# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PRIVACY ACTS

## SUBJECT: (COINTELPRO)

## NEW LEFT

## LAS VEGAS

## 100-449698-65

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# Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/31/68

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677) (P) ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

SUBJECT: COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM
IS - DISRUPTION OF THE "NEW LEFT"

Re Bureau letter to SAC, Albany, 5/10/68.

There is one "New Left" organization currently operating in the State of Nevada. That organization is a new Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) chapter which is in the process of being formed at the University of Nevada (U of N), Reno, Nevada. There are no key activists in the Las Vegas Division.

Inasmuch as "New Left" organizations in the Las Vegas Division are comparatively new, no counterintelligence action is being recommended in this communication. Another factor being taken into consideration is that already announced plans by the Nevada SDS to be dormant during the Summer months, and them to resume full activity during the Fall term at the University.

A. Potential Counterintelligence Action

1. Disruption from inside organization

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2. Reliable and cooperative news media representatives

A favorable situation exists in Reno, Nevada, in regard to the relationship between local newspapers and the FBI. Consideration will be given at an opportune time to exploiting this relationship with detrimental results to the "New Left".

3. Utilization of television

[redacted]

4. Use of organization of groups in the same localities as "New Left" which could be utilized in "Anti-New Left" operations.

There already exists at the U of N, Reno Nevada, an organization known as Young Americans for Freedom (YAF). This organization is identified as a conservative group which, in Reno, is backed by the extremely conservative element in the city. This group has already held one debate with the SDS group at the University, and other such debates are being considered.

Consideration will be given to feeding certain information, depending on the debate topic, to the YAF in an effort to help expose the SDS.

In this same connection, consideration will be given the organization of campus groups with the help of strategic personnel, whose soul purpose would be to expose, disrupt, or otherwise neutralize the "New Left" movement.

B. Pending Counterintelligence Action Is Not Known

C. Tangible Results Not Known

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The above mentioned analysis is not all inclusive in view of the newness of the "New Left" movement in Nevada, and it is believed opportunities will arise in which disruptive and neutralizing tactics will be suggested.

No action will be taken by the Las Vegas Office without securing Bureau authority. All necessary facts will be submitted to enable the Bureau to approve the feasibility of any proposed action.



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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI DATE: 6/12/68

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677)(P)

SUBJECT: COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM
INTERNAL SECURITY
DISRUPTION OF THE NEW LEFT

Re Bureau letter to Albany, 5/23/68.

(1) False Allegations of Police Brutality

There have been no student - police encounters in Nevada and no false allegations of police brutality.

(2) Immorality

No information has been developed in Nevada depicting scurrilous, depraved activity, character, habits or living conditions on the part of "New Left" adherents in Nevada.

A confidential source has advised that one of the leaders of the SDS group at the University of Nevada, Reno, has stated he can obtain "marijuana" if the source wanted it. This offer was not followed up by the source. Stupid!

(3) Action by College Administrators

There have been no instances in Nevada to date wherein militant minority elements have attempted to disrupt or take-over college campuses.

Recent statements by a member of the State of Nevada Legislature at an awards ceremony at the University of Nevada indicate the thinking prevalent in Nevada.

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He stated Nevadans will not "tolerate" the take-over of Nevada University campuses by "anarchists". He requested the Attorney General of the state to review present laws to determine if they are strong enough to "cope" with any attempted campus rebellions.

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He stated, "The responsible students, faculty, and employees of our universities simply should not be denied the use of the facilities of our universities just to satisfy the qualms of such lawless groups."

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Inasmuch as Nevada has experienced no disturbances on either of its campuses, the course of action that will be taken by college administrators cannot be determined at this time.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ DATE: 6/26/68

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677)(P)

SUBJECT: COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM
INTERNAL SECURITY
DISRUPTION OF THE NEW LEFT

ReBulet to SAC Albany, 5/28/68.

Enclosed herewith are 15 copies of an LHM reflecting information concerning New Left activity at the University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada.

[redacted]

PSI has advised the organization at the University of Nevada, although holding token meetings, will be dormant during the summer months but will become active during the fall term of 1968. Plans are being made to, through the use of the already existing source, introduce "clean" students into the organization to increase the coverage at the University. When membership information is known, a review will be made of the individuals involved and possible sources will be evaluated.

Based on the extreme conservative makeup of the student bodies and the faculty members of the University of Nevada and Nevada Southern University, the only two colleges in Nevada, the potential for violence seems fairly remote. It is noted, however, there is a nucleus of New Left already organized at the University of Nevada, and a small unorganized group at Nevada Southern University who, either by design or by coincidence, follow the tenents of the New Left. Where this situation exists the potential for violence exists.

The present State of Nevada administration has made it known that violence on the campuses will not be tolerated.

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[redacted] listed as National Delegate in the LHM, is on the Security Index of the Las Vegas Office.

This matter will be followed closely by the Las Vegas Office and the Bureau will be kept advised.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

*In Reply, Please Refer to File No.*

Las Vegas, Nevada
June 26, 1968

NEW LEFT ACTIVITY AT THE
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA,
RENO, NEVADA

1. A chapter of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) was organized at the University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, at a meeting held in Reno on April 4, 1968. On June 6, 1968, a meeting of the group was held and the name of the organization was changed to Nevadans for Democratic Action (NDA). It was stated the name change was necessary because of the nation-wide investigation of Students for a Democratic Society and because of hostility on the part of the University administration. From April 4, 1968, to the present time, approximately twenty-five students and faculty members have attended meetings of the organization.

[redacted] advised that the main purpose of the group would be to provide an effective voice for liberal students in the areas of campus politics and national issues. He said the Students for a Democratic Society was needed because of great political apathy of University of Nevada students and because of a lack of organization among the leftist thinking students.

On June 6, 1968, [redacted] stated that the change of the name of the organization will have no affect on the purposes and plans of the organization.

2. Officers [redacted]

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NEW LEFT ACTIVITY AT THE
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA,
RENO, NEVADA

[redacted]

National Delegate [redacted]

3. The SDS, also known as Nevadans for Democratic Action, University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, has engaged in no disruptive activities during the past year. The organization did plan to have students wear white arm bands at commencement exercises to protest the appearance of a military commencement speaker. This action was not disruptive in nature and it was not successful.

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# Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449698) DATE: 10/8/68

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677)(P)

SUBJECT: COINTELPRO
NEW LEFT

Remylet and LHM, 6/26/68.

1) Potential Counterintelligence Action:

The Las Vegas Office has a Confidential Source who has close contact with the administration and student bodies of both the University of Nevada (U of N), Reno, Nevada, and Nevada Southern University (NSU), Las Vegas, Nevada. It is believed that through his association he can be utilized in counterintelligence action, and it is believed he would cooperate fully and confidentially.

There is an SDS Chapter at the U of N, Reno, Nevada. It still has not taken part in any action since the beginning of the 1968 Fall Term. The group is currently undergoing a change in both leadership and name; however, there is no doubt it will continue to be affiliated with the National SDS. Two areas under consideration by the SDS group for concentration are (1) to discredit the Dean of Students and force his resignation, and (2) to exploit the Negro student housing discrimination situation alleged to be in Reno.

Plans are currently being formulated to utilize the services of the CS in negating both of these goals of the SDS and at the same time discredit the U of N group. The Bureau will be kept advised and Bureau authorization will be requested prior to instituting any program.

2) Pending Counterintelligence Action -- None

3) Tangible Results -- None

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# Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449698)

DATE: 1/29/69

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677)(P)

SUBJECT: COINTELPRO
NEW LEFT

Remylet 10/8/68.

1) Potential Counterintelligence Action:

LV [redacted] has reported that members and leaders of the Reform Alliance Party (RAP), the successor to the Students For a Democratic Society chapter which recently formed on the University of Nevada at Reno, Nevada, are presently known to be heavy users of marijuana.

The use of marijuana generally in this instance is a group endeavor. Efforts will be made to determine time and place of the marijuana parties.

Bureau authority is requested to notify local police authorities of time and place where marijuana is being used by RAP members and leaders. It is anticipated that full cooperation of local police authorities will be had and arrests can be made with suitable publicity and notoriety being given to the individuals and organization involved.

2) Pending Counterintelligence Action

None. Bureau authority requested under #1.

3) Tangible Results

None.

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Relet requests authority to notify local police authorities of the time and place where marijuana is being used by members and leaders of the Reform Alliance Party (RAP), which is the successor to the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) Chapter of the University of Nevada, Reno, Venada.

For your information, it has been long-standing Bureau policy to furnish authorities, both local and Federal, information concerning violations of law coming within their jurisdictions. You should, of course, promptly notify local police authorities, as well as the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, of any information developed relating to the traffic in or use of marijuana or any other drugs. In this regard, you should, assure that any information furnished will not jeopardize the sources of your office and should be so paraphrased to protect these sources. In furnishing this information to local authorities, you should not be placed in a position whereby testimony from one of your Agents will become necessary in order for the local authorities to successfully prosecute their case.

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NOTE:

By relet, LV advised that members of RAP are presently known to be heavy users of marijuana. LV stated efforts would be made to determine the time and place of marijuana parties and requested authority to notify local police of the time and place where this drug was being used. LV stated that the local authorities would offer full cooperation and would make arrests and suitable publicity and notoriety would be given to individuals and organizations involved.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449698)

DATE: 5/29/69

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677) (P)

SUBJECT: COINTELPRO
NEW LEFT

Re Las Vegas letter dated 1/29/69.

1. Potential Counterintelligence Action

During the last school year at both campuses, Las Vegas and Reno, of the University of Nevada "new left" activities have been negligible. The Reform Alliance Party (RAP), the successor to Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) chapter on the Reno campus, for all intents became inactive during the spring semester.

There is no "new left" organization on the Las Vegas campus.

These are the only two institutions of higher learning in the State of Nevada. In view of the above no counterintelligence action is now being contemplated.

2. Pending Counterintelligence Action

None

3. Tangible Results

None

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449698) DATE: 7/14/69

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677) (P)

SUBJECT: COINTELPRO
NEW LEFT

Re Las Vegas letter, dated 5/29/69.

## 1. Potential Counterintelligence Action

According to established sources, there are no organizations active on either University of Nevada campuses at the present time.

The University of Nevada at Reno and the University of Nevada at Las Vegas are the only two institutions of higher learning in the State of Nevada. In view of the above, no counterintelligence action is currently being contemplated against New Left organizations.

## 2. Pending Counterintelligence Action

None.

## 3. Tangible Results

None.

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# Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449698) DATE: 10/31/69

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677) (P)

SUBJECT: COINTELPRO
NEW LEFT
Re Las Vegas letter, dated 7/14/69.

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1. Potential Counterintelligence Action

Informants and established sources have advised that no New Left organizations are currently active on either University of Nevada campuses at the present time.

University of Nevada at Reno and at Las Vegas, are the only two instutions of higher learning in the State of Nevada. In view of the above, no counter-intelligence action is currently being contemplated against New Left organizations.

2. Pending Counterintelligence Action

None.

3. Tangible Results

None.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449698)

DATE: 11/3/69

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677)(P)

SUBJECT: COINTELPRO
~~NEW LEFT~~

Re Las Vegas letter dated 7/14/69.

1. Potential Counterintelligence Action

Contacts with established sources have determined there are no organizations of the "New Left" active on either University of Nevada campuses at the present time.

The University of Nevada at Reno and the University of Nevada at Las Vegas are the only two institutions of higher learning in the State of Nevada. In view of the above, no counterintelligence action is being contemplated against "New Left" organizations.

2. Pending Counterintelligence Action

None.

3. Tangible Results

None.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449698)

DATE: 1/22/70

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677) (P)

SUBJECT: COINTELPRO
NEW LEFT

Re Las Vegas letter dated 11/3/69.

1. Potential Counterintelligence Action

It has been determined through contact with established sources and informants there are no "New Left" organizations active on either University of Nevada campus at the present time.

Sources at both the University of Nevada at Reno, Nevada, and at Las Vegas, Nevada, have been alerted for New Left activity. In view of the above no counterintelligence action is being contemplated at this time.

2. Pending Counterintelligence Action

None

3. Tangible Results

None

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449698) DATE: 5/27/70

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677) (P)

SUBJECT: COINTELPRO
NEW LEFT

Re Las Vegas letter dated 1/22/70.

1. Potential Counterintelligence Action

There are currently no "New Left" organizations operating on either University of Nevada campus at this time. There is a dormant chapter of the Student Mobilization Committee at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

Both Nevada Universities have less than two weeks remaining of the Spring term. Sources at both campuses have been alerted for any sign of "New Left" activity. In view of the above, no counterintelligence action is contemplated at this time.

2. Pending Counterintelligence Action

None

3. Tangible Results

None

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# Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449698) DATE: 7/21/70

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677) (P)

SUBJECT: COINTELPRO
NEW LEFT

Re Las Vegas letter dated 5/27/70.

1. POTENTIAL COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTION

According to established sources, there are no New Left organizations active on either University of Nevada campus at the present time.

The University of Nevada at Reno and the University of Nevada at Las Vegas are the only two institutions of higher learning in the State with student bodies large enough to support New Left organizations. In view of the above, no counterintelligence action is currently being contemplated against New Left organizations.

2. PENDING COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTION

None

3. TANGIBLE RESULTS

None

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# *Memorandum*

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449698) DATE: 10/7/70

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677) (P)

SUBJECT: COINTELPRO
NEW LEFT

Re Las Vegas letter dated 7/21/70.

1. POTENTIAL COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTION

There are currently no "New Left" organizations operating on either University of Nevada campus at this time. There is a dormant chapter of the Student Mobilization Committee at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

The University of Nevada at Reno and the University of Nevada at Las Vegas are the only two institutions of higher learning in the State with student bodies large enough to support New Left organizations. In view of the above, no counterintelligence action is currently being contemplated against New Left organizations.

2. PENDING COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTION

None

3. TANGIBLE RESULTS

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449698) DATE: 12/31/70

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-677) (P)

SUBJECT: COINTELPRO
NEW LEFT

Re Las Vegas letter dated 10/7/70.

1. POTENTIAL COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTION

The Legal Defense Fund organization, a New Left oriented group which provides funds for bail and legal aid for students and teachers involved in student agitation, has recently become active on the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, campus.

This is a loosely-knit, unorganized group as of this date, with membership of less than twelve individuals.

One CI, four CS's and three PSI's under development furnish coverage of this group and efforts are being made to introduce "clean" individuals into the organization through already existing sources.

According to knowledgeable sources, there are currently no New Left organizations active on the University of Nevada, Reno, campus.

2. PENDING COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTION

None

3. TANGIBLE RESULTS

None

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