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## Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

10/31/66

San Antonio advised previously that 15 striking members of National Farmers Workers Association had been lying on International Bridge between Roma, Texas and Cuidad Miguel Aleman, Mexico, and had been bodily removed by Starr County, Texas, Sheriff's Office.

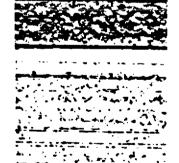
The U. S. Attorney's Office in Houston advised that there is no indication of a Federal violation in connection with this activity.

Information in attached will be furnished to the Civil Rights and Internal Security Divisions of the Department.

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FEDERAL BUREAU F INVESTIGATION FBI SANANTON U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Mr. Callabar COMMUNICATIONS SECT 519-PM URBENT 10/31/66 EGL Conrad. OCT 3 1 196 TO DIRECTOR **JELETYPE** FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3257) 1P . RAI WORKERS ASSOCIATION Miss Holms Miss BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELS AND FOLLOWERS - MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING EEFERENCE! ITONIO DEL OCTOBER IVO FOUR LAST. . ∕RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS TODAY ADVISED AT APPROXIMATELY FIVE A. M., OCTOBER THIRTYONE INSTANT, GILBERT CAMPOS, MARSHALL MENDEZ, AND ANTHONY ORENDAIN CLOSED AND LOCKED STEEL GATE IN CENTER OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE BETWEEN ROMA, TEXAS, AND CIUDAD MIGUEL ALEMAN, MEXICO, IN EFFORT TO PREVENT PASSAGE OF MEXICAN FARM WORKERS TO THE UNITED STATES. ALL THREE ARRESTED BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES AND CURRENTLY IN JAIL IN CIÚDAD MIGUEL ALEMAN. STATED HE HAD TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED CONGRESSMAN KIKA NFORMED HIM THAT W. E. B. DUBOIS CLUBS IS COMMUNIST ORGANIZATION **3** 114111 50 5 NOV 9 1966 LHM FOLLOWS .... END MR DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR FBI WASH DC

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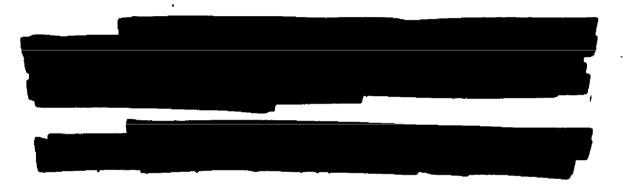
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San Antonio, Texas November 2, 1966

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California November 18, 1966

BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, RCMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON AND FOLLOWERS MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to San Antonio, Texas memorandum dated November 1, 1966, captioned as above, which reflects in part that one Anthony Orendain, together with Gilbert/Campos and Marshall Mendez, at 5:00 a.m. on October 31, 1966, closed and locked a steel gate in the center of the International Bridge between Roma, Texas and Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Mexico in an effort to prevent passage of Mexican farm workers into the United States. This action caused the arrest of the foregoing individuals by Mexican authorities and they were failed in Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Mexico.

On February 16, 1966,

furnished background information
concerning strike activity on the part of the National Farm
Workers Association, Delano, California. The National Farm
Workers Association is a labor union with headquarters at 102
Albany Street, Delano, California and was organized October 15,
1963 as a non-profit organization under the California State
law. Anthony Orendain was named as Chairman of the Credit
Committee of the National Farm Workers Association at the date
of organization (October 15, 1963). At that time, his
address was given as 1216 - 11th Avenue, Hanford, California.
No other information identifiable with Orendain is contained
in the files of the Los Angeles Division of the FBI.

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RE SAN ANTONIO AIRTEL TO BUREAU SEPTEMBER SEVEN LAST CAPTIONED PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY. TEXAS. TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY FOUR, SIXTY-SIX. MISCELLANEOUS DASH INFORMATION CONCERNING, BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH FOUR FOUR FOUR SEVEN SIX TWO.

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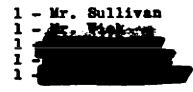
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NOTE:

For the past several months members of the National Farm Workers Association under leadership of Eugene Nelson, haveng been demonstrating for minimum wages. In one instance the demonstrators bodily blocked the International Bridge between Roma, Texas, and Mexico. The Bureau has conducted no previous investigation concerning the group.

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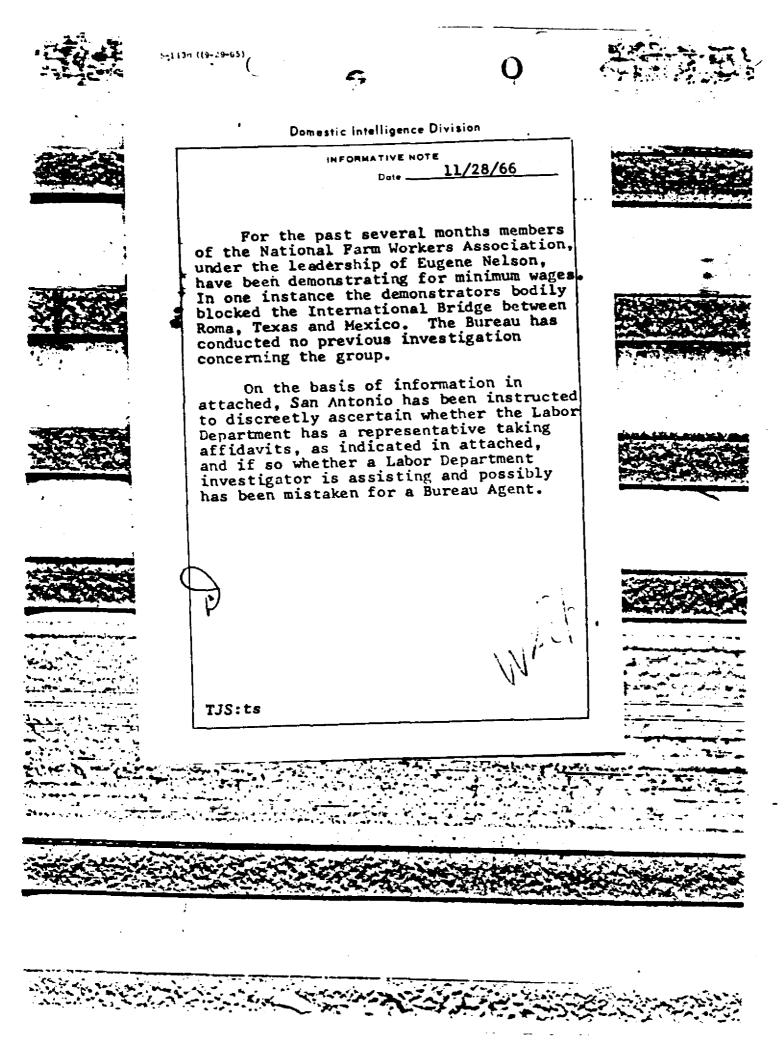
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TODAY'S ISSUE SAN ANTONIO LIGHT, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, CARRIED UNITED PRESS (NTERNATIONAL FOLLOWING API-ARTICLE DATELINED RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, UNDER HEADLINE "FBI CHECK."

TAN FBI AGENT AND A U. S. LABOR DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE HAVE BEEN TAKING AFFIDAVITS FROM PEOPLE WHO CONTEND THEY HAVE BEEN PERSECUTED FOR EFFORTS TO GET A ONE DOLLAR TWENTYFIVE CENT HOURLY WAGE MINIMUM FOR RIO GRANDE VALLEY FARM WORKERS.

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THENRY MUNOZ, DIRECTOR OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR THE TEXAS

AFL-CIO, URGED PERSONS TO REPORT SUCH ABUSES IF ANY HAVE OCCURED.

ABOVE BEING FURNISHED BUREAU FOR INFO IN EVENT INQUIRIES
RECEIVED. NO SUCH INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY SAN ANTONIO.
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TODAY REPRESENTATIVE OF DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

IN WASHINGTON, D. C., AND ONE OTHER DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

REPRESENTATIVE, NAME NOT RECALLED, WERE IN RIO GRANDE CITY.

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Antonio, Texas

November 25, 1966

→ THANKSGIVING CARAVAN FOR "LA HUELGA"
→ November 24 - 27, 1966

On November 25, 1966, Officer

advised that a rally sponsored by United Farm Workers, Rio Grande City, Texas, to dramatize support for strikers in Rio Grande City, commenced at the Alamo at San Antonio, Texas, at approximately 10:30 AM.

Among those known to have participated in the demonstration was EUGENEZVELSON, leader in Rio Grande City of the farm workers' strike.

There were approximately 100 participants in the demonstration. The participants heard speakers requesting food and money for the strikers in Rio Grande City.

During the speeches, the following literature was distributed:

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ENCLOSURE

## THANKSGIVING

## CARAVAN

# for "LA HUELGA"

Nov. 24-27



This is what dignity means.

The Caravan will be led by a migrant truck bearing the flag of the farm worker. It has a two-told purpose— to dramatize support for La Huelga and to take food and money to the strikers in Rio Grande City. Join with your truck or car in Austin or at one of the stops. Bring non-per-

## SCHEDULE

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Thanksgiving Food Rally in Austin

6:00 a.m.—Leave Austin
7:00 a.m.—San Marcos
9:00 a.m.—New Braunfels
10:30 a.m.—San Antonio
12:30 p.m.—Floresville
4:00 p.m.—Beeville (overnight)

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

7:30 a.m.—Mathis
10:00 a.m.—Corpus Christi
1:00 p.m.—Robstown
2:00 p.m.—Kingsville
3:15 p.m.—Premont
4:00 p.m.—Falfurrias
5:30 p.m.—Raymondville
5:30 p.m.—San Juan (overnight)

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

7:30 a.m.—Edinburg 8:00 a.m.—McAllen 8:30 a.m.—Mission

11:00 a.m.—Fiesta in Rio Grande City



Only a beginning.

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"Y nosotros protestamos el derecho de comer ..." son palabras de una cancion escrita por dos huelguistas de Rio Grande City.

Se necesita ser hombre para ser piquete de vigilancia y para ser encarcelado con el estomago vacio. Es duro meterse en la huelga cuando tados los de la familia tienen hambre.

La Huelga no debe morir. La voz del huelguisla se debe escuchar. Pero se necesita alimentos y dinero. Se necesita su ayuda.

"And we protest for the right to eat . . . "
are words from a song written by two striking
farm workers in Rio Grande City.

It takes guts to picket, to be thrown in jail, on an empty stomach. It's hard to stay on strike when your family is hungry.

ta Huelga cannot die. The farm worker must to be heard. But he needs food and money. He had needs your support.

THANKSGIVING CARAVAN FOR "LA HUELGA", November 24 - 27, 1966

At 10:35 AM, November 25, 1966,
U. S. Secret Service, San Antonio, and at 10:44 AM,
November 25, 1966,
above information by special Agent
At 11:26 AM, November 25, 1966,
in Charge, U. S. Secret Service, Austin, Texas, was advised
by Special Agent

On November 25, 1966, , advised that the demonstration lasted from 10:30 AM until 11:30 AM. He stated that he was present throughout the demonstration and there were no incidents. He stated that speakers were requesting money and food for the strikers in Rio Grande City and that a truck was parked near the Alamo collecting various items.

Sources who possess a comprehensive knowledge of the subversive element and organizations in the San Antonio, Texas, area, advised that they did not observe any subversives taking part in the demonstration.

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ON DEC. EIGHTEEN NEXT BOTH GROUPS COMBINED WILL DEPART CORPUS CHRISTI TO BE IN KINGSVILLE, TEXAS, EIGHT THIRTY A.M., FOR RALLY AT ST. MARTIN'S SCHOOL, THREE ZERO ZERO ELLA; THEN TO WESLACO FOR RALLY AT COURTHOUSE TWELVE THIRTY P.M.; THEN TO RIO GRANDE CITY TO ARRIVE THREE P.M.

HOUSTON AND SAN ANTONIO WILL CHECK DEPARTURE TO OBSERVE IF ANY COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OR CONTROL OF THIS ACTIVITY.

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WILL BE ADVISED ONLY OF ANY INCIDENTS.

-RE HOUSTON AIRTEL

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662)

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, CHICAGO, ILLINGIS, DECEMBER SEVENTEEN, INSTANT, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

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ADVISED TODAY EIGHT PICKETS LED BY GENARO LARA, REPRESENTATIVE,

NEWA, ONE THREE ZERO ZERO SOUTH WABASH, CHICAGO, PICKETED

ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE PROTESTING STORE'S SALE OF WINES

DISTRIBUTED BY CALIFORNIA WINE ASSOCIATION (CWA), DELANO, REC. 3

CALIFORNIA. LARA REQUESTED MANAGER ZIMMERMANN TO SIGN 100 - 11 14212

PETITION STATING HE WOULD NOT BUY FURTHER WINES FROM CWA.

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December 15, 1966

National Farm Workers Association Caravan, Houston, Texas, to Rio Grande City, Texas, December 17, 18, 19, 1966

On December 15, 1966, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised he had received information from a source that he considers reliable that the National Farm Workers Association was planning an automobile caravan in behalf of the Valley Workers in the vicinity of Rio Grande City, Texas, which was to form on December 17, 1966, at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Houston, Texas. This caravan is scheduled to depart at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 17, 1966, and proceed from Houston to Victoria, Texas, thence to Corpus Christi, Texas, and finally to Austin, Texas, where participants are scheduled to stay overnight.

On December 18, 1966, the caravan is scheduled to resume travel from Austin to San Antonio, Texas, thence to Beeville, Texas, and thereafter to Corpus Christi, Texas. Luncheon is allegedly scheduled for the group at the Steel Workers' Hall in Corpus Christi on that date.

On December 19, 1966, the caravan is scheduled to proceed from Corpus Christi to Kingsville, Texas, where luncheon is scheduled to be provided for the participants at St. Martins School.

From Kingsville, the caravan will proceed to Weslaco, Texas, and thence to Rio Grande City.

Source stated this caravan was presumably to focus attention upon the Valley Worker and to seek aid and support

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for the Valley Workers who have been attempting to obtain an increase in pay in the Rio Grande City area. Source had no information as to the size of this caravan or specific details. Source had no information reflecting there would be participation by subversive groups or individuals.

Source noted that the itinerary for this caravan appears circuitous but it is set forth in the way it was indicated to him.

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Chicago, Illinois December 19, 1966

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS' ASSOCIATION (NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, DECEMBER 17, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On December 17, 1966,

pickets led by Genaro Lara, a representative of the National Farm Workers' Association (NFWA), 1300 South Wabash, Chicago, picketed Zimmermann's Cut-Rate Liquor Store, Incorporated, 240 West Randolph, protesting the store's sale of wine distributed by the California Wine Association (CWA), Delano, California.

Lara (records of the Chicago Office contain no information identifiable with Lara) requested the store manager to sign a petition agreeing to no longer purchase wines from CWA. The manager refused.

The pickets carried signs such as "Farm Workers' denied bargaining rights" and "Farm Workers' made to unionize." The demonstration commenced at approximately 10 a.m. on December 17, 1966, and ended at 3 p.m. The demonstration was peaceful and no arrests were made.

The following individuals were advised on December 17, 1966, of the above:

Mr. N. M. Karzen, Assistant United States Attorney;
U.S. Secret Service, both at Chicago; and
113th MI Group, at Evanston.

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DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN'S LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, 12/24/66

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Re Chicago airtel to the Bureau dated 12/19/66, Chicago teletype to the Bureau dated 12/23/66, and Chicago teletype to the Bureau dated 12/24/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eleven (11) copies of letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

An information copy of the letterhead memorandum is enclosed for the Los Angeles Office. A copy of the letterhead memorandum is being furnished to the United States Attorney, Chicago.

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Chicago, Illinois December 27, 1966

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA) DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN'S LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, DECEMBER 24, 1966 INFORMATION CONCERNING

A source of the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

advised on December 23, 1966, that the NFWA, led by Genaro Lara, representative of the NFWA, and Obed Lopez Zacarias, who has a record for inciting people on the west side of Chicago, plans to picket Zimmermann's Liquor Store, 240 West Randolph Street, Chicago, on December 24, 1966, commencing at 10:00 AM.

The purpose of the demonstration is to get sympathy support for striking Delano, California, migrant grape pickers. A demonstration conducted on December 17, 1966, protested the store's sale of wines distributed by the California Wine Association in Delano.

The source stated that Lara allegedly made a statement that if the NFWA demands were not met by the store, the demonstrators plan to break store windows. The source advised that the NFWA is attempting to solicit other organizations to aid in the boycott and demonstration.

On December 24, 1966,

that there were two pickets of the NFWA who demonstrated at Zimmermann's Liquor Store from 11:00 AM to 1x30 PM on December 24, 1966. The demonstrators carried signs protesting the store's sale of wines distributed by the California Wine Association, Delano, California. The picketing was peaceful and no arrests were made.

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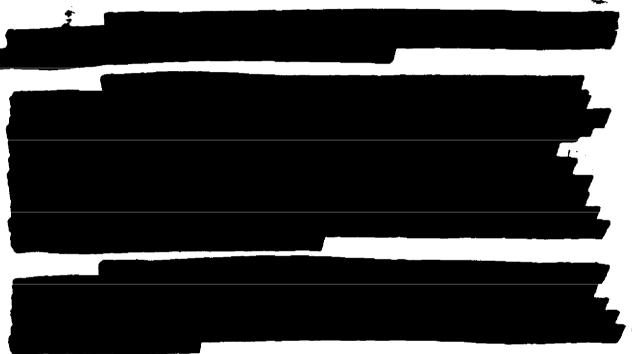
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Genaro Lara led a similar demonstration on December 27, 1966.



The above information was furnished to the following individuals on December 24, 1966:

Robert T. Sikes Assistant United States Attorney, Chicago

United States Secret Service, Chicago

113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois

Scurces utilized in characterizing organizations appearing in the appendix section have furnished reliable information in the past.

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## APPENDIX

## FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE

The April 6, 1960, edition of "The New York Times" newspaper contained a full-page advertisement captioned "What Is Really Happening in Cuba," placed by the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC). This advertisement announced the formation of the FPCC in New York City and declared the FPCC intended to promulgate the truth about revolutionary Cuba" to neutralize the distorted American press.

"The New York Times" edition of January 11, 1961, reported that at a hearing conducted before the United States Senate Internal Security Subcommittee on January 10, 1961, Dr. CHARLES A. SANTOS-BUCH identified himself and ROBERT TAMER as organizers of the FPCC. He also testified he and TABER obtained funds from the Cuban Government which were applied toward the cost of the aforementioned advertisement.

On May 16, 1963, a source advised that during the first two years of the FPCC's existence there was a struggle between Communist Party (CP) and Socialist Workers Party (SWP) elements to exert their power within the FPCC and thereby influence FPCC policy. This source added that during the past year there had been a successful effort by FPCC leadership to minimize the role of these and other organizations in the FPCC so that their influence as of May, 1963, was negligible.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On May 20, 1963, a second source advised that VINCENT "TED" LEE, FPCC National Office Director, was then formulating FPCC policy and had indicated that he had no intention of permitting FPCC policy to be determined by any other organization. This source stated that LEE believed that the FPCC should advocate resumption of diplomatic relations between Cuba and the United States and should support the right of Cubans to manage their revolution without interference from other nations. LEE did not advocate supporting the Cuban revolution per se.

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The November 23, 1963, edition of "The New York Times" reported that Senator THOMAS J. DODD of Connecticut had called FPCC "the chief public relations instrument of the Castro network in the United States." It is to be noted that Senator DODD was a member of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee which twice conducted meanings on the FPCC.

The December 27, 1963, edition of "The New York World Telegram and Sun" newspaper stated that the pro-CASTRO FPCC was seeking to go out of business and that its prime activity during its lifetime had been sponsorship of pro-CASTRO street rallies and mass picket lines, and the direction of an active propaganda mill highlighting illegal travel-to-Cuba campaigns. Its comparatively brief span of life was attributed to mounting anti-CASTRO American public opinion, the 1962 Congressional hearings which disclosed FPCC financing by CASTRO's United Nations Delegation, and ultimately, the bad publicity which the FPCC received from disclosure of activities on its behalf by suspected presidential assassin LEE H. OSWALD.

On February 6, 1964, the previously mentioned second source advised that V. T. LEE had recently remarked that the FPCC was dead and that there were no plans to organize another similar organization.

On April 13, 1964, a third source advised that there had not been any FPCC activity in many months and that the FPCC had been dissolved.

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## FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE, CHICAGO CHAPTER

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#A source advised in October, 1960, that the Chicago Chapter of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC) was formed during the summer of 1960 at Chicago, Illinois, under the direct guidance and leadership of RICHARD CRILEY, a member of the State Committee, Communist Party (CP) of Illinois.

A second source in August, 1960, furnished a leaflet entitled, "What Is Really Happening in Cuba?" distributed by the FPCC in Chicago. The aims and purposes of the FPCC as set forth in this leaflet include the following: "To disseminate the truth, to combat untruth; to publish and distribute factual information which the United States mass media suppresses. In general, to contribute to foundations for peace, friendship, and understanding between ourselves and the Cuban people." The leaflet reflects the FPCC plans to accomplish these aims: "By mailing of informational bulletins; organizing public meetings and forums; providing speakers, movies, and slides for meetings of interested organizations, placing ads in newspapers; to visit Cuba and see for themselves what conditions really are."

A third source advised on March 9, 1964, that there has been no activity of the FPCC in Chicago since late November, 1963, and for all intents and purposes the organization is defunct.

The mailing address for the FPCC, Chicago Chapter, is Post Office Box 4474, Chicago 80, Illinois.

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Re Chicago teletype to Bureau dated 1/21/67, and Chicago airtel to Bureau 12/19/66, captioned "National Farm Workers Association (NFWA), Demonstration at Zimmermann Liquor Store, Randolph and Franklin Streets, 12/2/66, Information Concerning."

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> Chicago, Illinois January 23, 1967

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT PARKWAY LIQUOR, 52 WEST DIVISION STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, JANUARY 21, 1967 INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum dated December 19, 1966, captioned "National Farm Workers Association (NFWA), Demonstration at Zimmermann Liquor Store, Randolph and Franklin Streets, December 17, 1966, Information Concerning."

On January 21, 1967.

that ten individuals peacefully demonstrated before the Parkway Liquor Store, 52 West Division Street, Chicago, protesting the store's sale of wines distributed by Perelli Minetti Company, Delano, California.

Leaflets were distributed by the pickets reflecting previous demonstrations by the National Farm Workers against the Schenley Company and Di Giorgio Company, both of California, which resulted in better treatment for farm workers and the belief being that this demonstration could also accomplish better working conditions for farm workers associated with Perelli Minetti Company, Delano, California.

Picketing commenced at 11:30 a.m. and terminated at 1:30 p.m. with no incidents noted or arrests being made.

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FOR INFO OF BUREAU, CHARLES SMITH, AUSTIN, TEXAS,
PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH CHARLES MC KINLEY SMITH,

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#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California March 14, 1967

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE AFL-CIO, DELANO, CALIFORNIA

On March 10, 1967,

Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), AFL-CIO, Delano, had applied for, and granted, a parade permit to parade in the City of Delano on March 25, 1967. Officials of UFWOC plan a march from the Filipino Hall on Glenwood Street, Delano, to the corner of Garces Highway and Mettler Road, Delano, which will supposedly consist of from 800 to 1000 persons and which parade is in commemoration of the UFWOC march from Delano to Sacramento, California one year ago. The parade is to begin at 3:30 p.m. and end at 4:30 p.m.

Prior to the march on March 25, 1967, there will be a luncheon, singing, and a theater skit, and after the march a party is planned for the evening.

advised that he expects far less than 300 to 1000 persons participating in the above-mentioned activities, and although there could be some mild demonstrations, he expects no particular problems.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished to Region II, l15th MI, U. S. Army, Pasadena, California; OSI, Norton Air Force Base; Naval Investigative Service, San Diego; U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; and the U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles.

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3	morni Texas	The Valley Morning Star newspaper, Harlingen, Texas, ing of 3/23/67, carried a short article datelined Austin, as follows:	
		"The Valley Workers Assistance Committee will stage an Easter caravan to Rio Grande City to gather goods for farm workers and their families.	1
		"The caravan will leave from the State Capitol Saturday and take the same route as the farm workers' march last year, meeting a second group from Houston at Corpus Christi before continuing to the Valley.	ļ
		"Rallies are scheduled in San Antonio, Corpus Christi, and Rio Grande City during the trip."	
	Inasm Anton	This activity is in connection with continuing programs ding the farm workers' strike in the Rio Grande Valley. Such as this is part of a legitimate labor dispute, San dio is taking no action. The above is being submitted purely the information of the Bureau. REC 46/00 - 1/1/2/2/2-	18
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Perseried herewith to each office is one copy of neceronder from the Criminal Division of the Department dated 3/15/67, which is self-explanatory.

For the information of the field, the Bureau has responded to the Criminal Division memorandum advising that our files reveal in 1966, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFFOC) merged with the National Farm Workers Association (XFWA). The Department was advised that since October, 1965, considerable information received by the Bureau has been furnished to the Department relating both to Communist infiltration of NPVA and various demonstrations by such organization in commection with efforts to organize farm workers in Texas and in California. In addition, the Department was informed of information received from the

concerning the arrest on 2/1/67, of ten individuals on charges of disturbing the peace when they entered the premises of the victin corporation to harmes nonnuice workers. It was suggested the Department may wish to review information in its files prior to any investigation being instituted by the Bureau, and the Department was advised no further action will be taken by the FBI in the absence of a specific request from the Department.

No specific investigation is being requested at this time, but each office should insure that the Dureau is promptly advised of any incidents which arise in the fature relating to organizational attempts or other activities of the captioned Committee in the Rio Grande Valley,

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Letter to SACH, Houston, San Antonio RE: UNSUBS; UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Any such incidents coming to your attention should be furnished to the Bureau promptly by appropriate communications bearing captions pertaining to particular activities of the Committee and, in any event, LHM's suitable for dissemination should be submitted.

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Mr. Fred M. Vinsen, Jr. Assistant Attorney General

March 21, 1967

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. DeLoach

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UNEXOWN SUBJECTS United Park Workers Organizing Committee LA CASITA PARMS, INC. - VICTIM ANTI-RACKETEER ING

Reference is made to your memorandum dated March 15, 1967 (Department file 144-74-835), which requested advice as to certain activities of the captioned Committee,

Our files reveal that in 1966, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) merged with the Mational Farm Workers Association (MFWA)". Since October, 1965, con-siderable information received by this Bureau has been furnished to the Records Administration Office of the Department relating both to Communist infiltration of the MTVA and various demonstrations by such organisation in connection with efforts to organize farm workers in Texas and in California. This information sets forth particular incidents as well as the general situation regarding labor organizing difficulties among the farm workers. (161-4719-31; 100-444762)

In addition, information has been received from the that on rebruary 1, 1967, the Sheriff's Office had arrested ten individuals on charges of disturbing the peace when they entered the premises of the victim corporation to harass the nominion workers. Reportedly, there were among those arrested two individuals connected with UFFOC and five religious leaders. All of the persons arrested were released after posting \$100 personal recognizance bond.

It is suggested you may wish to review information in Department files prior to any investigation being instituted by this Bureau. No further action will be taken by the FBI in the captioned matter in the absence of a specific request from the Department.

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#### NOTE:

Criminal Division advised of alleged violence as reported in newspapers concerning labor organizing activities of captioned Committee with regard to laborers of the victim corporation; requested advice of the situation generally and particular acts of violence coming to our attention; and indicated it would determine whether investigation was warranted under Anti-Racketeering (AR) Statute (18 USC 1951) which prohibits extortionate demands induced by violence.

. No investigation under AR is being instituted since labor organizational activities are not considered extortion as defined in AR Statute.

Our investigation as to possible Communist infiltration of NTWA, independent labor union (now known as UTWOC), in the past did not indicate it was controlled by Communists, but that Communist Party members or sympathizers have furnished suppost in certain activities concerning grape growers in California. Various demonstrations by this organization in form of marches and auto caravans during 1966, were reportedly for the purpose of focusing attention on the organization by obtaining publicity.

San Antonio and Houston Offices being requested by separate communication to keep Bureau advised of any further incidents which occur relating to the organizational attempts of the union in the Rio Grande Valley.

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UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE AFL-CIO DELANO, CALIFORNIA

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Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau 3/14/67.

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No further investigation is being conducted in this matter.

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Los Angeles, Cali.ornia March 27, 1957

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE AFI-CIO DELANO, CALL-ORNIA

On March 25, 1967.

advised that apploximately 770 persons part ripated in the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UTWOC) sponsored march at Delano on March 25, 1967. He said the march began an hour shead of schedule at 2:30 PM and was completed at approximately 3:30 PM.

stated that the vast majority of individuals observed in the march group were strangers to Delano. Farticipants included representatives of the clergy, college students, beatniks, and UFWOC members. The demonstration was peaceful and no problems were experienced.

On March 27, 1967,

problems were reported by his Delano Substation.

advisul on March 27, 1967 that no problems were incurred with the march gathering of UNOC members and sympathizers over the period of March 24, 1967 through Harch 26, 1967, and that most of the outsiders had left Delano.

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San Antonio, Texas

April 3, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS' STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The March 26, 1967, edition of The San Antonio Light, a daily San Antonio, Texas, newspaper, carried an article captioned "Student Caravan Takes Aid to Farm Workers" which states that a 25-car caravan originating in Austin, Texas, had traveled to Rio Grande City on March 25, 1967, carrying food, medicine, and clothing to striking farm workers in the Rio Grande City area.

According to the article, this caravan was joined at Corpus Christi, Texas, by approximately 100 individuals from the Houston-Corpus Christi areas.

The article stated the purpose of the caravan was to serve as a morale booster for the striking farm workers.

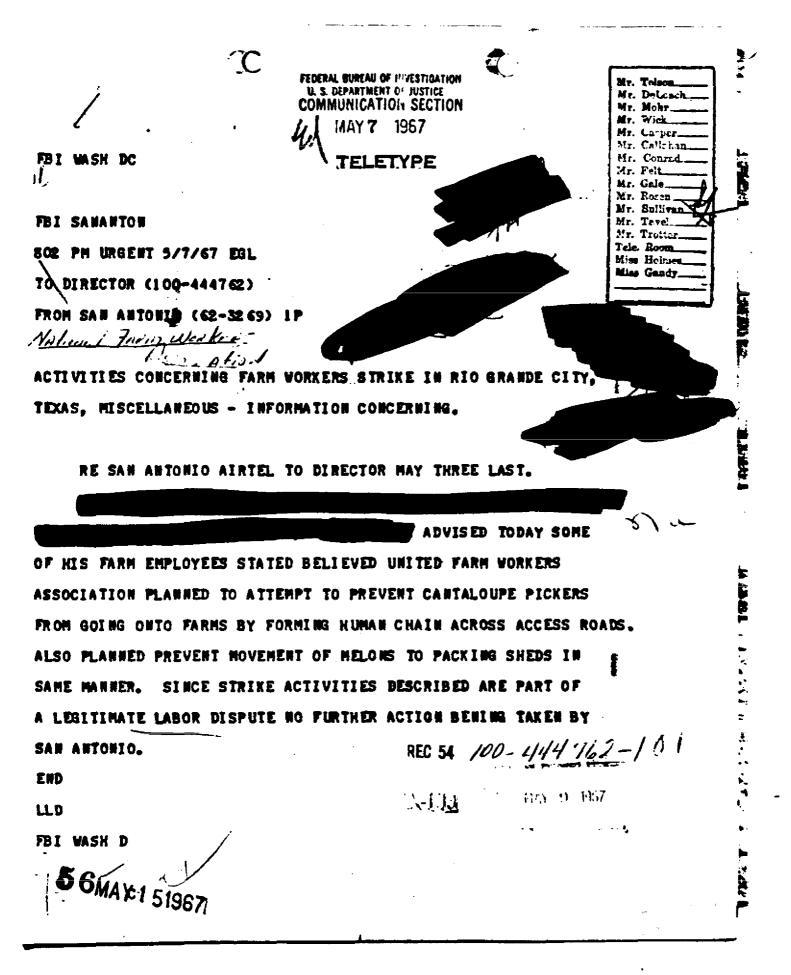
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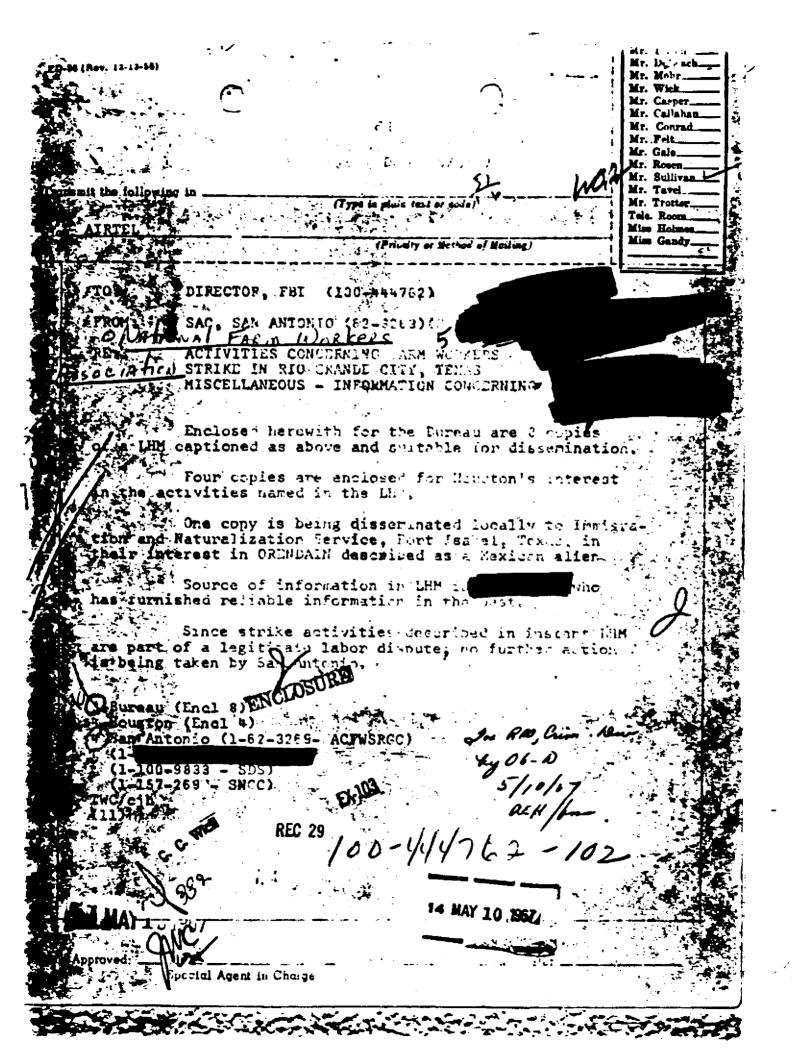
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Copies of the LHM have also been furnished locally to OSI, MIG. MISO, Secret Service, San Antonio, and Secret Service Austin.

Sheriff's Office, Rio Grande City, Texas, has been notified.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF (NVFST) G. 210N San Antonio, Texas May 3, 195

ACTIVITIES CONCEPNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDT CITY, TEXAS

A source, who has in the past furnished reliable information, addised on May 7, 1967, as follows:

The waskend of May 0 = 7, 1977, is expected to see present at Fio Grando City, Toxas area a group of about 50 demonstrators and of the supportant in continuance of the Huelga which has been in progress there during the past several months.

Source stated that elements from the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and Students For a Democratic Society from upstate, probably Houston and Austin, Texas, are being sought for the above event, with the intent of including persons of Negro descent especially. Source indicated that this accent was probably being placed on the upcoming support of the Huelya in light of the national publicity being given to "Black Power."

The present weekin May 1967 is the beginning of the melon harvesting season and, according to source, a strategic time to attempt a slowdown or stopping of the harvesting of this perishable crop, which is destined seasonally for the northern markets at a premium price.

Source additionally advised he had information which he regarded as reliable and coming from the ranks of the strikers themselves that EUGENE NELSON, a principal in the Huelga, is to be in the future based at Pharr, Texas, where he is expected to operate a printing press, such as

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKER'S STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

was done in a strike compaign help in the recent past among farm workers in Deleng. Collionnia.

To replace (MELSON or a functionary in the Huelga will be JAMES DEACH, decombed as a "missionary breacher."

Source described MALSON further as the author of a Huelga book of instructions, which he had issued during the activities in Delano, California. Prior to taking a part is the Iclano activities, NELSON reportedly spent a two-coar period, 1963 - 1964, in the State of Gichdaca., Merion, which he was a "student and writer." Source further described ABCCO, as fluent in both Spanish and English and as well an abled conversationalist.

Source also conserved that TONY OPENDAIN, another activist prominent in this Huelga, is a Mexican elien, who crisinated in the State of Michocoan.

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CTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

THE VALLEY EVENING MONITOR, MCALLEN, TEXAS, NEWSPAPER ON THIS DATE CARRIED AN ARTICLE PERTAINING TO "MEXICAN GREEN CARD WORKERS" WHO MAVE BEEN WORKING IN THE CANTALOUPE HARVEST AT RIO GRANDE CITY. TEXAS. AND WHO YESTERDAY REFUSED TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES BECAUSE OF A PICKET LINE COMPOSED OF MEMBERS OF CONFEDERATION OF MEXICAN WORKERS (CTM). APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED OF THESE WORKERS ENTERED THE UNITED STATES AFTER MIDNIGHT THIS MORNING.

TEXAS RANGERS HAVE BEEN IN STARR COUNTY, TEXAS, AND INSTANT ARTICLE QUOTED UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE MENDER AS HAVING SAID THEY HAVE TELEGRAPHED PRESIDENT JOHNSON TOUR BOAVES B 1967 INVESTIGATION OF TEXAS RANGERS. THEY SAID RANGERS HAD SHOVED SEVERAL UNION MEMBERS AND WERE ACTING AS "STRIKE BREAKERS END PAGE ONE

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ADVISED TODAY EUGENE NELSON. A MEMBER OF UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) ARRESTED MAY TWELVE LAST AFTER MAKING THREAT AGAINST TEXAS RANGERS BY STATING THERE WOULD BE SOME DEAD RANGERS UNLESS THEY LAY OFF OF UFWOC PICKETS.

NELSON IMMEDIATELY TAKEN BEFORE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE WHO SET BOND AT TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS. BOND SIGNED BY J. C. GUERRA. ROMA, TEXAS, WHO ACCORDING TO THE HAS ONLY SIXTYONE ACRES OF LAND VALUED AT FIFTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS IN HIS NAME. REFUSED TO ACCEPT BOND UNTIL NELSON'S ATTORNEY. JAMES MC KEITHAN OF MISSION, TEXAS, BROUGHT HIM A STATEMENT FROM THE TEXAS COLLECTORS OFFICE INDICATING GUERRA END PAGE ONE

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS MISCELLANEOUS-INFORMATION CONCERNING

ReSAtel 5/13/67, no copies to Houston or Los Angeles.

San Antonio should incorporate information contained in referenced teletype into an LHM suitable for dissemination, and submit to Bureau by return mail.

The Criminal Division of the Department has previously expressed an interest in the activities of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee and dissemination of various incidents is being made to that Division, among others. Bureau instructions regarding submission of such LHMs is set forth in Bureau mirtel to Houston and San Antonio dated 3/22/67. You should see that such instructions are followed in the future.

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AT AUSTIN, TEXAS Through established sources report results of the termination of the march and rally at Austin, Texas.



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San Antonio, Texas

September 1, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On September 1, 1967, advised on the evening of August 31, 1967, a rally was held at New Braunfels to create interest in the march to Austin, Texas, starting September 1, 1967, to dramatize the need to raise the standard of living of the workers in Rio Grande Valley of Texas. Approximately one hundred persons attended the raily.

Shortly after 7 a.m. on September 1, 1967, the marchers left New Brauntels en route to Austin. The march consisted of some twelve persons.

stated he was of the understanding that the march will conclude LaBor Day in Austin, Texas, where a rally is planned.

added that there were no incidents during the raily and march.

The September 1, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Extress, a daily San Antonio, Texas, newspaper, carried the Tollowing article.

"MARCHERS KICK OFF \$1.25 WAGE DRIVE

"The Valley Farm Workers Assistance Committee raily Thursday night in New Braunfels, scheduled to trigger the committee's 1367 march on Austin, fired a blank,

"The prediction by Erasmo, Andrade, state chairman of VFWAC, that 1,000 people would be at the rally in West End Park assembly hall fell short. A Texas Department of Public Safety officer estimated the crowd at 150, although

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION San Antonio, Texas

May 16, 1967

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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The May 12, 1967, edition of the Valley Evening Monitor, a daily newspaper published at McAllen, Texas, carried an artical pertaining to "Mexican Green Card Holders," who have been working in the cantelope harvest at Rio Grande City, Texas, and who on the previous day had refused to enter the United States because of a picket line on the Mexican side of the border composed of members of the Confederation of Mexican Workers (CTM). Some 100 of these workers entered the U. S. to work after the picket line dispersed.

The article quoted UFWOC spokesman as having said they had telegraphed President LYNDON B. JOHNSON to request investigation of the Texas Rangers, as Rangers had "shoved" several union members and were strike breakers.

On May 13, 1967,

EUGENE NELSON, leader of the UFWOC at Rio Grande City, had been arrested the previous day after having threatened Texas Rangers by stating there would be some dead rangers unless they left the UFWOC pickets alone. NELSON was immediately taken before a Justice of the Peace who set bond at \$2,000. He was remanded to the Starr County Jail in lieu of bond.

The May 16, 1967, edition of The Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas carries an artical captioned "Complaint Filed Against Ranger" which states Reverend ED KRUEGER of Edinburg, Texas, and one DAVID LOPEZ, a member of the UFWOC, had filed a complaint at Rio Grande City, Texas, the previous day against Texas Ranger JACK VAN CLEVE which alleged the Ranger shoved them during a demonstration at the International

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Bridge, Rio Grande, City, the previous week. Starr County Attorney RANDALL NYE was quoted as saying he would consider action in the matter on May 16, 1967.

This article also states EUGENE NELSON, supra, was released from Starr County Jail on May 15, 1967, after his attorney posted a \$200 bond.

The article further states that five melon growers of the Rio Grande City area had sent a telegram to Senator JOHN TOWER, Republican, Texas, charging the presence of pickets on the Mexican side of the Roma, Texas, International Bridge was "an international conspiracy to block bridges and creat chaos.

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May 19, 1957

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZEDG COMMITTEE (UFWOC) MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The May 15, 1967, edition of the San Antonio Express, a daily newspaper published in San Antonio, Texas, carries an article which states that Henry Munoz, Jr., Director of the Equal Opportunity Department of the Texas AFL-CIO and member of the Texas Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights, had asked that that committee convene to investigate alleged violations of the civil rights of striking Starr County, Texas farm workers by Texas Rangers.

On May 18, 1967, Gilberto Padilla, Vice-President, United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), Rio Grande City, Texas, advised that that morning while picketing at Trophy Farms, Rio Grande City, 22 members of the UFWOC had been arrested by Texas Rangers and charged with picketing within 50 feet of Trophy Farms and within 50 feet of each other. Complaints were filed against the pickets before a local Justice of the Peace and bond had been set at \$100.00 each. Arrangements for bond were being made by Attorney for the UFWOT, James B. McKeithan. Padilla was considering filing charges locally against the Rangers for "pushing" pickets.

On May 18, 1967, Texas Rangers, Rio Grande City, stated he and other Fangers had made the above arrests on the charge as stated, this being a violation of Texas law. He said one of those arrested was Domingo Arredondo, President of the UFWOC Chapter at Rio Grande City.

The May 18, 1967, edition of the Valley Evening Monitor, a daily newspaper published at McAllen, Texas, carried an article concerning the arrests, which quotes Starr County Deputy Sheriff Roberto Pena as saying the

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group arrested was "noisy and abusive and used vulgar language." The article also quotes Gilberto Padilla, supra, as saying "The charges against the pickets are ridiculous."

The May 19, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published in Harlingen, Texas, carries an article which states that State Representative Lauro Cruz of Houston, Texas, on May 15, 1967, had introduced a resolution in the Texas House of Representatives asking Texas Governor John Connally to remove the Texas Rangers from the Rio Grande City area because of "intimidation and harassment." The same newspaper carries another article which states Ernest Cortes, Jr., Boycott Coordinator of the UFWOC, had issued a statement protesting the arrest of the 22 pickets, saying the presence of the Texas Rangers in Rio Grande City is "a crude attempt at union busting."

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It is noted captioned organization has become active in the Rio Grande Walley and is involved in organizational and strike activities in the Rio Grande City, Texas, area directed against the fruit and vegetable producers of that area. It is also noted that some leaders of the group were active in the UFWOC matters in the Los Angeles area and the "Grape Strike" activities at Delano, California, in 1964.

In this connection; Los Angeles is requested to furnish San Antonio with background information concerning the strike at Delano and any information indicating Communist Party or other group influence in that strike and/or the UFWOC.

Likewise any background information and information available concerning Communist Party or other group affiliation of the following-named individuals, all active in the UFWOC at Rio Grande City and believed to have been active at Delano, should be furnished:

1. EUGENE NELSON, age 37, white male, UFWOC

:/w/47organizer WILLIAM CHANDLER, about 30, Los Angeles

Police Department No. LA 545-656-C

DOMINGO ARREDONDO, age 31, white male,

President of UFWOC at Rio Grande City REC 10 /20-1/1

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5. Any other members of the UFWOC in California presently known or believed to be in the Rio Grande City area.

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CHICAGO (100-42662) (C)

MATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA) SUBJECT: INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: Los Angeles.

Re Chicago airtel and letterhead memorandum dated 1/23/67 and captioned "National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) Demonstration at Parkway Liquor, 52 West Division Street, Chicago, Illinois, January 21, 1967, information concerning."

Referenced memorandum advised that NFWA demonstrated on January 21, 1967, before the Parkway Liquor Store, 52 West Division Street, Chicago, Illinois, protesting the stores sale of wines distributed by Perelli Minetti Company, Delano, California.

On May 4, 19,67, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that NFWA has its headquarters in Delano, California. The head of the NFWA is CESAR CHAVEZ. MENGER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

Mr. CHARLES J. KROP, now with the Illinois Migrant Council (IMC), 1307/South Wabash, Chicago, was the organizer of the Chicago area group of the NFWA. This group is called "The Allinois Citizens Committee to Aid Delano Farm Workers."

The Chicago group has no headquapters as such but meets in the Office of DOUGLAS MASTILL. Director of the Federation of Churches of Greater Chicago, Room 510, 116 South Michigan Avenue, Chicaga

The source further advised the Illinois Citizens Committee does not have a formal membership list as such and no dues are charged, but any contributions will be gratefully received.

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The source advised that Reverend GILBERT CARROLL, Cardinal's Committee for Spanish-Speaking People, 12 South Wabash, Chicago; Reverend DANIEL ALVAREZ Casa Central, 40 North Ashland; and Mr. CHARLES GOMEZ, the former Republican candidate for Cook County Commissioner and publisher of the weekly Spanish language newspaper "El Informador," were members.

The source stated that CHAVEZ had been in Chicago on April 25, 1967, and met with leading labor and church officials at this time. CHAVEZ urged that members send telegrams to Mr. JOHN TRIBUNO, 420 West 45th Street, New York City, New York, requesting him to cease purchasing vermouth from Perelli Minetti and urge Minetti to begin negotiations with NFWA.

The source concluded saying that while NFWA anticipated sending at least five people to the Chicago area to work on the Perelli Minetti boycott which was to be a selective buying type of picket, there was no immediate plans to put this into effect.

The above information is being furnished the New York Division in view of source's statement that a boycott of Minetti would probably be put in effect in the New York area.

Since the NFWA in Chicago has not conducted a demonstration since January 21, 1967, this matter is being placed in a closed status and will be reopened upon future demonstrations by the Chicago NFWA.

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David topez, Staff Representative, Organization Department, AFL-CIO, Houston, Texas, furnished the following information on May 26, 21967:

He is currently assigned at Rio Grande City, Yeyas, as an Advisor to the United Farm Workers Organizing dommittee (UFWOC).

On the evening of May 25, 1955, he, Eugene Felson, an organizer of the UFWOC, and Gilberto Hadrila, National Vice-President of the UFWOC, were leaving the Caifish Inn, a restaurant in Rio Grande City, as Captain A. L. Alyee, Officer in Charge, Texas Rangers, Rio Grande City, and Ranger Jack Van Cleave were leaving the Ringold Hotel, across the street from the Catfish Inn. Captain Alyee called to Nelson telling him he was under arrest, then pointed to Lopez and Padilla saying, "You too " He them said that he and Van Cleave would like them to accompany them somewhere where "one of your men" (referring to a member of the UFWOC) was giving the Rangers trouble. Lopez, Nelson, and Padilla agreed to follow the Rangers in their own care. Lipen, at this point, started back into the Catfish Inn to get one Albert Armendarez, a member of the Texas Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, and bill Oliver, a U. S. Civil Right Commission staff member, to witness the situation. Captain Alyee and Ranger Van Cleave entered their own car and drove away at a high rate of speed and Lopez, Nelson, and Padilla took this to mean that the Rangers did not want them to follow. They did not follow.

Lopez stated that he, Nelson, and Fadilia at no time believed they were under arrest since Captain Alyee appeared to be joking and Ranger Van Cleave's action indicated he had been drinking intoxicating neverages and liquor could be smelled on his breath.

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Lopez stated he was not making a specific complaint but believed the Rangers' actions represented part of continuing harassment tactics against the UFWOC.

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May 31, 1967

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On Day 29, 1967,

, advised that trains leaving Rio Grande City, Texas, on Friday evening, May 20, and Saturday evening, May 27, 1967, had been stoned repeatedly by UFWOC pickets at most towns of any significant size between Rio Grande City and Taylor, Texas, some 300 miles away. Some locations where stones were thrown included Mission, McAllen, Edinburg, DaFerra, Victoria, Falfurrias, Alice, San Antonio, and Austin, Texas. Additionally, a switch engine running ahead of the main train on May 26 had located a few railroad spikes and the plates on the railroad tracks near Weslaco, Texas, while the train running on May 27 had located a rook on the track near Modilen. Texas, and two rooks at Donna, Texas.

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Inited Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) who had been picketing at La Casita Farms, Rio Grande City. They were charged with picketing within fifty feet of each other, which is a violation of the Texas Criminal Code. They were taken before Justice of the Peace Brigido Lopez, Rio Grande City, and remanded to the Starr County Jail in lieu of \$400 bond each.

On May 31, 1957, David Lopez, Organizational Staff, AFL-CIO, Houston, Texas, presently assigned at Rio Grande City as an advisor to the UFWCC, advised that Mrs. William L. Chandlar, wife of UFWCC organizer William L. Chandlar, and -UFWCC member Horacio Sarraialo, were arrested about 8 p.m. that date near the Missouri-Patific Railroad Depot, Rio Grande City, on identical charges as those arrested above. As of 8:45 p.m., they had as yet not been afforded an appearance before a local magistrate and bond had as yet not been set.

According to Mr. Lopez, these two individuals were arrested by Starr County Deputy Sheriff Roberto Pena on orders of Captain A. ... Alyee of the Texas Rangers.

Mr. Lopez stated the UFWOC plans to hold a rally on June 3. 1987, at a public park located one block west of UFWOC headquarters, Rio Grande City. The rally is meant to be "a show of strength" only and no demonstrations are planned. About

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200 to 300 members and supporters of the UFWOC are expected.

Mr. Lopez additionally advised that UFWOC legal counsel is expected in Rio Grande City on June 1, 1967, and will begin preparing a case through which they hope to bring civil actions alleging violations of the Civil Rights Act of 1870 against the Texas Rangers and other local law enforcement officials. In this way they hope to obtain a restraining order against these officials to prevent further arrests and interference in UFWOC activities.

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On June 2, 1967.

112th Military Intelligence Croup, Austin, Texas, advised an undated leaflet entitled "Melon Season Convoy, Caravan to Rio Grande City" issued by The University of Texas Valley Workers Assistance Committee, 2200 Guadalupe, Austin, Texas, set forth in part that on June 2, 1967, groups from 1971as, Houston, and Austin, were departing for San Auto. 2010. City, where they would meet at the Incourse Terminal at 10 p.m., June 2, 1967.

According to the lealiet, the coravan is scheduled to leave San Antonio for Rio Grande City. Texas, at haim., June 3, 1967, arriving in Rio Grande City II a.m. and will be packeting for the remainder of the day. Leaflet also set forth that a meeting is to be held at The University of Texas YMCA. Austin, Texas, at 7 p.m., June 2, 1967, in reference to the above cardyan.

On onne 2, 1987, David Lopez, staff representative, 61L-ClO, Rouston, Texas, presently assigned as advisor to United farm Workers Organization Committee, (UIWOC), at Rio Grande City, Texas, has advised that the UFWOC plans a cally at the public park one block rest of CFWOC readquarters, Rio Grande City, Texas, June 3, 2365.

According to Imper, no nicketing or demonstrations are plained and rally will consist of speacher by various upon offacials.

un June 9, 1967. Erasmo Andrade, State Chairman. Natle, Morker: Assistance Committee, San Antonio. Texas, controted the San Antonio Office of the PBI regarding the above

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mentioned caravan. He scated that the caravan consists of students, faculty members, and friends from Dallas, Austin, and San Antonic. Texas. Caravan to arrive Rio Grande-City, Texas, in time for rally to be held in Rio Crande-City 1:30 p.m., June 3, 1967. According to Andrade, the committee hopes for 300 participants. Rally being called "anti-Rangers rally" according to Andrade.

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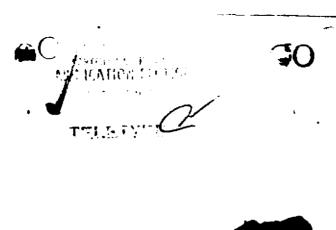
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UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE HELD RALLY AS DESCRIBED IN RETEL AFTERNOON AND EVENING OF JUNE THREE INSTANT IN RIC GRANDE CITY. RALLY COMPOSED PRIMARILY OF SPEECHES BY LOCAL UFWOC ORGANIZERS. CALLING FOR SUPPORT OF FARM LABORERS IN RIO GRANDE CITY. NO SIGNIFICANT EVENTS REPORTED.

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David Lopez, staff representative, AFL-CIO, Houston, Takas, presently assigned as advisor to the United Farm Workers Outsiting Committee (UFWCC), furnished the following information on June 1, 1967.

At about 11.15 j.m., June 1, 1987, four Texas Rangers brosh the duthand of Ranger Captain A. L. Alyee, appeared at UFWCC headquarters, Rio Grande City, Texas, armed with shutguns inquiring for 15WCC members Magdaleno Dimas and Ben Rodnignes. JFWCC nonspiter William 1. Chandler stoke with Rangers and hold them he did not know where Dimas and Rodniguez were. The Rangers did not mention marges involved. In Chandler's opinion, the Rangers were drinking. After Rangers left UFWCC headquarters, Chandler went to 409 North E Street, Rio Grande City. I where Dimas, Rodniguez, and other UFWCC members heside to warn them Rangers were looking for them. Rangers reportedly arrived at the house, broke down two doors, and arrested Dimas and Rodniguez. They showed no warrant. According to UFWCC member Kathy Baket, who also was staying at above residence, the Rangers best Dimas and Rodniguez severely and used vulgar language. No change was mentioned. Dimas and Rodniguez were taken to Starr Doubty Jall, Aid Crande City. Members of the local press media were notificated the above immediately by Lopez.

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JUNE THREE, INSTANT, EDITION OF THE EXPRESS AND NEWS. A DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, CARRIED ARTICLE ON PAGE ONE, WHICH QUOTES ONE DR. RAMIRO CASSO, MC ALLEN, TEXAS, AS SAYING MAGDALENO DIMAS, ARRESTED NIGHT OF JUNE ONE, LAST BY TEXAS RANGERS "TOOK THE WORST BEATING I HAVE EVER SEEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ADMINISTER" AND THAT DIMAS SUFFERED BRAIN CONCUSSION, A GASH BEHIND EAR, AND "TREMENDOUS SWELLING NEAR THE BRAIN".

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SAME ARTICLE STATES TEXAS RANGER CAPTAIN A/L/ ALLEE
IN INTERVIEW WITH A HARLINGEN, TEXAS, RADIO STATION, JUNE
TWO LAST, HAD SAID HE, ACCOMPAINED BY TWO STARR COUNTY
DEPUTY SHERIFFS, ARRESTED DIMAS AND BEN RODRIGUEZ BECAUSE HE
FEARED VIOLENCE IF THEY WERE LEFT AT LARGE.

ALLEE SAID DIMAS AND RODRIGUEZ WERE TRACED TO A HOUSE WHERE THEY WERE FOUND SEATED AT A TABLE WITH THEIR HANDS UNDERNEATH IT. HE ORDERED THEM TO PUT THEIR HANDS UP, THEY REFUSED TO DO SO, AND HE AND THE DEPUTIES "USED WHAT FORCE WAS NECESSARY" TO ARREST THEM.

SAME NEWSPAPER CARRIES ARTICLE ON PAGE ONE WHICH
QUOTED COL. HOMER GARRISON, DIRECTOR, TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SAFETY, WHO IS A HIGHLY RESPECTED LAW ENFORCEMENT
OFFICER IN TEXAS, AS SAYING CHARGES OF RANGERS7 BRUTALITY
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CRITICS OF THE TEXAS RANGERS SAID "IF THE OBEY THE LAW, NO
TEXAS RANGER EVER HAS OR EVER WILL MOLEST THEM".
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JUNE THREE, INSTANT, EDITION OF THE VALLEY MORNING STAR, A DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED AT HARLINGEN, TEXAS, CARRIES ARTICLE ON PAGE ONE CAPTIONED "KEEP THE RANGERS HERE", WHICH STATES PETITIONS ARE BEING WIDELY CIRCULATED AMONG STARR COUNTY CITIZENS DIRECTED TO COL. GARRISON, SUPRA, THANKING HIM FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE RANGERS IN STARR COUNTY AND URGING THAT THEY REMAIN. PURPOSE OF THE PETITIONS, ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, IS TO OPPOSE A STATEMENT BY LIBERAL STATE SENATOR JOE BERNAL OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, WHO HAS SAID HE WILL ASK GOVERNOR JOHN CONNALLY TO REMOVE THE RANGERS FORM STARR COUNTY.

FOR INFO EUREAU, DR. RAMIRO CASSO, SUPRA, IS PROMINENT IN LIBERAL POLITICAL CIRCLES IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY.

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BRIGIDO S. LOPEZ, RIO GRANDE CITY, DIMAS SUFFERED SMALL CUT NEAR,

ONE EAR AND RODRIGUEZ A SMALL CUT ON ONE FINGER. BOTH WERE

TREATED AT A RIO GRANDE CITY HOSPITAL ON ORDERS OF JUSTICE OF

PEACE LOPEZ.

ARTICLE FURTHER STATES STATE SENATOR JOE BERNAL, SAN ANTONIO,
TEXAS, IN PRESS CONFERENCE AT MC ALLEN, TEXAS, JUNE THE INSTANT 1967
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SAID HE WAS GOING TO ASK TEXAS GOVERNOR JOHN CONNALLY TO REMOVE TEXAS RANGERS FROM STARR COUNTY ON BASIS RANGERS ARE PRESENT AT REQUEST OF PRODUCE GROWERS AND NOT THE PEOPLE. THAT RANGERS ARE MAKING UNJUSTIFIED ARRESTS. A UNION MEMBER WAS JAILED CR. RECENTLY WITHOUT BEING CHARGED. AND RANGERS USED VIOLENCE JUNE ONE LAST IN ARRESTING TWO UNION MEMBERS. BERNAL SAID FBI HAD BEEN ASKED TO DETERMINE WHETHER FEDERAL LAW HAS BEEN VIOLATED.

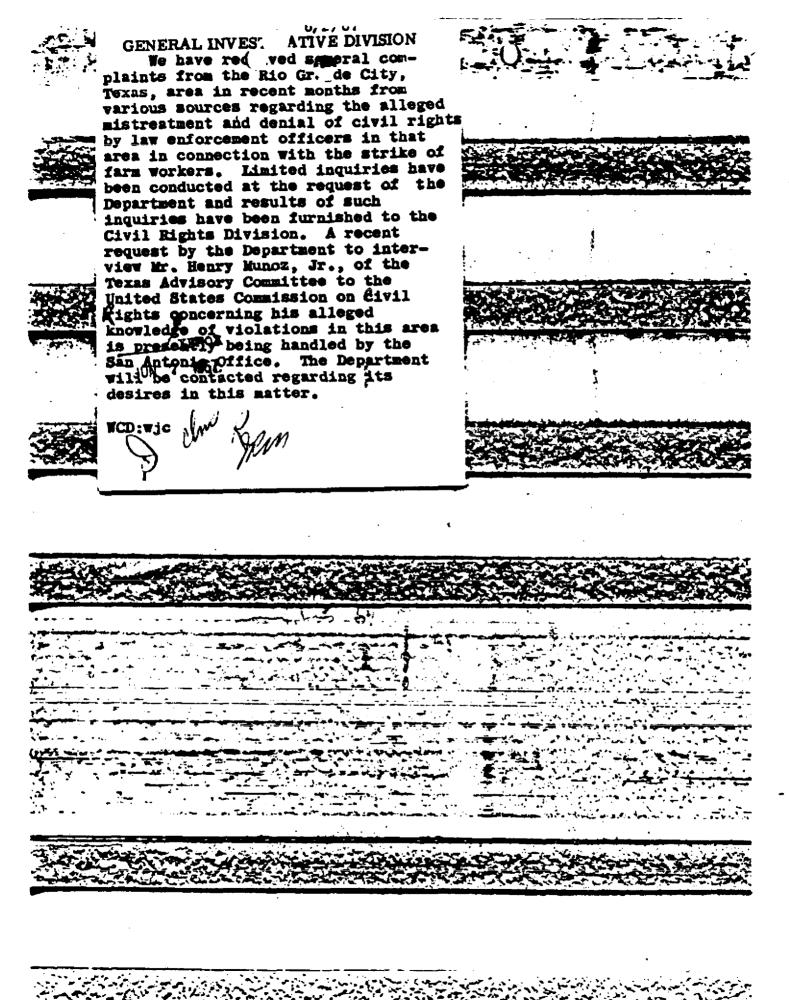
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CUNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING.

DAVID LCPEZ, STAFF REPRESENTATIVE, AFL-CIO, HOUSTON, TEXAS, PRESENTLY ASSIGNED RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, AS ADVISOR TO UFWOC. ADVISED AS FOLLOWS THIS MORNING.

AT ABOUT ELEVEN FIFTEEN PM. JUNE ONE LAST, FOUR TEXAS RANGERS COMMANDED BY RANGER CAPTAIN A. L. ALYEE, APPEARED AT UFWOC HEADQUARTERS, RIO GRANDE CITY, ARMED WITH SHOTGUNS INQUIRING FOR UFWOC MEMBERS MAGDALENO DIMAS AND BEN RODRIGUEZ. UF WOC ORGANIZER WILLIAM L. CHANDLER SPOKE WITH RANGERS, ADVISING THEM DID NOT KNOW WHERE DIMS ANDRODRIGUEZ WERE. RANGERS DID NOT MENTION CHARGE INVOLVED. IN CHANDLER'S OPINION, RANGERS WERE DRINKING. WHEN RANGERS LEFT, CHANDLER WENT TO FOUR ZERO NINE N.E. ST., RIO GRANDE CITY, WHERE DIMAS AND RODRIGUEZ AND OTHER UF WOC MEMBERS RESIDE TO WARN THEM RANGERS WERE LOOKING

FOR THEM. RANGERS REPORTEDLY ARRIVED AT HOUSE, SHOWED NO BANT, BROKE DOWN TWO DOORS, AND ARRESTED DIMAS AND RODRIGUEZ. REC 99

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ACCORDING TO UF WOC MEMBER KATHY BAKER, WHO WAS ALSO STAYING AT ABOVE RESIDENCE, RANGERS BEAT RODRIGUEZ AND DIMAS SEVERELY AND USE VULGAR LANGUAGE. NO CHARGE WAS MENTIONED. DIMS ANDRODRIGUEZ WERE TAKEN TO STARR CO. JAIL, RIO GRANDE CTTY. LOCAL PRESS REPRESENTATIVES WERE NOTIFIED OF ABOVE IMMEDIATELY BY LOPEZ.

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BETWEEN VARIOUS POLITICAL FACTIONS AND LEADERS. INCLUDING TEXAS GOVERNOR JOHN CONNALLY AND SENATOR RALPH YARBOROUGH (D. TEXAS). IN VIEW OF THESE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS. IT IS NOT DEEMED ADVISABLE TO CONDUCT FURTHER INVESTIGATION IN

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San Antonio, Texas June 3, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The June 2, 1967 edition of the Valley Evening Monitor, daily newspaper published in McAllen, Texas, carries an article on page 1 captioned, "Bernal Says Connally Will Be Asked to Remove Texas Rangers".

The article states in part that one Ben Rodriguez and Hagdaleno Dimas of United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) were arrested Thursday night, June 1, 1967. Dimas was arrested on charges of carrying a deadly weapon and disturbing the peace at La Casita Farms in Rio Grande City, Texas, and Rodriguez on charge of helping Dimas resist arrest.

The article states that according to Justice of the Peace Brigido S. Lopez, Rio Grande City, Dimas suffered a small cut near one ear and Rodriguez a small cut on one finger. Both were treated at a Rio Grande City Hospital on instructions of Justice of the Peace Lopez.

The article further states State Senator Joe Bernal, San Antonio, Texas, in a press conference in McAllen, Texas, on June 2, 1967, said he was going to ask Texas Governor John Connally to remove the Texas Rangers from Starr County on the basis that the rangers are present at the request of the produce growers and not the people, that the Rangers are making unjustified arrests, that a union member was recently jailed without being charged, and that Rangers used violence on June 1, 1967, while arresting two union members.

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The June 3, 1967, edition of the Express and News, a daily newspaper published in San Antonio, Texas carried an article on page one, which quotes one Dr. Ramiro/Casso, McAllen, Texas, as saying that Magdaleno Dimas, who was arrested on the night of June 1, 1967, by Texas Rangers "Took the worst beating I have ever seen law enforcement officers administer" and that Dimas suffered a brain concussion, a gash behind the ear, and "tremendous swelling near the brain".

The same article states Texas Ranger Captain A. L. Allee in an interview with a Harlingen, Texas, radio station, June 2, 1967, had said he, accompanied by two Starr County Deputy Sheriffs, arrested Dimas and Ben Rodriguez because he feared violence if they were left at large.

Allee said Dimas and Rodriguez were traced to a house where they were found seated at a table with their hands undermeath it. He ordered them to put their hands up; they refused to do so; and he and the deputies "used what force was necessary" to arrest them.

The same newspaper carries an article on page one which quoted Colonel Homer Garrison, Director, Texas Department of Public Safety, as saying charges of Rangers' brutality are "totally false and unfounded". He noted "The charge of police brutality is the common defense and cry of a professional criminal and agitator" and referring to statements by critics of the Texas Rangers said "If they obey the law, no Texas Ranger ever has or ever will molest them".

The June 3, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an

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article on page one captioned, "Keep The Rangers Here", which states petitions are being widely circulated among Starr County citizens directed to Col. Garrison, supra, thanking him for the presence of the Rangers in Starr County and urging that they remain. The purpose of the petitions, according to the article, is to oppose a statement by State Senator Joe Bernal of San Antonio, Texas, who has said he will ask Governor John Connally to remove the Rangers from Starr County.

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RE SAN ANTONIO TELETYPE TODAY CAPTIONED "UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZAING COMMITTEE. MISCELLANEOUS-INFORMATION CONCERNING."

IN ORDER TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE SITUATION IS MAINTAINED IN SAME FILE. FUTURE COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER WILL BE CARRIED AS CAPTIONED.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF BUREAU, ON JUNE TWO INSTANT.

SPECIAL AGENT. ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH MI GP. AUSTIN, TEXAS. ADVISED AN UNDATED LEAFLET ENTITLED. "MELON SEASON SONVOY, CARAVAN TO RIO GRANDE CITY". ISSUED By university of texas valley workers assistance committee, two JUN 8 1967 TWO ZERO ZERO GUADALUPE, AUSTIN, TEXAS, SET FORTH IN PART THAT ON JUNE TWO INSTANT, GROUPS FROM DALLAS, HOUSTON, AND AUSTIN, LIVERE DEPARTING FOR SAN ANTONIO WHERE THEY WOULD HEET AT THE TPRODUCE TERMINAL AT TEN PM. THE CARAVAN IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE 56JUN 1519<u>6</u>71

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SAN ANTONIO FOR RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TOMORROW MORNING AT FIVE AM, ARRIVING IN RIO GRANDE CITY ELEVEN AW AND WILL BE PICKETING FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE DAY. LEAFLET ALSO SET FORTH THAT A MEETING IS TO BE HELD AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS YMCA, AUSTIN, SEVEN PM, JUNE TWO INSTANT. IN REFERENCE TO ABOVE CARAVAN.

IT IS NOTED DAVID LOPEZ, STAFF REPRESENTATIVE,

AFL-CIO, HOUSTON, TEXAS, PRESENTLY ASSIGNED AS ADVISOR

TO UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) AT

RIO GRANDE CITY, HAS ADVISED THE UFWOC PLANS RALLY AT PUBLIC

PARK ONE BLOCK WEST OF UFWOC HEADQUARTERS, RIO GRANDE CITY,

JUNE THREE NEXT. ACCORDING TO LOPEZ, NO PICKETINGOR DEMMONSTRATIONS

ARE PLANNED AND RALLY WILL CONSIST OF SPEECHES BY VARIOUS UNION

OFFICIALS.

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ERASMO ANDRADE, STATE CHAIRMAN, VALLEY WORKERS ASSISTANCE
COMMITTEE, CONTACTED SAN ANTONIO OFFICE THIS DATE, RE INSTANT
MATTER AT WHICH TIME HE MDE KNOWN CARAVAN CONSISTS
OF STUDENTS, FACULTY MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS FROM DALLAS, AUSTIN,
AND SAN ANTONIO. CARAVAN TO ARRIVE RIO GRANDE CITY IN TIME
FOR RALLY TO BE HELD THAT CITY SEVEN THIRTY P. M., JUNE THREE
NEXT. COMMITTEE HOPES FRO THREE HUNDRED TO PARTICIPATE.
RALLY BEING CALLED ANTI-RANGERS RALLY ACCORDING TO ANDRADE.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND SECRET SERVICE COGNIZANT. LHM FOLLOWS.

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On the evening of June 3, 1987,

advised the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee had held a rally at a public park in Rio Grande City on that data which rally consisted primarely of speeches by local UNOC organizers. Approximately 150 people were in attendance at the rally and no significant events were reported.

The June 7, 1987, edition of the Valley Evening Monitor, a daily newspaper published at Coallen, Texas, carried an article on its front page captioned, "Senators Say Rangers Needed," which article states Texas state senators Oscar Mauzy of Dailas, Don Kenrand of Fort Worth and A.R. Schwartz of Galveston had completed an investigation at Rio Grande City, Texas, with the conclusion that Texas Rangers are needed in the Rio Grande Valley to prevent possible violence arising from the farm labor dispute in that area.

The same newspaper carried an article or Pige 1 captioned "NAACP Official Takes Look at Starr Dispute" which states Richard L. Dockery of Dallas, southwest regional director of the NAACP, was visiting Starr County making an investigation concerning complaints charging brutality by law enforcement officers and violations of civil rights.

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A third article on Page 1 of this newspaper states Colonel Homer Garrison, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, had received petitions containing about 1,800 names, 100 letters, and 100 telegrams supporting the Texas Rangage in the Rio Grande Valley farm dispute. He has received about ten letters critical of the Rangers.

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