, I saw two large barns burn last March. No one knows how they started in such wet weather but it certainly was not spontaneous combustion.

Perhaps this assassination hue and cry is partly a plea for public sympathy for Cesar is losing ground in this state. His first Lt., Harry Itilong, quit him. His publicity agent, Senor Campos, quit him and started lecturing to the effect that Chavez said he was working for the Mexican people but he was really working on them.

Last year I mailed these books "Bitter Harvest" to many prominent people in U.S. and had them run in installments in Farm weeklies but not with my name to be used for any publicity for my son [REDACTED]. It is hard enuf to stay in business these days without a vengeful Cesar after one.

I asked my friend, [REDACTED] if he thot it would do any good to mail a book to each of the U.S. Supreme Court judges for they had declared a Boycott on grapes & lettuce for Chavez. He said the Court was there for life and might not take time to read but that Attorney Gen. Mitchell was a very nice person and might read the book. I sent one. I honestly believe that any-one who read "Bitter Harvest" would have no sympathy for Cesar Chavez.

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As you well know, Mr. Hoover, people forget what one did 25 years ago. There's another generation, many of whom are a generation of vipers, who think one had better be put on ice when he attains 70.

I majored in Spanish at Univ. of Calif. I attended a CSO meeting in Stockton a year ago -- about 1000 Mexicans. Cesar was scheduled to speak. He never showed up, but many Mexicans came in shouting "Huelga" we can only strike (Huelga) or boycott to further our cause."

[REDACTED] Now I just do whatever I can to promote good & stomp out evil. [REDACTED] I have been reading your articles vs. Communism for 30 years & admired your zeal in organizing Boys Clubs to try to bring up the youth here the way they should go. I fear when you leave the scene, there is no one left to carry the banner versus Communism and evil unless some of the men trained under you can stand up on their hind legs and maintain the honest reputation which only your FBI has. Yours is the only Govt. organization that is honest and can be trusted so please just burn up this letter after reading for the future FBI may be infiltrated with Cesar's pals. He has powerful friends, Hubert Humphrey, George Meany, "Scoop" Jackson, etc etc. These three phone Bob Morettie, speaker at Sacramento, to kill the State Farm Bill so Cesar could be only Farm Union. This, I heard, over radio some months ago.

Lenin said that when the Capitalist nations started trading with them (the Communists) that is when they will finance their own destruction (so we've started) I just heard over radio they were figuring on putting you out on clover after next election.

Well, here's to the man, you, Mr. Hoover, who gave his entire life to the betterment of his country in furthering freedom and justice. I am sure that all of us citizens who stand up for our country have a heartfelt appreciation of your life work. As for the dissenters, anyone who does anything vs. Evil and Communism makes enemies.

Sincerely Yours,

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P.S. My mother, father & all my brothers & sisters were born in Virginia

There are all gone now xcept one brother & one sister & Yours Trulie.

I am a native Californian. (That busing scheme in Richmond is horrible!)

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Chavez Remains In Hospital, But Ends 24-Day Fast

Cesar Chavez remains hospitalized today, but he has abandoned his 24-day fast to oppose Arizona's new farm labor law.

In a statement read by an aide during yesterday's memorial mass at the Town House for the late Sen. Robert Kennedy, Chavez said:

"What is a few days without food in comparison to the daily pain of our brothers and sisters who do back-breaking work in the fields under inhuman conditions and without hope of ever breaking their cycle of poverty and misery?"

MORE THAN 5,000 persons heard Chavez' statement read while the weakened founder of the United Farm Workers Union sat with head in his hands.

Doctors said Saturday that continuation of the fast would be dangerous since tests showed Chavez' heart muscles were weakening.

On hand for yesterday's ceremony, which attracted many of the Yuma area farm workers who union spokesmen say are striking, were Joseph Kennedy III, eldest son of Sen. Kennedy, who was slain during presidential campaigning in 1968.

Folk singer Joan Baez and Paul Schrade, former United Farm Workers official, also attended. Schrade was injured in the shooting that killed Kennedy.

CHAVEZ arrived at the mass in an ambulance and broke his fast by eating sacrificial bread at the communion service.

"I am weak in body but I feel very strong in spirit," Chavez' statement said.

"What a terrible irony it is that the very people who harvest the food we eat do not have enough food for their own children."

The UFW is ramrodding a nationwide lettuce boycott and has been urging melon pickers in the Yuma area to strike. The group also is conducting a recall drive against Governor Williams.

Opponents contend Arizona's new law, which becomes effective Aug. 13, inhibits the workers' right to organize and prohibits secondary boycotts.

SUPPORTERS say workers can organize any time they want to via secret ballot and that an arbitrator — to be picked by mutual agreement of the grower and the workers, or by the court if no agreement is possible — must decide issues quickly any time an employer gets a court injunction during a harvest-time strike.

"If you give yourself totally to the nonviolent struggle for peace and justice, you also find that people will give you their hearts and you will never go hungry and never be alone," Chavez told his followers in the statement.

"OUR OPPONENTS in the agricultural industry are very powerful and farm workers are still weak in money and influence," he added.

But, he said, "we have another kind of power that comes from the justice of our cause. So long as we are willing to spread the message of our struggle, then millions of people around the world will respond from their hearts... and in the end we will overcome."

Chavez' physician, Dr. Jerome Lackner of San Jose, Calif., said the farm workers' leader will remain hospitalized "until we are confident he is okay."

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CHAVEZ ENDS FAST HERE

Bowing his head during Mass yesterday in the TowneHouse is United Farm Workers Union leader Cesar Chavez (hand on forehead). With Chavez as he ended 24-day hunger strike

were Joseph Kennedy III (left), son of late Sen. Robert F. Kennedy of New York; and folksinger Joan Baez (right). Mass was a memorial service for Senator Kennedy.



Singer Joan Baez performs at memorial mass for the late Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.



Exhorting in Spanish, "Viva Chavez, viva la causa," Joseph Kennedy III, son of the late Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, winds up brief remarks in ceremonies yesterday in TowneHouse.

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CEASAR CHAVEZ ACTIVITIES
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On February 7, 1973, KC T-1 advised that Cesar Chavez is to appear in Kansas City February 12-13, 1973, with approximately 70 people, arriving in Kansas City the late evening of February 12, from Delano, California. Chavez while in Kansas City is to attempt to organize the Spanish people in boycotting Safeway stores for selling non-union lettuce and appear at a rally Tuesday, February 13.

On February 9, 1973, KC T-1 advised the Chavez group which is to appear in Kansas City has the main objective to expand the lettuce boycott into the entire United States by boycotting two major grocery chains, Safeway stores west of the Mississippi and A&P stores east of the Mississippi. KC T-1 advised that the Chavez group will be staying at the St. Thomas Church, 740 Shawnee, Kansas City, Kansas, and will attend a rally to be held at the Penn Valley Community College, Westport Road, Kansas City, Missouri, on Tuesday evening.

On February 13, 1973, KC T-1 advised that the Chavez group arrived in Kansas City, Missouri, as previously scheduled in the late evening of February 12, 1973, and was to picket a Safeway store located in the Valentine Shopping Center, 36th and Broadway, from 2-5 p.m., February 13. The activity would consist of approximately 40-100 people and the main objective of the demonstration is to convey to the people the boycotting of the Safeway store, as the establishment was selling non-union lettuce.

On February 13, 1973, KC T-2 advised that a group of some 75-100 individuals consisting of Mexicans and blacks picketed the Safeway store at 3600 Broadway from approximately 2-3:30 p.m., February 13. The activity consisted of the participants carrying red flags and signs which read

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"Boycott Safeway who sells non-union lettuce." KC T-2 advised that Ceasar Chavez led the demonstration and was overheard to make the comment that six individuals who were to do their grocery shopping at Safeway left after they determined why the individuals were picketing and two individuals who had already bought their groceries returned the groceries to Safeway after they found out why the individuals were picketing. There were no arrests or police confrontations.

On February 14, 1973, KC T-3 advised that a rally was held by the Ceasar Chavez group at the PennValley Community College auditorium located on Westport Road in Kansas City, Missouri, from approximately 7-9:30 p.m., February 13, 1973. The rally consisted of several speeches and several hundred individuals were in attendance.

On February 14, 1973, KC T-2 advised that a rally was conducted at Penn Valley Community College, Kansas City, Missouri, from 7-9:30 p.m., February 13. There were approximately four speakers including Ceasar Chavez, and a priest with the Chavez group, and it appeared the objective of the rally was to organize the Spanish community in the Kansas City area to boycott Safeway stores. Other activity at the rally consisted of singing and dancing. KC T-2 advised approximately 1,500 people attended the rally. No arrests were made and no confrontations with police occurred.



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 LOS ANGELES (UPI) -- MARLON BRANDO IS IN THE UCLA MEDICAL CENTER FOR TREATMENT FOR A TORN THROAT.
 A HOSPITAL SPOKESMAN SAID MONDAY THAT BRANDO, 50, WAS ADMITTED LAST FRIDAY AND WAS EXPECTED TO STAY IN FOR SEVERAL MORE DAYS.
 THE ACTOR'S SECRETARY, ALICE MARSHAK, SAID BRANDO TORE HIS THROAT VOMITING AFTER APPARENTLY EATING SPOILED FISH IN TAHITI TWO WEEKS AGO.

 NEW YORK (UPI) -- JACK DEMPSEY CELEBRATED HIS 79TH BIRTHDAY AT A RESTAURANT HERE MONDAY, AND AMONG THE CELEBRANTS WAS GENE TUNNEY -- THE MANASSA MAULER'S MOST NOTED RING FOE AND THE MAN WHO TOOK HIS CHAMPIONSHIP AWAY IN 1926.

"GOD BLESS YOU, JACK, I LOVE YOU," TUNNEY SAID UPON ENTERING THE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION. "YOU'RE THE GREATEST MAN EVER IN AMERICAN SPORTS."

DEMPSEY, WHO LOST HIS TITLE TO TUNNEY ON SEPT. 22, 1926, AND THEN LOST A REMATCH A YEAR LATER, BEAMED AS A BIRTHDAY CAKE WAS BROUGHT IN SHAPED IN HIS FIGHTING IMAGE OF 50 YEARS AGO.

"THANK YOU, THANK YOU VERY MUCH," DEMPSEY SAID. AND THEN, GLANCING TOWARD HIS MOST FAMOUS RING OPPONENT HE ADDED, "AND THANK YOU GENE FOR TAKING THE TIME TO BE HERE WITH ME AND MY WIFE ON THIS OCCASION."

 CHICAGO (UPI) -- SEN. ADLAI STEVENSON, D-ILL., MONDAY CALLED FOR BETTER GAS MILEAGE AND CLEANER INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, SAYING THAT APPEALS FOR INDIVIDUAL SACRIFICES SUCH AS LESS AIR CONDITIONING AND SIMMER CAR TRIPS WOULD NOT SOLVE THE ENERGY PROBLEM.

"THOSE PERSONAL SACRIFICES THAT PRESIDENT NIXON CALLED FOR REPRESENT THE LEAST IMPORTANT KIND OF ENERGY CONSERVATION," HE SAID. "THEY MAY BE A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, BUT THEY HAVE GIVEN ENERGY CONSERVATION A BAD NAME."

STEVENSON, KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE ILLINOIS ENERGY CONFERENCE, SAID, "AT LEAST THROUGH THE MID-1980S, ENERGY CONSERVATION WILL BE OUR MAJOR TOOL FOR DEALING WITH THE ENERGY CRISIS." NOT RECORDED

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BOSTON (UPI) -- THE FBI CHIEF IN BOSTON MONDAY CONFIRMED THAT HIS OFFICE HAS INVESTIGATED DEATH THREATS AGAINST PETER FULLER, A MILLIONAIRE SPORTSMAN. FULLER SAID THE THREATS FORCED HIM TO WITHDRAW AS A CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR.

SPECIAL AGENT JAMES O. NEWPHER SAID THAT FULLER, WHO DROPPED OUT OF THE RACE IN MARCH, HAD TOLD THE FBI ABOUT THE ALLEGED THREATS. "I WOULDN'T REALLY WANT TO COMMENT AT THIS TIME," NEWPHER SAID. "FULLER HAS GIVEN US INFORMATION WHICH WE LOOKED INTO. NO IMMEDIATE ACTION IS EXPECTED."

FULLER, WHO OWNS A CADILLAC AGENCY, SAID A MASKED GUNMAN JUMPED INTO HIS CAR NEAR HIS HOME MARCH 26 AND THREATENED TO KILL HIM AND OTHER MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY IF HE DIDN'T WITHDRAW.

"I WAS FRIGHTENED," SAID THE HARVARD EDUCATED EX-BOXER. "HE WAS A MESSENGER -- AND A PRO. I'M NOT A SISSY, BUT I'M NOT GOING TO TELL YOU THAT MY REACTION WAS NOT A TRAUMATIC ONE."

LOUISVILLE, KY. (UPI) -- CESAR CHAVEZ MONDAY SAID HE IS STARTING A NATIONAL CAMPAIGN TO HELP THE "TERRIBLE PROBLEM OF 60,000-70,000 ILLEGAL MEXICAN AND FILIPINO WORKERS" COMPETING WITH AMERICAN FARM WORKERS ON THE WEST COAST.

CHAVEZ, THE HEAD OF THE UNITED FARM WORKERS, CHARGED THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IS "COMPLETELY LAX IN ENFORCING THE REGULATIONS PREVENTING THE ENTRY OF ILLEGALS AND TO PREVENT THEM FROM BREAKING OUR STRIKE."

"WE DON'T KNOW WHY THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT IS NOT ENFORCING THE LAW," HE SAID, "BUT WE DO KNOW IT'S A TOTAL BREAKDOWN. WE GO TO THE IMMIGRATION SERVICE AND THEY SAY THEY CAN'T DO ANYTHING."

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World-Organizing Trip:
Cesar Chavez' Supporters Invade Peaceful
Conference of Christians and Jews Banquet

NEW YORK--Who is this Cesar Chavez whose people
brotherhood? Who is this Cesar Chavez whose people invaded a
banquet of the National Conference of Christians and Jews
peacefully gathered to honor a man who has labored in
these concrete vineyards for fraternity among the races
and amity among the many religions?

Who is this Cesar Chavez, criticism of whom brings
down upon the critic tidal waves of intellectual terror--and
some physical pushing around as well?

True he is president of the AFL-CIO's United Farm
Workers. But is he more equal than the rest of us?

The farm workers and their allies are on the attack.
They are assailing the big Teamsters union, charging it
with having illegally seized field pickers' contracts
covering some 50,000 California workers (Chicanos, Portuguese
and Arabs as well as some blacks and whites) from the UFW.

The forces of the slim, open-collared, charismatic
Chavez--who are now being intensely trained for the revived
campaign for the boycott of table grapes, lettuce and
Gallo wines--are spreading out across the land in front of
the big retail chain outlets. They have the support of
big unions such as Al Shanker's teachers. Now their
subsidies come mostly from the \$10,000 a week donated by
Leonard Woodcock's auto workers.

Chavez's organizers are fanning out across Western

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Europe, successfully winning support from powerful transport unions and laborite municipal and national governments. Chavez has tackled the U.S. government, charging a conspiracy between the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) and the Teamsters has resulted in the illegal inflow of alien Mexican workers into the U.S. to take jobs from his members, break his strike and smash his boycott. This has been sharply rejected and denied by INS Commissioner Leonard Chapman. And of course by the Teamsters.

But why picket the Conference of Christians and Jews as Chavez's people did the other night? Because the crusading conference was honoring Robert F. Longacre, president of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, Inc.--that's why.

Its stores sell "double horse" lettuce--the symbol is the traditional Teamsters union trademark. The pickets, run by the Women For Action, some carrying United Farm Workers signs, were shouting against "scab" lettuce, demanding the salad greens and grapes carry the black Aztec eagle emblem of Cesar Chavez's farm workers.

Last Tuesday I was alongside the noisy pickets' circle outside the Hotel Americana here and heard them heap imprecations and vituperation not only upon the man receiving a Brotherhood award, but upon his enterprises, the food they sell--the whole thing.

Well, that's their privilege. This is a free country. Freedom of speech is inherent. But it goes two ways. Towards the end of the evening, a group peeled off the

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picket line, invaded the big banquet hall unrolled a banner
rushed up to the speakers dais, pushed dog food and other
objects upon the table at Mr. Longacre's place. Does
free speech depend upon the decisions of the picket captain's
whimsies?

Apparently it does, in this case at least. It is the
activist principle of the late self-admitted social
revolutionary Saul Alinsky of whom Cesar Chavez is a
disciple. It will not win adherents to his cause.

Chavez may say he cannot be everywhere. Well, some
of his top California lieutenants have been in this
metropolitan area for a while and are teaching social
picket action to his young organizers. Chavez is racing
after far wider horizons at the moment. He was in London
the other day. There he won the support of militant
Jack Jones, chief of the powerful Transport and General
Workers, the United Kingdom's biggest union--proportionately
the free world's largest. Chavez wants the "T and G"
to boycott Teamster-picked lettuce, grapes, and Gallo wines.
Jones, England's most influential labor leader, agreed. And
was pleased when Chavez said that the boycott was succeeding
so well in the U.S. and Canada, that only Western Europe
was left as a market for California grape growers. From
London Chavez headed for the continent. His itinerary
calls for conferences with labor leaders especially in
transport in Belgium, France, West Germany and Italy, for
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Draining The Wine:

Cesar Chavez Whipping Up New
Intercontinental Farm War

NEW YORK -- That long-running war of the vines and
wines -- now stretching on an international front from
Germany and Scandanavia to San Francisco -- is about to
be whipped up again. This time on the sidewalks of New
York when slim, open-shirted 48-year-old farm workers'
union chief Cesar Chavez turns svelte Fifth Avenue into
self-styled "Camino de Justicia" (Path to Justice).

That will be May 10, one of the big street's
busiest shopping days. Chavez, whose brother Richard
has been his advance man, thus winds up "Farm Worker
Week" in this concrete jungle.

There are vast implications in this mass move into
the East.

There's more to the Chevistas rolling into town
than the fanfare, a premier movie showing, a big parade
during which marchers will collect money from sponsors
contributing "dollars per mile of march." There's more
here than the battle for the nation's vegetable-basket
leadership between the United Farm Workers (UFW-AFL-CIO)

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and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

It appears to some observers that Cesar Chavez is molding a political movement among the nation's Chicanos -- some estimate them at 12 million -- just as the late Martin Luther King, Jr. attempted to build a national black political movement.

Chavez is on his own "Camino" (road). True, the boycott of grape and lettuce growers now under contract with the teamsters keeps rolling along. But Chavez's singling out the E. and J. Gallo Winery (the country's largest) is open defiance of most of the labor movement and the nation's labor laws.

A boycott of Gallo wines has not been approved by the national AFL-CIO leadership. It has not been condoned by labor leader George Meany. Gallo long ago signed with three AFL-CIO unions and the Teamsters. The company can legitimately claim to be all union. Yet Chavez has launched a national attack upon the winery.

Chavez didn't show at the AFL-CIO midwinter high command session in Bal Harbour, Fla. Chavez hasn't been in regular, if any communication with Meany or other national AFL-CIO leaders. They are no longer pouring

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money into the United Farm Workers' war chest.

Therefore it seems to some that Chavez wants to score this one on his own. The labor chiefs can't repudiate him. That would appear to be "deserting" the farm workers. That would appear to be rejecting a large ethnic minority.

Chavez's strategy, according to one high labor source, simply is to refine that boycott weapon, hone it, cut down not only the Teamsters, the lettuce and grape growers but also any one company he wants to hit.

"And where does this leave the rest of the labor movement?" asks this source. "He's building a university and clerical following which gives him strength far beyond his jurisdiction and membership. To fight him and his allies means battling forces with which we just don't want any encounters. We have no quarrel with them otherwise. Chavez knows this."

Chavez's transatlantic attack is unique. He has strong support from the Swedish labor federation (LO) which not too long ago delayed the unloading of 74 tons of grapes at Goteborg. The word spread in Europe is that grapes and lettuce not picked by Chavez's Black

Eagle union can have lethal effects because of pesticide. And that non-UFW grapes and lettuce are picked by some 800,000 underage children. The actual total work force involved comes to some 200,000 -- mostly adults.

This has reflected on all American citrus and vegetable exports. Until recently Sweden used to take some 80 per cent of the U.S. lettuce crop exports. Reports from the American embassy in Stockholm disclose that the agricultural attache there -- and American shippers -- are considerably disturbed by what could result in heavy losses to all American growers.

Now Chavez has set up shop in West Germany where he has strong trade union support. The Federal Republic buys large quantities of American farm products. And U.S. shippers could get hurt there, too.

Teamsters officials talk of a counter-boycott of "all Swedish products." Now they speak grimly of counter-boycotting the heavy selling Volkswagen if Germans boycott lettuce and grapes picked by their members.

Total it all and you have slim little Cesar Chavez

shaking the world with his stargazing young collegiate organizers who get "room and board, gas money...and \$5 a week."

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Inside the Vatican:
The Pope Receives
Cesar Chavez Warmly

NEW YORK--Cesar Chavez, maker of social waves in the fields and on the streets of America, has just returned from a most uniquely successful trip abroad. The 47-year-old United Farm Workers leader was warmly received in a private audience by Pope Paul VI.

Those who were with Chavez when he visited the Vatican report the slim open-shirted California Mexican-American received "the red carpet treatment" in the Vatican. His Holiness was sympathetic. He had strong words of support for the table grapes-lettuce-wine boycott leader. And support was expressed for Msgr. Joseph Donnelly, chairman of the U.S. Bishops' Committee on Farm Labor, one of Chavez's staunchest allies.

With Chavez was his long-time mentor and champion, Msgr. George Higgins, Secretary for Research, U.S. Catholic Conference, headquartered in Washington, D.C. This visit to the center of world Catholicism marks the

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ultimate in ecclesiastical support I believe any labor leader has won for his cause.

It marked the end of a long European journey and the winning and welding of clerical support unprecedented in the free world. It, therefore, becomes part of the most significant developments to be recorded in the annals of labor history. It blends the spiritual support of the Catholics with that of Jewish, Methodist and the Protestant organizations of clergymen and moves them into the jurisdictional battle with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (IBT).

The IBT now has virtually all but one or two of the field workers contracts in the California lettuce and vegetable valleys which feed America and much of Europe.

In the clerical coalition now officially behind Chavez, for example, is the Massachusetts Board of Rabbis.

Two months ago the Bay State rabbinical council actually declared non-black Aztec eagle grapes and lettuce non-kosher. The famed eagle is the UFW union

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label. The Teamsters pack their produce under the equally known twin horse head and wheel, symbol of the union now almost 100 years old.

In the past the Board of Church and Society of the United Methodist Church moved for similar support of the UFW label.

Thus Chavez, having been to the summit, and with other religious leaders backing him--though not quite unanimously--returned to the U.S. He sped to the national AFL-CIO headquarters, reported he was "inspired." Then he flew back to California to plan strategy with his own high command for a renewed battle with the Teamsters for leadership of some 50,000 field workers-- now mostly in the IBT which, with 2.2 million members, is the free world's biggest union.

Its general president Frank Fitzsimmons, himself a devout Catholic, charges the Chavez boycott is failing in America and thus the latter has had to turn to European leaders for support. It apparently has been a successful temporal as well as spiritual turn. Chavez had a long talk with the full "Executive" of the

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militant Jack Jones's giant British Transport and General Workers Union. It's all right, said Jack to Chavez, he hoped the "Californian grapes and lettuce rot in the (British) docks."

To Chavez then, this is the moment to dispatch his legions of pickets across the U.S. Most of this past week in Keene (Calif.) he and his executive council met from 7 a.m. to late evening. They discussed his reports on European labor and Catholic support. They planned for their new offensive.

To give it steam, old-timer Fred Ross, the Saul Alinsky social revolutionary who discovered Chavez back in 1952, and for whom Chavez apprenticed for a decade, gave a one-week course over in New Jersey for some 50 to 75 neophyte UFW organizers. Ross will be back in January for another workshop. Meanwhile, similar hit-the-street-boycott training is under way in many sections of the nation.

Supplementing this is Chavez's private meetings with influential non-Catholic clergymen who are secretaries of other religious councils. Chavez has

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been urging them to organize regional boycotts as did the Massachusetts rabbis.

There is no doubt of the enormity of this coming battle. AFL-CIO president George Meany has been flaying the Teamsters. He and Leonard Woodcock's United Auto Workers have been supplying Chavez with the logistics needed by the tiny union. During 1973, the AFL-CIO taxed itself \$1.5 million for the UFW. The auto workers leaders, who helped on Chavez's technical European trip needs with routing and door-opening all the way from Scandinavia to Dusseldorf, Germany, contributes \$10,000 weekly to the black Eagle banner. Thus in 1973, the UFW reported it took in \$4,347,375. It spent \$5,207,699.

On Jan. 1, 1974, it had some \$259,000 in cash bank accounts. So it's in the red. But many of the AFL-CIO unions are quietly contributing more money than boycott pickets. Thus reports that the UFW and its campaign are dead are exaggerated.

It's not quite certain what the Teamster reaction will be. It can counterthrust. It can stay silent. It

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can retaliate by not coming to the aid of Chavez's labor allies and boycott supporters who call Teamsters headquarters for help daily.

This is no ordinary internal labor feud. A new socio-religious era has been born.

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CORRELATION SUMMARY

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ABBREVIATIONS

Add. info.Additional information appearing in this reference which pertains to Cesar Estrada Chavez can be found in the main file or elsewhere in this summary. This information may have been received from a different source.

UFWUnited Farm Workers

UFWOCUnited Farm Workers Organizing Committee

RELATIVE WHO HAS BUREAU MAIN FILE

The relationship, biographical data and activities of Cesar Estrada Chavez as founder and Director of the UFWOC were set forth in the serials of the main file on [REDACTED] as follows:

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NAME	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	(11)
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The Justice Department furnished a letter dated 6/3/65 from the [REDACTED], which indicated that Caesar Chavez, MMA, 1221 Kensington Street, Delano, was under investigation by the [REDACTED] and requested to be advised of any reports or data known by the Justice Department which connected Chavez with communistic or subversive groups. (No further information)

Letter enclosed
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[REDACTED] advised of the contents of a "Students For A Democratic Society Regional Newsletter" believed to be the 2/6/66 issue. An article on the "Regional Meeting Report" over the name of Carolyn Craven [REDACTED] reported on this meeting by members of the Northern California Region of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS)* on 1/29/66. One topic of discussion was the grape strike in Delano, Calif. and questioning of the strike's chances for success. "Is Cesar Chavez really a radical? Or only a good liberal, with good liberal demands for his oppressed people? Everyone conjectured; no one knew the answers."

SDS "New Left Notes," published in Chicago, Ill., issue dated 2/18/66, carried an article attributed to Craven as set forth in the above paragraph.

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*An association of young people on the Left

The 5/1/66, Volume 19, Number 5 issue of "A Teny" ("The Fact") (100-366906) contained an article written by Bela Eorsi which dealt with the bracero problem. This article applauded the action taken by Ceasar Chavez, poor worker, who had organized the poor Mexican farm workers and was trying to obtain decent wages and working conditions for them. The article urged Chavez to keep organizing the farm labor force and to hold steadfast to his demands.

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100-366906-136 p.11
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This reference is a letter to former FBI Director, J. Edgar Hoover, from [REDACTED], dated 9/23/66. [REDACTED] was writing for advice on what average citizens could do about being forced into joining a union. She stated "To be told by someone like Cesar Chavez, who has a background that is not too clear, is just too much for an honest citizen to take. Maybe I am just against the color red, and all shades of it, but anyone that has, or had any thing to do with Saul Alinsky, The Industrial Areas Foundation, or with Luis Miguel Valdez, and Stefan Uhse both of whom made trips to Cuba in 1964, cannot have the United States' best interest at heart."

This letter was acknowledged on 9/28/66.

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The "Kansas City Times," a daily Kansas City, Mo., newspaper, dated 12/16/66, related that Michael James Miller arrived in Kansas City on 12/15/66 to become an advisor to the Council for United Action, a local Kansas City project of Saul Alinsky. Miller stated that he had worked for Alinsky for six years, and during the past year, he had been active in the Delano grape strike in California, where he worked with Cesar Chavez.

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This reference identified Miller as the husband of Carolyn Jean Miller [REDACTED] and indicated that Alinsky was head of the Industrial Areas Foundation of Chicago, Ill.

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The Justice Department furnished copies of a telegram to Senator Ralph Yarborough dated 1/27/67 from Cesar Chavez of the UFWOC, Delano, Calif., in which Chavez alleged that false charges were lodged against Reverend James Drake and Gilbert Padilla in Rio Grande City, Texas, during a prayer vigil on 1/26/67. (No further information)

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SA observed and mechanically recorded the rally speech by Tijerina on 2/18/68 and in this speech, Chavez was one of the individuals praised by Tijerina.

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The following references appear in the main files of the individuals listed below. These references pertain to the UFWOC associations and activities of these individuals and Cesar Chavez, Director of the UFWOC, in California from 1962 to 2/26/68. Also set out was information pertaining to Chavez' association with other members of the subversive element in California.

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The following references in the file captioned "Alianza Federal De Mercedes" (AFDM) pertain to the activities of Cesar Chavez in association with AFDM officials and Mexican-American Political Association officials and as a supporter of their cause from 1965 to 3/9/68 in California and New Mexico. Chavez was mentioned in the September 1967 issue of "Political Affairs," Theoretical Journal of the CP, USA, as a vigorous US-born leader of the farm workers' strike which had resulted in the first great breakthrough for farm workers. He stressed the necessity of unity with Negro farm workers in their drive for organization in California. Chavez supported a non-violent national coalition of Negro and Mexican-American political action groups but was against joining with the black militant groups.

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[REDACTED] furnished a Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) newsletter dated 3/15/68 regarding a meeting of American minority group leaders at Atlanta, Ga., on that date. The newsletter indicated that the meeting ended with a declaration of unanimous support for the Poor People's Campaign in WDC, spring 1968, also known as the Washington Spring Project (157-8428). It was also indicated that Cesar Chavez, the courageous UFW leader, was unable to attend the meeting because of his 25-day fast in support of nonviolence in the migrant workers movement, but Chavez, who was represented at the meeting by Baldemar Velasquez (not further identified), announced his support in a telephone message. The newsletter stated that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., President, SCLC, would meet with Chavez on 3/16/68 in Delano, Calif.

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*A Cuban news agency

In connection with the Assassination of Senator Robert Francis Kennedy (62-587), Caesar Chavez was interviewed by an SA at Indio, Calif. on 6/11/68. Chavez advised that he last saw and personally talked with Senator Kennedy in March 1968. Chavez stated that he did not see Kennedy on 6/4/68 as planned. He did not know Sirhan Sirhan*, and at no time had he had an argument with Senator Kennedy or the Kennedy organization. Chavez added that he could furnish no information regarding the assassination, although, Bill Chandler, who was affiliated with Chavez in his labor movement, had commented to Chavez on 6/10/68 that he knew Sirhan Sirhan and Chandler had been at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on 6/5/68 where Kennedy was shot that same night.

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Through this meeting, source determined that this movement hoped to move into the California grape growers controversy and use Ceasar Chavez as their "stool pigeon."

[REDACTED] advised that Eduardo Garcia, Miguel Cardoso and Jane Marie Denoit spoke at meetings in Milwaukee, Wisc., on 2/25/69.

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These individuals stated that they were to leave for California on 2/26/69 to meet with an individual referred to as "Chavez" regarding revolutionary actions in California.

On 3/13/69 [REDACTED] advised that Garcia and Cardoso spoke at meetings in Milwaukee and indicated they were going on to Los Angeles afterward to visit with Ceasar Chavez.

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*Cuban Premier

[REDACTED], advised on 3/26/69 that Tony Cantu, a member of the Stanislaus County, Calif., Branch of the Mexican-American Political Association, was working "side by side" with Cesar Estrada Chavez of the UFWOC, Delano, Calif.

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The "Denver Post," a daily newspaper published in Denver, Colo., reported on a demonstration held on the grounds of the Colorado State Capitol on 3/28/69 to support migrant farm workers in focusing attention on farm labor legislation proposals. Rodolfo Gonzales* addressed the crowd and stated the rally "is a practical application of a demonstration" and that the Crusade for Justice (CFJ) (105-178283) would support the non-violent philosophy of Cesar Chavez, who organized migrant laborers in California, but reserved the right to "make our own decision to do our own thing."

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*Chairman of the CFJ

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Copies of "El Malcriado" (100-453672) dated 4/12/67, 7/5/67, and 9/1/68 revealed various UFWOC activities of Cesar E. Chavez in California, New York and Texas. These activities included speaking engagements, attending meetings and a press conference, and being photographed with US Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

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advised that the publication, "El Malcriado," was the voice of the UFWOC, headed by Chavez, Director of UFWOC at Delano, Calif. (Sacramento letter dated 6/11/69)

Copies enclosed
100-453672-2 Encl.1 p.1; Encl.2
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The following references revealed that Ceaser Chavez, Delano, Calif., was named as a delegate on the invitational list to the National Anti-War Conference, Cleveland, Ohio, 7/4-5/69 (100-454491).

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
100-446997-11-9 ep.6	(20)
100-454491-64 ep.15	(20)
-74 ep.24	(20)
-78 ep.6	(20)

On 6/6/69 the NYO advised that Cesar Chavez, leader of the Southern California grape picker's strike, was being considered a possible delegate to attend the World Peace Council, Berlin, East Germany, 6/21-23/69 (100-361031).

On 6/17/69 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that she had no information indicating that Chavez was planning any extensive trips. [REDACTED] explained that Chavez had been seriously ill with a back ailment and had entered into very little activity outside of Delano. She further advised that it was customary for Chavez to accept appointments which would require him to travel and at the last minute, decline the invitation.

On 8/18/69 [REDACTED] advised she was reasonably certain that Chavez did not travel outside of California during June or July 1969.

100-361031-1129 p.1
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[REDACTED] advised on 12/15-16/69 that Dolores Huerta, a Vice-President of the UFW, wanted to interview a leader of the Black Panther Party (BPP) (105-165706) to find out what the Union could do to aid the BPP. It was stated that Cesar Chavez of the UFW planned to make a statement supporting the BPP.

105-165706-2482 p.182
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A press release issued 12/22/69 by the Clergy and Laymen Concerned to End the War in Vietnam announced that Bishop Antulio Parrilla-Bonilla [REDACTED] would spend Christmas Day at Delano, Calif., with Cesar Chavez of the UFW.

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[REDACTED] furnished a letter of transmittal and affidavit signed by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] wrote of her experiences at the Head Start Leadership Development Training Center, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas . On 1/9/70 [REDACTED] attended a lecture and saw a film about the grape strikers in Delano County, Calif. The grape growers were shown as the villains and the strikers as heroes. The speaker (name not given) was from the California strikers group and a personal friend of Cesar Chavez, and said he was in Lawrence to get supporters and ask people to help in the boycott.

Letter of transmittal
and affidavit enclosed

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The Boston Office advised on 4/14/70 that Marcos Munoz, the New England grape boycott leader and Regional Director of UFWOC, had worked closely with national grape boycott leader, Cesar Chavez. The UFWOC activities in the Boston area and the State of California were set out.

105-145004-210 p.1
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The Savannah Office furnished a copy of Volume I, No. VII, of the "Polylogue," an Augusta Educational News Cooperative (100-456436) publication, dated 7/20/70. In this publication under the caption "News Briefs" was a short article regarding Cesar Chavez and his success in unionizing part of the grape picking industry in California.

Publication enclosed
100-456436-7 Encl.1 p.4; Encl.2 p.5
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[REDACTED] advised that Edward Lewis [REDACTED] had purchased some property near Bakersfield, Calif., which was being used by Cesar Chavez, leader of the UFWOC, in order to train individuals in picket methods. (Los Angeles letter dated 8/19/70)

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The 10/18/70 issue of the Fort Myers, Florida "Free Press" carried an article entitled "Farm Workers Eye Union" authored by Jack Hillhouse, regarding the First Florida Farm Workers Youth Conference at Immokalee. Rudy Juarez, Director of the Organized Migrants in Community Action, and Chairman of the Rural Organization Coalition (ROC) told those assembled to look forward to many labor organizers, including Caesar Chavez from California, to come to Florida in the near future. Juarez stated that Chavez and the ROC would cooperate.

105-202737-9 ep.5
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On 12/8/70 [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], was interested in doing business with some unknown union and an unknown Chicago, Ill. figure, possibly a union organizer, rather than have Cesar Chavez come to the South Florida area from California. Source felt that [REDACTED] wanted to be the "big shot" in the labor movement and that if Chavez came to South Florida, [REDACTED] position would be downgraded and he would possibly be removed from any type of authority by Chavez.

157-17731-21 p.46
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On 12/18/70 [REDACTED] advised that Appleseed Collective (100-463376) and the UFWOC, an organization supporting the efforts of Cesar Chavez, were working together on a campaign of harrassment against the Dow Chemical Company. Source stated that on 12/11/70 about 40 Appleseed members and UFWOC workers took part in a picket at the New York Dow Office, 45 Rockefeller Center, NYC. Demonstrators carried signs calling for the freeing of Chavez* and the boycotting of Dow.

100-463376-1 p.9,16
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*In prison at Salinas, Calif.

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Correlator's Note: According to main file 161-4719 Chavez had been convicted of contempt of court because he had willfully disobeyed a court order to exempt a lettuce producer from nationwide boycott.

[REDACTED] made available a printed letter dated 12/23/70, from Paul H. Sherry, Editor, addressed to "Dear Friend with the Movement," prepared on the letterhead of the United Church Board For Homeland Ministries. This letter enclosed a flyer describing a recent special issue of the "Journal" (United Church Board For Homeland Ministries) Lakeside, Conn., which included a conversation with Cesar Chavez.

105-184369-526 p.11,12
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[REDACTED] advised that David Tyre Dellinger [REDACTED] appeared on a program at the University of Georgia, Athens, Ga., on 2/24/71. Dellinger spoke of having just returned from California where he met with Cesar Chevez of the UFW and of the struggle by Chevez to keep the farm workers non-violent in the face of "slave conditions."

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64-200-221-4763X p.3
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The following references in the files captioned "National Peace Action Coalition" (NPAC) and "Peoples Coalition For Peace And Justice" (PCPJ) revealed that Cesar Chavez was being considered for an active part in demonstrations sponsored by the NPAC, PCPJ and other peace groups from 4/2/71 to 5/2/71 in San Francisco, Calif. and WDC. It was hoped that Chavez, as head of the UFW, would take part in a public fast for an end

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to war and poverty. He was to be an approved speaker at these demonstrations and rallies and was to be one of the individuals to conduct a mass soul rally to set a tone of spiritual unity calling for the power of people to render the US Government inoperable. There was no indication that Chavez actually did participate in these demonstrations.

REFERENCE

SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER

100-460998-209 ep.54	(8)
100-463195-2X5 ep.4	(24)
-268 p.3	(8)
-369 p.2,3	(8)
-635 ep.11	(29)
-683 p.1	(22)
-1074 ep.6,22,28	(22)

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The "River City Review" (100-462841), Volume 3, Number 4, Undated issue contained an article entitled "Boycott Hamms!" which set forth information concerning a pending boycott of the Heublein Company, a very large corporation which had almost complete control of 75,000 acres of wine grapes and employed more than 10,000 farm workers, being called for its failure to sign a labor contract with Caesar Chavez and the UFWOC which was seeking to represent the farm workers employed by this company in California. This article noted that the Heublein boycott was being extended to Hamms Beer, Colonel Sanders Kentucky Fried Chicken and numerous other liquors and wines, all of which were manufactured or owned by the Heublein Company. (IP 3291-S 8/2/71)

Newspaper enclosed
100-462841-7 Encl.1 p.2
(24) Encl.2 p.5

On 11/10/71 [redacted] advised that [redacted] a student [redacted] who was consistently critical of the US Government, implied that [redacted] had worked with Cesar Chavez. (No further details)

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[redacted] advised on 12/22/71 that Father James Joseph Conroy received a stipend of \$5.00 per day for living expenses from Caesar Chavez of the UFW headquartered in Los Angeles, Calif. Conroy was to organize the UFW in the States of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Montana with his headquarters located at Woodburn, Ore.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] attended a meeting in Hillsboro, Ore., on 1/31/72, during which a [redacted] from Santa Maria, Calif., gave a talk criticizing the activities of Cesar Chavez, UFW leader. (No further information)

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[REDACTED] advised that on 3/13/72 Cesar Chavez stated he intended to lead a delegation of 25,000 Mexican-American farm workers to San Diego, Calif., during the 1972 Republican National Convention (100-467491) to protest the Nixon Administration policies.

Source further advised that on 3/16/72 approximately 250 Mexican-American farm workers marched in an orderly demonstration in front of the GOP Convention Headquarters, San Diego. The purpose of the demonstration "was to protest the attempt by the Republican-controlled National Labor Relations Board to take away our right to boycott."

100-467491-112 ep.2
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The Philadelphia Office advised that an anti-war, anti-corporation demonstration was held at Harrisburg, Pa., on 4/1/72. During this demonstration, Richard Hayden of the UFW, read a message from Caesar Chavez representing a statement in regard to the Union's opposition to the Republican Party's stand on farm workers and other Union policies.

100-460495-5539 p.7
(24)

On 5/9/72 [REDACTED] furnished an undated edition of "La Causa," the vocal organ of the Young Chicanos for Community Action (105-178715), which contained an article entitled "We Declare a Nation," a statement to the effect that the Chicano people of the Southwest (US) declared themselves a nation. Cesar Chavez was among the signatures of the individuals which appeared on this declaration.


105-178715-193 p.18
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The following references in the file captioned "Mexican-American Militancy" and "Mexican-American Matters" set forth the UFWOC leadership activities of Cesar Chavez in the US Chicano movement from 6/70 to 5/18/72 in California. Chavez was scheduled to speak at a rally held at Austin, Texas, to celebrate the second anniversary of a labor strike conducted against the Economy Furniture Industries at Austin. He did not appear at this rally but sent a telegram in which he expressed his solidarity with the strikers and requested additional information concerning the Austin situation in order to arrange for boycotts against the Economy Furniture Industries in other parts of the country. His contacts with the General Union of Mexican Farm Laborers were set out.


REFERENCES

SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER

105-180564-28 p.1-3	(10)
-50 p.2; ep.2	(10)
-54 ep.3	(10)
-57 p.2	(11)
-84 p.4	(11)
-151 p.1,2	(11)
-A p.B-1 "The Washington Post Times Herald" 11/8/71	(11)



In connection with the investigation to identify Unknown Subject, Bombing U.S. Border Patrol, 4367 North Motel Drive, Fresno, Calif. (174-2924), Ceasar Chavez, the UFWOC and the Central Valley Voice, an underground type militant newspaper, made statements and printed articles which could have and no doubt did, have the affect of inciting militant



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type Chicanos to take retaliatory action. However, there was nothing in any of the reports or articles that would implicate or point suspicion on any specific person or persons. (Sacramento letter dated 7/12/72)

174-2924-19 p.2

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The Phoenix Office advised that approximately twenty-five individuals appeared at that Office on 9/5/72 with Richard B. Cook (not further identified) as their spokesman. Cook stated that Ralph De Toledano, a reporter for "The Arizona Republic," a daily morning newspaper in Phoenix, wrote an article in the 9/1/72 issue in which he criticized Cesar Chavez. In this article, De Toledano indicated that some unidentified individual had said, "If we had killed him, then he wouldn't be taking the bread out of our mouths today" and the "him" referred to Chavez. Cook stated his group was concerned for the safety of Chavez and felt this threat against his life would be part of a conspiracy which included a "contract" for the death of Chavez amounting to \$28,000. Cook's group wanted the FBI to question De Toledano and determine the identity of the person who made this threat against Chavez. Cook also furnished a copy of a statement which his group had filed with "The Arizona Republic" concerning this matter.

By communication dated 9/12/72 the Phoenix Office was advised to insure that appropriate local authorities were aware of any threats to harm Chavez.

Statement enclosed

44-0-22923 ep.1,2; Outg. p.1

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44-0-23032 p.1

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100-448092-2417 p.4,8

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*Characterized as a communist front "peace" organization in Japan.

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On 10/31/72 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], advised there had been no Brown Berets (105-187170) support for Cesar Chavez to further organize farm labor in the Oxnard area.

105-187170-13 p.1
(18)

On 11/1/72 [REDACTED] furnished "The Winter, 1972 Catalog of W.E.B. School of Marxist Studies" which revealed that Cesar Chavez, President of the UFW, would be a guest teacher for an individual session on "Marxism and Christianity" at Georgetown University, WDC.

The subject of this file is "W.E.B. Du Bois School of Marxist Studies."

100-463084-8 p.5,6
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The following references pertain to the Peoples Coalition For Peace And Justice (PCPJ) (100-459771) and the activities of Cesar Chavez in connection with this organization from 2/27/71 to 4/15/73 in California. Chavez was interested in PCPJ support of the farm workers lettuce boycott. In connection with PCPJ literature, the UFW was listed as a national organization for the PCPJ Coordinating Committee with Chavez named as a representative. Chavez addressed a PCPJ sponsored anti-war rally and emphasized the importance of the support of the farm workers in ending the Vietnam War.

REFERENCE

SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER

100-448092-420 ep.52	(18)
100-459771-253 ep.8	(18)
-370 ep.17	(24)
-645 ep.61	(18)
-749 p.2; ep.19	(7)
-1426 ep.12	(7)

"The Los Angeles Times," date not given, block date 4/20/73, contained an article captioned "Illegal Grower Payoffs to Teamsters Charged" by Frank Del Olmo, Times staff writer. This article stated that Cesar Chavez charged that the California lettuce growers made illegal payoffs to Teamsters Union officials in 1970 as part of a conspiracy to destroy his UFW. At a press conference in WDC, Chavez called for a Congressional investigation of the allegations, which he said were based on interviews with Teamster eyewitnesses.

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122-4849-A Part I. p.3
"The Los Angeles Times"
date on card 4/27/73
(12)

SI 122-4849-A Part I, p.1
"The Los Angeles Times"
(12) 7/14/73

105-70374-6926 p.2; ep.3
(9)

The following references set out meetings and affairs of various organizations and groups which Cesar Chavez, as Director of the UFWOC, attended or planned to attend.

DATE	LOCALITY	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
<u>Alianza Federal De Mercedes</u>			
10/20-22/72	Albuquerque, N. Mex.	100-473913-2 p.2	(9)
<u>American Indian Movement</u>			
1/13/73 (Reported date)	Scottsbluff, <u>Neb.</u>	100-462483-146 p.2	(24)
7/25-8/5/73	White Oak, Okla.	-843 p.1,2	(24)
<u>The Shelter Half Coffee House</u>			
1/21/70	Seattle, <u>Wash.</u>	62-112287-227 ep.20	(17)
<u>UFWOC</u>			
4/5/70*	Coachella, Calif.	100-0-40894 p.1	(3)
<u>(Sponsor Not Given)</u>			
10/28/67	El Paso, Texas	64-43922-224 ep.1	(2)

*Attended

[REDACTED], advised on 9/4/73 that Cesar Chavez, United Farm Workers Union (157-30054) Director, was in Honolulu, Hawaii, attempting to organize boycotting of grapes in that state.

157-30054-21 p.1
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105-184369-9-201 p.8
(16)

The following references in the files captioned "National Farm Workers Association" (NFWA), "United Farm Workers" and "United Farm Workers Organizing Committee" pertain to the activities of Cesar E. Chavez as the founder and Executive Director of the NFWA from 1/24/56 to 2/18/74 in Arizona, California, Illinois, Ohio, Oregon and WDC. The purpose of the NFWA was supposedly to improve the wages and living conditions of the migrant farm worker. Chavez sent letters and pamphlets to universities throughout the US in an attempt to recruit students and professors to go to Delano, Calif. during the summer of 1966 to assist in organizing the farm workers. He spoke at rallies and demonstrations sponsored by the NFWA and was arrested once for illegal use of a loud speaker. As the leader of the NFWA, Chavez led strikes to protest illegal organizing activities and other practices by the teamsters union. Chavez embarked on a seven-week tour of the US in regard to the UFW grape boycott against growers using pesticides as well as another nationwide tour to dramatize his efforts to boycott the sale of non-union harvested lettuce and sale of this lettuce by A and P chain grocery stores. Chavez requested the Justice Department to conduct an investigation for possible Federal violations regarding the dynamiting of UFW offices and threats of bodily harm to Union members. He was Publisher of the newspaper "El Malcriado" which was the official voice of the NFWA. Background data set out.

REFERENCE

SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER

100-444762-1 p.1, 2	(4)
-3 p.1; ep.1	(4)
-5 ep.2-5,7-10,12	(4,16)
-12 ep.2-4	(4)
-15 ep.1,2	(17)
-26 ep.1	(24)
-31 p.1	(5)

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REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
100-444762-32 p.1-4 Summary 4/14/66	(16)
-33 ep.2	(5)
-34 ep.1-3	(5)
-40 ep.1,2	(18)
-72 ep.1,2	(16)
-108 p.1,2	(5)
-133X p.1	(5)
-135 ep.1-3	(5)
-156 ep.1,2	(5)
-172 ep.1	(5)
-184 p.1; ep.1	(5)
-187 p.1; ep.1	(5)
-196X2 ep.2	(5)
-200 ep.2	(6)
-223 p.2	(6)
-234 p.1	(6)
-235 p.1	(6)
-240 p.1-3	(6)
-241 p.1	(20)
-261 p.2	(20)
-262 p.1,2	(6)
-A p.1,2 Washington Capital News Service 7/16/66	(6)
157-15963-2 ep.1,2	(13)
159-3729-1 p.1; Outg. p.1	(14)
173-9333-14 ep.1,2,6,8,10	(14)
-16 ep.1	(14)
-18 ep.1	(14)
176-69-2 ep.1,2	(14)
-3 ep.1	(14)

The following references set out meetings and affairs of various organizations and groups in which Cesar Chavez, as Director of the UFWOC, participated or planned to participate. He spoke unless otherwise indicated. Through his speeches he attempted to promote UFWOC activities, publicly disclaimed violent tactics and supported the Mexican-Americans in their efforts for better living and working conditions.

DATE	LOCALITY	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
<u>Attica Brigade</u>			
4/8/74	Dayton, Ohio	100-476118-5 p.11	(18)