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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

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

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM captioned as above which is suitable for dissemination.

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The June 13, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on page one captioned, "Union Asks Halt in Arrests of Picketers," which states that a group representing the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) at Rio Grande City filed a petition in United States District Court, Brownsville, Texas, on June 17, 1967, asking that Texas Rangers and local law enforcement officers in the Rio Grande City area be enjoined from "unlawful threats, searches and seizures, unlawful and groundless mass and individual arrests, detention, and confinement with complete disregard to due process of law guaranteed by the fifth and fourteenth Amendments of the Constitution."

The article further states that officials of the AFL-CIO affiliated UFWOC had outlined plans for a "long, vigorous union push and stepped-up civil rights action."

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TO:
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FROM:
SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

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

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Bureau's attention is directed to the following:


Bureau airtel to San Antonio dated 6/9/67 regarding the following cases:

UNSUBS; Texas Rangers; CAPTAIN ALFRED Y. ALLEE, Texas Ranger; EUGENE NELSON - VICTIM, CR (SA 44-1130)

UNSUBS; REVEREND ED KRUGER - VICTIM; MRS. ED KRUGER - VICTIM; DOUGLASS ADAIR - VICTIM; MAGDALENO DIMAS - VICTIM, CR (SA 44-1131)

UNSUBS; TEXAS RANGERS; PANCHO MEDRANO - VICTIM, CR (SA 44-1132)

UNSUB; TEXAS RANGER; CAROL BAKER - VICTIM, CR, (SA 44-1133)

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Agent in Charge

SOURCE: SAC, Civil Rights Division
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS.

Reference is made to FBI, San Antonio, memoranda dated June 13, 1967, captioned as above.

The June 13, 1967, Home Edition issue of the San Antonio Light, a San Antonio, Texas, daily newspaper, carried the following article on page six.

"UNION FORCES BRING VALLEY RIGHTS SUIT"

"A suit filed here Monday asks a federal judge to order law enforcement officials involved in the Starr County farm labor union dispute not to violate the civil rights of union members.

"U. S. Dist. Judge Reynaldo Garza, out of town when the suit was filed, was expected to return today.

"The court clerk said she will issue a summons for each of the defendants named in the suit. The suit, filed by the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO, asks for an injunction against five Texas Rangers, three Starr County officers, a special deputy sheriff and a justice of the peace.

"Doran Williams, a union lawyer, said the suit 'does not seek in any way to prevent those people from enforcing the valid laws of the state of Texas.'

"Two Weeks?"

"Another lawyer involved in the suit is Chris Dixie of Houston, Williams said.

"Williams said depositions in the suit, filed under the Civil Rights Act of 1968, will be taken from the defendants
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STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

"in the next day or two."

"Named in the suit are Texas Ranger Capt. A. Y. Allen, Ranger Sgt. S. H. Denison, Rangers Jack Van Cleve, T. H. Dawson, and Jerome Press, Starr County Sheriffs Dr. Rene Solis, Deputies Raul Pena and Roberto Pena, Special Deputy Jim Rochester, and Justice of the Peace E. S. Lopez.

"Rochester is an employee of La Casita Farms, the principal target of the union's year-long organizational drive. The California-based union seeks a $1.25 an hour minimum wage and union contracts for the field hands of Starr County.

"Rochester's brother, Ray, is vice president and general manager of the huge farm.

"Named as plaintiffs in the suit are Frank (Pancho) Medrano of Dallas, Ethel Baker, David Lopez, Gilbert Padilla, Magdaleno Diaz, Benjamin Rodriguez and the union.

"The Charges"

"Defendants in the case are accused of 'unlawful harassment, threats, searches and seizures unlawful and groundless mass and individual arrests, physical assaults and batteries and disregard for due process of law.'"

"Another allegation of the suit claims that Allen, Van Cleve and Press 'unlawfully and without warrants or justification,' arrested some of the plaintiffs. The suit also alleges that private property was taken from some of the plaintiffs and contends that some of the property was destroyed.

"William Kircher, organization director of the AFL-CIO, is scheduled to meet with Gov. John Connally at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Austin, according to Williams.

"A union spokesman said Kircher expects to discuss the Starr County labor dispute with the governor."
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STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

"Texas Rangers have been stationed in Starr County since the harvest of the million dollar melon crop began in early May. Local officials said they asked the Rangers for assistance.

"Houston Man

"The melon crop is almost harvested. Farm spokesman agree that the harvest may last another two weeks.

"Union officers have made almost daily protests concerning the use of the Rangers and last Friday took their protest to the governor when he went to Laredo to speak at a banquet for a Mexican-American organization.

"Since the melon harvest began, 65 persons have been arrested in connection with union activities.

"Cesar Chavez, national director of the union, ordered a halt to all picketing in Starr County shortly after his arrival at Rio Grande City last week. Chavez said the picketing would remain halted while the union attempts to file some legal actions."

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

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

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The hearings, originally scheduled for May 25, 1967, were rescheduled at the request of Walter Ruthr, President of United Auto Workers. The Subcommittee will meet in Rio Grande City and Edinburg, Texas, and, headed by Senator Harrison A. Williams, Jr., Democrat, New Jersey, will include Senators Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat, Massachusetts; Gay Lord Nelson, Democrat, Wisconsin; Robert F. Kennedy, Democrat, New York; George Murphy, Republican, California; and Paul Fannin, Republican, Arizona.

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JUN 20 1967

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)
SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO, aka National Farm Workers Association MISCELLANEOUS-INFORMATION CONCERNING

DATE: 6/21/67

Re: San Antonio airtel to the Bureau, 5/27/67

Referenced airtel noted that captioned organization has become active in the Rio Grande Valley area and is involved in organizational and strike activities in Rio Grande City, Texas, directed against the fruit and vegetable producers. San Antonio noted that some of the leaders of the group were active in United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) matters in the Los Angeles area and during the so-called Delano Grape Strike activities at Delano, California, in 1964.

As the San Antonio Division is aware, the Bureau, by letter dated 3/22/67 captioned, "UNSUBS; United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, La Casita Farms, Incorporated - VICTIM, AR", noted that in 1966 the UFWOC merged with the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA). The Criminal Division of the Department of Justice was advised that the Bureau had received considerable information which in turn was furnished to the Department relating to communist infiltration of the NFWA and various demonstrations by such organizations in connection with its efforts to organize farm workers in Texas and California.

The Bureau concluded its memorandum by stating that no specific investigation was being requested at this time, but each Office should insure that any incidents which might arise relating to organizational attempts or other activities by the UFWOC be promptly submitted to the Bureau.

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In this connection the Los Angeles Division has
made every effort to keep the Bureau fully apprised of any
marches or demonstrations instigated or sponsored by the
UFWOC.

San Antonio by referenced airtel dated 5/27/67
pointed out that the following individuals, all of whom
have been active in the UFWOC at Rio Grande City, were
believed to have been active at Delano, California. There
follows herewith a summation of the information available
concerning each of the individuals so named:

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

   The files of the Los Angeles Division contain
   no further information concerning NELSON that is not
   already in possession of the San Antonio Office.

2. WILLIAM CHANDLER, age 30 years.

   No further information is available in this matter con-
   cerning him.

3. DOMINGO ARREDONDO, age 31 years, white male,
   President, UFWOC, Rio Grande City, Texas.

   The indices of the Los Angeles Office contain no
   information concerning ARREDONDO.

4. GILBERTO PADILLA, white male, about 35 years,
   National Vice President, UFWOC.

   The indices of the Los Angeles Division contain
   several references pertaining to GIL PADILLA all of which
   connect him with the NFWA, Delano, California.

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PADILLA of the NFWA spoke at the Annual Festival of all Nationalities which was sponsored by the Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights (See Appendix) on 6/12/66 at 330 South Ford Boulevard, Los Angeles (Source: to SA).

PADILLA spoke before the Fellowship for Social Justice meeting on 5/6/66 at the First Unitarian Church of Los Angeles, 2936 West 8th Street, Los Angeles (See Appendix) (Source: to SA).

PADILLA spoke before the Los Angeles Socialist Workers Party (SWP) forum at 1702 East 4th Street on 6/3/66 on the topic, "The Grape Strikers - How they are Building a Movement". PADILLA was introduced as the Vice President of the NFWA and the individual actively leading the grape strikers' boycott in Southern California. He recounted the history of the strike and the grievances of the strikers. Attendance at the meeting was disappointing, according to its sponsors.

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

(Source: to SA)

On 11/10/66 the files of the were found to contain no
information identifiable with PADILLA. Moreover, the Tulare County Telephone Directory and Visalia City Directory did not mention PADILLA nor did the files of the for Tulare County or the City of Visalia.

There is being enclosed herewith for the information of the San Antonio Division a xerox copy of a report which was furnished to the Los Angeles Office on 6/16/67 by [redacted]. Pertinent portions of this report, which was obtained by SA [redacted], may be used in a report providing the informant is fully protected by appropriate "T" symbol. The original is located in Los Angeles [redacted].

The "Los Angeles Times", a large, daily, morning, metropolitan, Los Angeles newspaper, on 6/9/67 published an article concerning a forthcoming report to be issued by the California State Senate Sub-Committee on Un-American Activities which concerns itself in part with the 1966 Delano, California Grape Strike.

Senator HUGH M. BURNS, Chairman, said the report would indicate that there was some communist influence present during the 1966 Delano Grape Strike but "it was not a subversive activity as a whole". He told a press conference that the Delano situation "lent itself to participation by radicals and extremists". He added that Sub-Committee observers on the scene reported "indications of communist influence" and "individuals with subversive records present. But to say it was conducted by the Communist Party would not be correct." He noted that the strike had been called in a wake of a drive by the AFL-CIO, UFWOC led by CESAR CHAVEZ. He noted that CHAVEZ has conceded the organization includes some radicals but he insisted that there number was too small to affect policy.

The Los Angeles Division will attempt to secure sufficient number of copies of the Sub-Committee's report upon its release at which time the Bureau and San Antonio Division will be furnished the report.

As the San Antonio Division is aware, SAM KUSHNER, Los Angeles Editor, "People's World", has been in the Rio Grande City area and has filed reports with the "People's
World" concerning the developments in that area. The Los Angeles Office does not know of any other individuals from this area with known communist backgrounds other than KUSHNER in the Rio Grande area at this time.

There is being submitted herewith for the information of the San Antonio Division a xerox copy entitled, "A Summary Outline of a Method of Organizing" by BOB SOLODOW, which is based in part on the teachings of CESAR CHAVEZ and FRED ROSS dated October, 1966. This summary was furnished to SA of the Los Angeles Division by on 4/19/67 and is filed in Los Angeles.
APPENDIX

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES

A source advised on July 25, 1966, that the premises of the First Unitarian Church of Los Angeles, 2256 West 8th Street, Los Angeles, California, have been utilized for meetings by Communist Party members and sympathizers over a period of years. Speakers and lecturers at the church frequently espouse Communist causes or follow the Communist Party line. Communist front group literature is distributed at the church. The church is used by some Communist Party members for "mass concentration" work.

This same infiltration extends to adjuncts of the church such as the Unitarian Public Forum and the Fellowship for Social Justice, formerly known as the Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship for Social Justice.

STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN has been minister of the church since 1948.

Reverend STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN is described in the Fourth Report, Un-American Activities Committee in California, 1948, page 115, as a very active "Communist fronter" and connected with numerous "Communist front organizations and activities."

Membership in the First Unitarian Church does not, of itself, connote membership in or sympathy with the Communist Party.
APPENDIX

LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE FOR DEFENSE OF THE BILL OF RIGHTS.
formerly known as Los Angeles Committee for
Protection of Foreign Born, Los Angeles Committee for
Defense of the Bill of Rights and Protection of Foreign Born

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations", revised
December 1, 1961, pp. 103-104, describes this committee as
follows:

1. "A 'branch' of the American Committee for Protection
of Foreign Born found to be under the 'actual management,
direction and supervision' of Communist Party members. The
Los Angeles Committee was reorganized in October, 1950, and
reported that it 'shall be affiliated to the national organization
known as the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born
***' The American Committee and the 'various area or local
committees * * * constitute * * * one organization within the
meaning of the * * * statute (Internal Security Act)' under
which the Subversive Activities Control Board found the American
Committee for Protection of Foreign Born to be a 'Communist-
front organization' and ordered it to register as such with the
Attorney General."

(Subversive Activities Control Board, Docket
No. 103-53. Report and Order with respect to
the American Committee for Protection of
Foreign Born, June 27, 1961, pp. -1, 6, 11,
and 51.)

2. "Cited as a 'regional' organization of the American
Committee for Protection of Foreign Born and one of its 'most
complex affiliates.' 'The Committee on Un-American Activities
found that in early publications the local affiliates frankly
identified themselves as chapters of the American Committee for
Protection of Foreign Born'; their representation of themselves
as independent groups came only after enactment of the Internal
Security Act which would have required them, as affiliates, to
register as Communist-front organizations'.

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Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights, formerly known as Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights and Protection of Foreign Born

"Control of the local organizations * * * was made possible primarily by virtue of the fact that the leaders of the local group were Communist Party members and therefore, subject to the discipline of the Party * * *. The local affiliates * * * were actually little more than administrative staffs, whose purpose it was to implement the program of the Communist Party in their respective areas.

"The Lemp of January, 1950, reported that the Los Angeles Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born had been established on November 30, 1949. Publicly identified Communist ROSE CHERNIN served as 'the operation head' since the time of its organization.


The "People's World", a West Coast communist newspaper, issue of 4/23/66, contained an account of results of the 16th Annual Conference of the Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights and Protection of Foreign Born which was held 4/10/66. The accomplishments include a change of name for the organization to Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights, inasmuch as Defense of the Bill of Rights is all inclusive.

A source advised on 4/25/66 that the Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights, still referred to by many individuals as the Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, is currently active in the Los Angeles area.

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W.E.B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA (DCA)

A source has advised that on October 26-27, 1963, a conference of members of the Communist Party (CP), including national functionaries, met in Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of setting in motion forces for the establishment of a new national Marxist-oriented youth organization which would hunt for the most peaceful transition to socialism. The delegates were told that it would be reasonable to assume that the young socialists attracted into this new organization would eventually pass into the CP itself.

A second source has advised that the founding convention for the new youth organization was held from June 19-21, 1964, at 150 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California, at which time the name W.E.B. Du Bois Clubs of America (DCA) was adopted. Approximately 500 delegates from throughout the United States attended this convention. The aims of this organization, as set forth in the preamble to the constitution, are: "It is our belief that this nation can best solve its problems in an atmosphere of peaceful coexistence, complete disarmament and true freedom for all peoples of the world, and that these solutions will be reached mainly through the united efforts of all democratic elements in our country, composed essentially of the working people allied in the unity of Negroes and other minorities with whites. We further fully recognize that the greatest threat to American democracy comes from the racist and right wing forces in coalition with the most reactionary sections of the economic power structure, using the tool of anti-Communism to divide and destroy the unified struggle of the working people."

Over the Labor Day weekend, 1965, the DCA held a conference in Chicago, Illinois, and a new slate of officers was elected to the National Executive Committee (NEC) of the DCA. Since Labor Day, 1965, identities of those serving on the NEC has varied; however, according to a third source as of May, 1966, thirteen of the fifteen members of the NEC were members of the CP in the San Francisco Bay area.

As of July, 1966, the headquarters of the DCA was located at 180 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois.
The June 15, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published in Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on Page 1 captioned, "Texas Rangers Start Pullout From Starr," which states that a spokesman from the office of Texas Governor John Connally had announced the previous day that Texas Ranger Captain A. Y. Allec had begun withdrawing Texas Rangers from Starr County since, in his judgment, things had quieted down enough to do this.

The same newspaper carries a second article on its front page captioned, "Attorney General Asked to Send Federal Marshals to Valley," which stated that Domingo Arredondo, President of the Rio Grande City Chapter of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) had, on the previous day, directed a telegram to U. S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark requesting Federal Marshals be sent to the Rio Grande Valley to protect UFWOC members and their families from "the intimidation, violence, and violation of our constitutional rights by local law enforcement agencies and the Texas Rangers."

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20 JUL 4 1967

Approved: 
Special Agent in Charge
San Antonio, Texas
June 30, 1967

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

The June 28, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on its front page captioned "Suit Is Filed On Rangers" which states that a suit seeking an injunction against Texas Rangers and Starr County, Texas, law enforcement officers and charging violation of civil rights had been filed in Federal District Court at Brownsville, Texas.

Plaintiffs in the suit are the Texas Council of Churches, a Reverend Edgar Krueger and his wife Mrs. Esther Krueger of Pharr, Texas, Alejandro Moreno, Jr. of Mercedes, Texas, and Manuel Becerra, Jr., of San Benito, Texas. Defendants in the suit were named as Ranger Captains Alfred Y. Ailee, Rangers Jack Van Cleve and Tyler Dawson, Dr. Rene A. Solis, Sheriff of Starr County, and Roberto Pena and Raul Pena, Starr County Deputy Sheriffs.

The June 29, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, supra, contains an article on its front page captioned "Senators Set to Open Valley Hearings Today" which article states Senator Harrison Williams, (Republican, New Jersey), and Senator Ralph Yarborough (Democrat, Texas) had arrived in Harlingen, Texas, on the previous evening in connection with hearings to be held in the Rio Grande Valley by the Senate Sub-Committee on migratory labor. These hearings are scheduled for June 29 and 30, 1967.

The same edition of the Valley Morning Star also carried an article on its front page captioned "Order Bans All La Casita Picketing" which states that State District Judge C. W. Laughlin at Rio Grande City, Texas, on June 28,
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
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1967, had issued a temporary injunction prohibiting all picketing at La Casita Farms, which firm had been a principal target of organizing activities of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Antonio, Texas
June 27, 1967

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

The June 20, 1967, edition of the San Antonio Light, a daily newspaper published at San Antonio, Texas, carried an article on Page 17 captioned "Three Unionists Meet Connally," which states that Gilbert Padilla, a vice president of the United Farm Organizing Committee, Pancho Medrano of the United Auto Workers, and H. A. Moon of Dallas, also of the United Auto Workers, met with Texas Governor John Connally on the previous day at Austin, Texas, to discuss the Rio Grande Valley farm labor situation.

According to the article, Padilla said Connally rejected his suggestion that the Governor make a statement urging a union representation election supervised by the National Arbitration Association at La Casita Farms, Rio Grande City.

The article quoted Moon as saying that the Governor had said he was neutral in the dispute, as are the Texas Rangers assigned in the Rio Grande City area.

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MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The June 30, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on page one captioned "U.S. Senators Show Favor to Unionizing" which states members of the Senate Sub-Committee on Migratory Labor holding hearings on the previous day at Rio Grande City, Texas, showed open favor to unionizing farm labor and that most of the session was given to contentions from union members that Texas Rangers used brutality in making arrests during the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) organizing campaign in Starr County, Texas.

The same newspaper carried a second article on page one captioned "Sub Panel Men Rated Mostly Labor-Liberal" which states that the Americans for Democratic Action (ADA) in 1966 rated Senator Ted Kennedy (Democrat, Massachusetts) as having voted "right" one hundred per cent of the time. The rated Senator Harrison Williams (Democrat, New Jersey), Chair of the above-mentioned Senate Sub-Committee, as having voted "right" nine-five per cent of the time. They rated a third member of the Sub-Committee, Senator Paul Fannin (Republican, Arizona) as having never voted "right".

The article states that COPE, the labor action arm of the AFL-CIO, rated Senator Ted Kennedy's performance during 1966 as one hundred per cent right; Senator Williams' performance also was rated as having voted one hundred per cent right; while Senator Fannin was rated as having never voted right.

The article stated the above ratings are based on key issues selected by the ratings agencies themselves.

The July 1, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Star, supra, carries an article on page one captioned "Starr Officials, Allee Target of Williams" which states that Senator Harrison Williams, supra, Chairman of the Senate Sub-Committee on Migratory Labor, on completion of hearings at Edinburg, Texas, on June 30, 1967, had stated he planned to turn the transcript of the hearings over to the Justice Department for study in regard to alleged injustices to members of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee.

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

Mrs. Mildred Stegall called from the White House this afternoon. She advised that Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, is under the impression that the FBI has investigated and prepared a report on a series of incidents involving farm workers in Rio Grande City, Texas. I told Mrs. Stegall that I had no recollection of any overall investigation of this situation but that I would check and we would send over a memorandum.

As a matter of background, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, also known as the National Farm Workers Association, has been involved in organizational and strike activities in Rio Grande City for some time directed against fruit and vegetable producers. We have received and disseminated considerable data regarding this situation. We have also conducted several civil rights inquiries as a result of allegations of mistreatment and denial of civil rights by law enforcement officers in connection with the strike of farm workers in that area.

ACTION:

The General Investigative Division should prepare a concise, factual memorandum reviewing the background of this situation in Rio Grande City, indicating the extent and nature of our investigative activity in connection with the situation. A cover letter should be prepared to Mrs. Stegall forwarding the memorandum in response to her request. This should be expedited.

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S. B. DONAHUE

JULY 7, 1967
Memorandum

TO: Mr. DeLoach
FROM: A. Rosen

DATE: July 10, 1967

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING
          FARM WORKERS STRIKE
          RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
          INFORMATION CONCERNING

Attached for approval is a letter to Mrs. Mildred Stegall of the White House Staff, enclosing a letterhead memorandum setting forth information pertaining to the Farm Workers Strike situation in Rio Grande City, Texas.

On the afternoon of 7/7/67, Mrs. Stegall contacted Mr. Donahoe in Mr. DeLoach's Office and stated that Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, is under the impression that the FBI investigated and prepared a report on a series of incidents involving farm workers in Rio Grande City, Texas. Mrs. Stegall was advised by Mr. Donahoe that he would check on it and a memorandum would be sent over.

Enclosed memorandum to be furnished Mrs. Stegall sets forth information as to the background of the strike situation in Rio Grande City, Texas, which had its origins in the Southern California area when the National Farm Workers Association in September, 1965, joined a strike against local grape growers. Inquiries conducted by the Bureau disclosed that the National Farm Workers Association was not controlled by communists, but some of its activities relative to the strike against the grape growers were communist supported.

In May, 1966, Eugene Nelson of the National Farm Workers Association was organizing farm workers in Rio Grande City, Texas, assisted by Charles McKinley Smith, 9/5/66, about one hundred members of the National Farm Workers Association marched from Rio Grande City to Austin, Texas, to...
Memorandum Rosen to DeLoach
Re: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE

protest low wages paid to grape pickers, and since that
time the strikers have engaged in a number of protest
marches, auto caravans, and other incidents which have
received publicity in that area.

The Department and other agencies have been kept
apprised on a current basis of developments obtained by the
Bureau through sources and news media. No active investi-
gation has been requested by the Department in connection
with the strike situation under the Anti-Racketeering
Statute. The civil rights investigations conducted of
allegations against law enforcement officers arising out
of the strike situation in Rio Grande City have all been
completed and results submitted to the Department for
consideration.

ACTION:

If approved, the attached letter to Mrs. Stegall
with its enclosed letterhead memorandum will be forwarded.
Mrs. Mildred Stegall  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Stegall:

With reference to the conversation between Mr. Sterling B. Donahoe and you on July 7, 1967, forwarded herewith is a memorandum containing information relating to activities in connection with the strike of farm workers in the Rio Grande City, Texas, area which may be of interest.

While no active investigation has been requested by the Department of Justice in connection with the strike situation under the Anti-Racketeering Statute, the Department and other agencies have been kept apprised of information of interest to them on a current basis relative to developments obtained by this Bureau from sources and news media. In addition, this Bureau has conducted several civil rights investigations based on allegations of mistreatment as well as other deprivations of civil rights allegedly suffered by striking farm workers at the hands of law enforcement officers. The results of such investigations have been furnished to the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice.

The Attorney General has not been provided a copy of this communication.

Upon removal of the classified enclosure, this transmittal letter becomes unclassified.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

July 11, 1967

Enclosure

EX-115

July 10, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

Background:

"A source who has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that on September 8, 1965, the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO, declared a strike against grape growers of Tulare and Kern Counties, California. On September 19, 1965, the National Farm Workers Association joined the strike. This action brought Mexican and Puerto Rican farm workers into the labor dispute. The purpose of the strike was to demand an increase in wages for the grape pickers. (100-444762-72)

In response to an allegation that various officials of the National Farm Workers Association in the Delano, California, area had subversive backgrounds, inquiries were made by this Bureau which disclosed that while the union was not Communist controlled, Communist Party members or sympathizers had furnished support to certain activities concerning the strike against grape growers in California. (100-444762-48, 32)

During May and June of 1966, Eugene Nelson of the National Farm Workers Association was organizing farm workers in the Rio Grande City, Texas, area. Nelson reportedly had previously been active in organizing grape pickers in Delano, California. During the first few days of organizing activity in Rio Grande City, Nelson was assisted by Charles McKinley Smith. Smith is a resident of Austin, Texas.

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Note continued page 15...
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

On July 4, 1966, about one-hundred members of the National Farm Workers Association began a march at Rio Grande City, Texas, which was terminated on Labor Day, September 5, 1966, at Austin, Texas. The purpose of this march was to protest low wages paid to migrant farm workers. (100-444762-44,73)

On October 24, 1966, Eugene Nelson and a group of strikers proceeded to the center of the International Bridge spanning the Rio Grande River between Roma, Texas, and Ciudad Miguel Alemán, Mexico, where they stopped vehicles carrying farm laborers into the United States thus blocking traffic. Nelson was arrested after which about fifteen members of the group lay down on the bridge completely blocking traffic, and they were also arrested. (100-444762-71,75)

During 1966, the National Farm Workers Association merged with the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee and retained the latter name.

On February 1, 1967, the Starr County Sheriff's Office, Rio Grande City, Texas, arrested ten individuals on charges of disturbing the peace when they entered the La Casita Farms and harassed non-union workers. Reportedly, two of those arrested were connected with the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC). Subsequently, during the spring and summer of 1967, there has been a series of incidents including the alleged harassment of non-union workers by members of the UFWOC. In one incident in May of 1967, Eugene Nelson was arrested at Rio Grande City, Texas, after he allegedly threatened Texas Rangers by stating there would be some dead rangers unless they left the UFWOC pickets alone. Nelson was jailed in lieu of a two-thousand-dollar bond. (100-444762-104)

The Department of Justice and other government agencies have been kept apprised of pertinent information regarding this situation of interest to them which has come to the attention of this Bureau through news media and other sources. No investigation under the Anti-Racketeering Statute has been requested by the Department in connection with this situation. However, a number of civil rights inquiries have been conducted based on complaints of alleged mistreatment and denial of civil rights by law enforcement officials in connection with the strike situation in the Rio Grande City, Texas, area. The results of these investigations are summarized hereunder.

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Note continued...

This letterhead is classified "CONFIDENTIAL" as it contains information from confidential sources of continuing value, the dissemination of which information could reasonably result in disclosing the identities of such sources and thereby jeopardize their future effectiveness.
Memorandum

TO: MR. DeLOACH

FROM: S. B. DONAHOE

DATE: July 12, 1967

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

By letter July 11, 1967, we furnished Mrs. Stegall
at the White House a memorandum tracing the background of
the situation in connection with the strike of farm workers
in the Rio Grande City, Texas area. Marvin Watson, Special
Assistant to the President, had indicated an interest in
such data.

Mrs. Stegall called from the White House this
morning to express appreciation for the memorandum. She
advised that Mr. Watson, in reviewing it, had noted that
during the early days of the organizing activity in Rio Grande
City, Charles M. Smith, was a participant. Smith was described
as a resident of Austin, Texas.

Mrs. Stegall advised that Mr. Watson had requested
that the Bureau furnish him additional data as to the back-
ground of Smith, his participation in subversive activities
and the extent of his participation in the situation at
Rio Grande City.

ACTION:

The Domestic Intelligence Division is preparing
appropriate data.

SBD: (hmm)

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FBI CHICAGO

817PM DEFERRED 8-10-67 RF J

TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662) (P)

O NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, PAMPHLET DISTRIBUTION,
FEDERAL BUILDING, DEARBORN AND ADAMS, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.
INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ADvised instant
SIX UNKNOWN INDIVIDUALS, THREE WHITE MALES, THREE WHITE FEMALES,
WERE OBSERVED PASSING OUT PAMPHLETS IN VICINITY OF FEDERAL
BUILDING, DEARBORN AND ADAMS, CHICAGO, FROM FIVE THIRTY PM TO
SIX THIRTY PM. PURPOSE OF PAMPHLETS WAS TO ENCOURAGE PUBLIC TO
WRITE SECRETARY OF LABOR VIRTZ OR ATTORNEY GENERAL CLARK
PROTESTING ATTEMPT BY CALIFORNIA GROWERS TO BREAK FARM WORKERS
UNION THROUGH USE OF MEXICAN NATIONALS, ALIENS WITH WORK PERMITS.

AREA REMAINED PEACEFUL, NO INCIDENTS.
USA, MILITARY, SECRET SERVICE, ADVISED.

LHM FOLLOWS.

END

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FBI WASH DC

59 AUG 1 6 1967
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3:35 PM URGENT 8-10-67 CSM

TO DIRECTOR (100-67449) (P) 2P

FROM LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (P) 2P

COMINFIL OF UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE - AFL-CIO,

DELANO, CALIF., IS-C.

FOR ABOUT ONE AND ONE HALF HOURS DURING A.M. TODAY,

CESAR CHAVEZ, DIRECTOR, UFWOC, AND ABOUT ONE HUNDRED FIFTY

UNION MEMBERS PICKETED FRONT ENTRANCE OF FEDERAL BUILDING,

BAKERSFIELD, CALIF, CARRYING SIGNS RE CURRENT STRIKE AT

FARM-SUMARRA FARMS, INC., EDISON, CALIF.

END PAGE ONE

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100-444762-133X

57 AUG 22/67

MR. DELCLOTH FOR THE DIRECTOR
Picketing was orderly and no incidents. Local news coverage afforded picketing.

Airtel LHM follows.

End

BJP

FBI Wash DC

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CC: Mr. Sullivan
TO: DIRECTOR, F.B.I.

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)(C)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, PAMPHLET DISTRIBUTION, FEDERAL BUILDING, DEARBORN AND ADAMS, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Chicago teletype to Director dated 8/10/67.

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

Inasmuch as this is a single incident, no further investigation will be conducted by the Chicago Office.

Copies of this LNM are being furnished to the U.S. Attorney, Chicago, U.S. Secret Service, Chicago, and Region I, 113th Hi Group, Evanston, Illinois.

(5) Bureau (Inc. 2 Chicago 1-187-413)

CBG:mpc

Enclosure

2cc RAO CRIM. DIV. by O-C
1cc LABOR DESK, TICKLER

AUG 14 1967
On August 10, 1937, it was advised that six unknown individuals, three white males and three white females, were observed passing out pamphlets in the vicinity of the Federal Building from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. He stated the purpose of the pamphlets was to encourage the public to write Secretary of Labor Gifford Pinchot or Attorney General Clark protesting attempt by California growers to break Farm Workers Union through the use of Mexican nationals, aliens, with work permits. Also advised that there were no disturbances or incidents and that to his knowledge no arrests were made.

Attached herewith is a copy of the throwaway pamphlet passed out during the above period.

A copy of this memorandum is being furnished to the following agencies:

United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois

U.S. Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois

Region I, 113th Military Intelligence Group, Evanston, Illinois

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- ENCLOSED
MEXICAN NATIONALS ARE BREAKING THE DELANO STRIKE OF THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO!!

After being on strike since September 1965 and after winning three major contracts, the Delano farm workers must contend with thousands of illegal strike breakers. The powerful California growers are attempting to break the strike with Mexican Nationals. Right now they are recruiting "green card holders," aliens with work permits, in Calexico, California. Once across the border, they will be sent to Delano's grape fields.

On July 10, 1967 a Justice Department regulation (Number 8CFR211.1 to Public Law 414, the Naturalization and Immigration Act of 1952) prohibited the use of green card holders when the Secretary of Labor declared a labor dispute exists.

The California Labor Department, an agent of the U.S. Labor Department, has certified that bona fide labor disputes exist in Delano.

This attempt by growers to break a union must be stopped. Won't you please help by telegrating or writing Secretary of Labor Wirtz c/o U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D. C. or Attorney General Ramsey Clark c/o U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. or contact your Congressman. This could mean the life or death of the Delano Movement. We need your help to secure justice for the workers in the fields. Please help us before it is too late.

ENCLOSURE
FBI
Date: 8/11/67

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)(P)
SUBJECT: COMINIL OF UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AFL-CIO
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
IS-C

Re Los Angeles tel to Bureau, 8/10/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are original and six copies
of LHM entitled "PICKETING OF FEDERAL BUILDING, BAKERSFIELD,
CALIFORNIA, AUGUST 10, 1967, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO."

One copy each of LHM is being forwarded to U.S.
Secret Service, Los Angeles, and Region II, 115th MI Group,
Pasadena, California, and USA, Sacramento.

No further action being taken in this matter.

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.

Approved: Special Agent in Charge
62 AUG 23 1967
PICKETING OF FEDERAL BUILDING
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA,
AUGUST 10, 1967, BY UNITED
FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
APL-CIO

Between approximately 9:20 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.,
August 10, 1967, approximately 150 persons representing
the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO,
(hereinafter referred to as UFWOC), main headquarters,
Delano, California, appeared at the main entrance to the
Federal Building, 800 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield,
California, and began an orderly and peaceful picket
operation lead by Cesar Chavez, Director of UFWOC.
Participants carried picket signs, some of which read
"Huelga, Giumarra, UFWOC-AFL-CIO," "Wet Backs Break our
Strike," "Throw Out Wet Back Scabs," "Imigrate Enforce
the Law," and "Justice Now for Foreign Workers."

Members of the Bakersfield Police Department
were notified and on hand, but there were no incidents
in connection with the picketing and all activity ceased
when the participants left the vicinity of the Federal
Building at 10:45 a.m., August 10, 1967.

Approximately one week ago, UFWOC went on strike
at Giumarra Farms, Inc., of Edison, California, and
currently maintain picket lines at this location, although
a recent local court injunction has limited the number of
participants in the picket line at any given time. The
purpose of the strike is allegedly to force Giumarra to
recognize UFWOC as the bargaining agent for farmyard and
packing shed workers.
PICKETING OF FEDERAL BUILDING, BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA, AUGUST 10, 1967, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO
PICKETING OF FEDERAL BUILDING, BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA, AUGUST 10, 1967, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO

Special Agent, 115th Military Intelligence Group, Bakersfield, is aware of this matter.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)  
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)  
RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS' STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING  

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are seven copies of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.  

Inasmuch as information contained in LHM represents part of a continuing political-labor dispute, San Antonio is following through established sources.
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS' STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The August 14, 1967, edition of The Valley Evening Monitor, a daily newspaper published at McAllen, Texas, carries an article captioned "PASO Calls For End To Rangers, Connally Defeat", which article states that at a convention of the Political Association of Spanish Speaking Organizations (PASO) at Austin, Texas, on August 13, 1967, a resolution was adopted opposing the renomination of Texas Governor John Connally for a fourth term. The resolution stated Governor Connally sent Texas Rangers to the Rio Grande Valley to serve as "strike breaking thugs" in the farm labor dispute there, and the Rangers have shown they lack the necessary intelligence required to deal with human beings.

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Memorandum

SAC, San Antonio (Your file 62-3269)  DATE: 8/10/67

Director, FBI (File and Serial 100-444762) Room No. 904 9&D

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE (UFWOC)
MISCELLANEOUS — INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re: Hamiltel 5/27/67

☐ 1. Bufles indicate this case is delinquent. Give specific reason for delinquency.

☐ 2. DATE ☐ report ☐ letterhead memo ☐ submitted
☐ letter ☐ 90-day progress letter ☐ will be submitted

☐ 3. If valid reason exists for not submitting report at this time, state reason specifically and when report will be submitted

☐ 4. Status of ☐ Appeal ☐ Inquiry ☐ Investigation ☐ Prosecution
☐ airtel ☐ letterhead memo
☐ report ☐ 90-day progress letter by
☐ letter

(Place reply hereon and return to Bureau. Note receipt and acknowledgment on top serial in case file.)
FBI
Date: 8/29/67

Transmit the following in

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Via AIRTIA

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)
RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS' STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE
CITY, TEXAS — MISCELLANEOUS — INFORMATION
CONCERNING

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are seven copies
of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for
dissemination.

Since information contained in LHM represents part
of a continuing labor-political dispute, it is being followed
through established sources.

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Special Agent in Charge

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

The August 27, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on page one captioned, "Farm Union Official Who Accused Texas Rangers Held in Marijuana Case", which article states that Magdaleno Dimas, an official of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), was being held in jail in Torreon, Mexico, on a charge of possession of marijuana.

The article states Dimas and another member of the UFWOC, Oracio Carrillo, of Corpus Christi, Texas, were arrested in a hotel room at Torreon, Mexico, the night of August 23, 1967, with 26 small packets of marijuana in their possession.

Gilbert Padilla, Vice President of the UFWOC at Rio Grande City, Texas, according to the article, had stated that Union will probably consider Dimas' arrest a personal matter unless he was arrested illegally or the drugs were planted.

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FBI SAN ANTONI

12:06 PM URGENT 9/1/67 DAW

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE, PIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING.

TODAY ADVISED ON EVENING AUGUST THIRTY ONE, LAST, RALLY WAS HELD AT NEW BRAUNFELS, TO CREATE INTEREST IN MARCH TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, STARTING SEPTEMBER ONE, INSTANT, TO DRAMATIZE NEED TO RAISE STANDARD OF LIVING OF WORKERS IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY IN TEXAS. APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED PERSONS ATTENDED THIS RALLY.

SHORTLY AFTER SEVEN AM TODAY, THE MARCHERS LEFT NEW BRAUNFELS, EN ROUTE TO AUSTIN. MARCH CONSISTED OF SOME TWELVE PERSONS. MARCH WILL CONCLUDE LABOR DAY IN AUSTIN, TEXAS, WHERE RALLY IS PLANNED.

THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS. LOCAL AUTHORITIES PRESENT.

SECRET SERVICE COGNIZANT. LHM follows.

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FBI WASH DC

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57 SEP 16 1967
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

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

OO: San Antonio

Re: San Antonio teletype to the Bureau 9/1/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are seven copies of an LHM
suitable for dissemination.

Local dissemination has been made to Secret Service,
San Antonio and Austin; NISO; OSI; and 112th Military Intelligence Group.

Since this march represents a part of a continuing
labor-political dispute, it is being followed through estab-
lished sources.

The Bureau will be kept advised by LHM; however, if
any incidents occur, the Bureau will be advised by teletype.

57 Special Agent in Charge
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT AJO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

"it may have swelled to 200 before the night was over.

"The rally was set to whip up interest in the
march starting at 7 a.m. Friday in New Braunfels and
winding up Labor Day in Austin.

Among speakers Andrade said would be on hand
who didn't show were San Antonio's State Sen. Joe Bernal,
former State Sen. Franklin Spears, Fr. Antonio Gonzalez,
one of the leaders of last year's march, and Dr. Hector
Garcia, founder of the American GI Forum. In fact,
Andrade and Rev. James Navarro, the other leader of the
1966 march which wound up with a massive rally in Austin,
were left to perform the speaking chores.

"Andrade unveiled two huge granite markers, one
proclaiming 'Here Lies The Arrogance of the Texas Governor,
Sept. 1, 1966,' and the other reading 'Es Mejor Morir de
Pie que Vivir de Rodillas!' (It is better to die on your
feet than to live on your knees.) The first inscription
Wagoner Carr's confrontation with the marchers in New
Braunfels in 1966.

"Andrade explained to the crowd that both
Bernal and Spears had told him they would be present.

"Ruben Ruiz, state chairman of the American GI
Forum, told the group he could not at this time commit the
Forum to the march. Mike Ferdin, a member of the GI Forum
and also a representative of the Bexar County Equal Employ-
ment Opportunity Council, retorted that was the first time
the Forum was unable to commit itself to a cause of benefit
to the Mexican-American people, and he assured that there
would be representatives of the BCCEOC on the march.

"The Forum failure to stand with the marchers,
which position may be changed as the march progresses, also
triggered Fr. Sherrill Smith to remark that he's a member
"of the Forum and that he doesn't know why it or any other organization would hesitate to support the march.

"'One last little thing, my brothers,' Smith asserted. 'Until you get over being afraid of your own shadows, you're going to be walking in the shadows.' Smith did not make a speech.

"Andrade explained the theme of the march is 'Progress. Not Poverty,' and the marchers seek $1.25 an hour minimum wage plus interest.

"Navarro, who got out of a sick bed to attend the meeting and left afterwards for a hospital and blood transfusion, told his listeners they should register to vote in 1968. He described the poll tax as a shotgun for bear hunting.

"'Let's go bear hunting in 1968,' Navarro said. '"'Let's get some top officials in Austin that will lead us.'

"Navarro implored supporters not to let the spirit of the march die, and he described the march of 1966 as 'the greatest thing the Mexican-Americans ever had in the state of Texas.'

"The Houston minister said the Mexican-American is tired of being a reservoir of cheap labor for the state of Texas, and wants the same social, economic, and political opportunities enjoyed by every other citizen as guaranteed by the Constitution. He urged that the 1967 march be a replica of the 1966 parade to Austin from Rio Grande City.

"Reporting he is not an advocate of violence, Navarro said violence is not the pathway to freedom and to social, political, and economic justice. He added the Mexican-American wants advancement and progress and knows he can secure it within the framework of the law of the land. He said the 1966 march was a virtual revolution in
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

"that it kindled hope and caused elected officials to become more representative. Navarro discounted any significance in the relatively small crowd at the rally, pointing out the 1966 march started with only a handful and wound up with 20,000 to 25,000 at the Austin rally.

Among other groups represented were the Political Association of Spanish-Speaking Organizations, Lulac Council No. 2, and the Federation for the Advancement of the Mexican-American. Among other San Antonians present were Pete Tijerina, Tom Cahill, Laverne Redwine, and Joe Guerra, Jr., vice-chairman of the Bexar County Republican Party. New Braunfels Mayor Elliot Knox welcomed the group to the city.
FBI
Date: 9/5/67

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TO:
DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM:
SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

RE:
ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL WORKERS UNION AT GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING ASSOCIATION

OO: San Antonio

Re San Antonio airtel to the Bureau 9/1/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM concerning captioned matter suitable for dissemination.

Local dissemination has been made to Secret Service, San Antonio and Austin, NISO, OSI, and 112th Military Intelligence Group.

Information copies furnished Albuquerque and Chicago inasmuch as enclosed LHM referred to REYES, TIGERINA of the Federal Alliance of Free City States in New Mexico as having attended the Conference for New Politics at Chicago, Illinois.

Bureau (Eng)(100)(RM)
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(1 - 100-Federal Alliance of Free City States in Nov. 13, 1967)
2 - Chicago (Info)(RM)
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4 - San Antonio
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Antonio, Texas

September 5, 1967

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

Reference is made to FBI San Antonio memorandum dated September 1, 1967, captioned as above.

The September 5, 1967, issue of The Austin American, a daily newspaper at Austin, Texas, in an article entitled "Marchers Claimsing 'Sell Out!'" set forth in part that the Mexican-American marchers seeking a minimum wage law claimed a "sell out" by some of their own leaders as they staged a second Labor Day rally at the Capital; that Erasmo Andrade, the final rally speaker, stated "They've proven by their absence that they have sold out to the sources who want to elect Big John (Governor John Connally) to a fourth term"; that Andrade, head of the San Antonio Valley Farm Workers Committee, lead the fortyseven mile, four day hike from New Braunfels to Austin; and that GI Forum, the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), and the Texas AFL-CIO, all principal sponsors of the 1966 march, failed to support this year's demonstration.

The above article also set forth that Mike Ferdin of San Antonio, a member of the Bexar County Employment Opportunity Council, stated, "You have found out today who your true leaders are and who has been pulling the wool over your eyes. They are not here for one excuse or another, but the real reason is they are politically committed. Don't listen to those who are not here today or you will be marching again next year. Ferdin later said he was referring to the above mentioned groups who did not participate in this year's rally.

The article continued that a much-applauded speaker was Reies Tijerina, leader of the Federal Alliance
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

of Free City States in New Mexico, a group of Spanish-Americans who assert they are heirs to millions of acres in the Southwest due to old Spanish land grants; that Tijerina, who spoke in Spanish, said he and his brother Cristobal stopped in Austin while en route home from Chicago where they were delegates to the Conference for New Politics.

The article concluded by indicating that the march began Friday (September 1, 1967) with only fourteen walkers braving the humid weather with occasional rain; that about fifty reached the Austin city limits on Sunday; and that more than two hundred persons walked the last few blocks down Congress Avenue in downtown Austin to the Capital on Monday.

No incidents were reported.

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Date: 9/8/67

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)
RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
    STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
    MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of
an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

Inasmuch as this matter represents a continuing
labor-political dispute, it is being followed through estab-
lished sources.

cc: RA0 CRIM. DIV. by O.C
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Approved: Sent M Per

Special Agent in Charge
San Antonio, Texas
September 8, 1967

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

The September 7, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on its front page captioned, "Farm Union Ousts Marijuana Case" which article states that on September 6, 1967, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee at Rio Grande City, Texas, had voted to expel two union members, Madgalena Dimas and Horacio Carillo, who had been recently arrested in Torreon, Mexico, on a marijuana charge.

The article states Dimas has entered a guilty plea on the marijuana charge and has cleared Carillo of any involvement. Carillo has been ordered to Mexico City by Mexican officials for possible deportation as an undesirable.

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ENCLOSURE
TO:  DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM:  SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

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

Re San Antonio airTEL to the Bureau 9/8/67.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

September 14, 1967

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

Reference is made to FBI San Antonio memorandum dated September 5, 1967, captioned as above.

The September 12, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Light, San Antonio, Texas, a daily newspaper, carried the following front page article:

"Farm Workers Oust President

"The Valley Farm Workers State Assistance Committee -- irked at a restaging of the minimum wage march on the state capital -- has kicked President Erasmo Andrade, San Antonio, out of office, it was announced today.

"AFL-CIO Equal Opportunity Director Henry Munoz Jr. said the committee took the action over the weekend because of the 'fiasco' Labor Day march and the invitation by Andrade to Reies Tijerina of New Mexico to appear."

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: 9/18/67

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
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Bufile No: 100-444762
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Due to the opening of the Sacramento Office, the following action is being taken in the captioned matter:

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3. ( ) File retained at Los Angeles but one copy of the following serials transferred to Sacramento.

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FBI SAN ANTONIO
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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)
FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) 2 P

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH.

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

RE MY TELEPHONE CALL TODAY TO [REDACTED] AT THE BUREAU.

THE TWENTYFIRST ANNUAL NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE INVOLVING ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED STATE LAW MAKERS, IS PRESENTLY HEADING AT LA VILLITA ASSEMBLY HALL, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

NEWS MEDIA INDICATES THAT PRESIDENT JOHNSON WHO IS AT HIS RANCH, WILL ADDRESS THE CONFERENCE THIS EVENING.

A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, TODAY, ADVISED A GROUP OF MEXICAN-AMERICANS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN RAISING THE STANDARD OF LIVING OF ALL MEXICAN-AMERICANS INCLUDING THE FARM WORKERS IN THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY, PLAN TO PICKET THE CONFERENCE AT SEVEN P.M. TODAY. MR. JIM JONES, PRESIDENTIAL ASSISTANT WITH THE PRESIDENT, AS WELL AS SECRET SERVICE.

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MR. DE LOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR
PAGE TWO

AUSTIN AND SAN ANTONIO, AND SAN ANTONIO P.D. HAVE BEEN ADVISED.

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Furnished to Ag'nt Sec'ty Service
9/29/67

CC. MR. SULLIVAN
ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH

VIA: HFD DEMONSTRATIONS

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE

CITY, TEXAS. MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ACTIVITIES

REINSTATED TODAY.

AT EIGHT FIFTEEN PM, TEN PERSONS IN MEXICAN-AMERICAN

DEMONSTRATION, AND FIFTEEN PERSONS IN PEACE DEMONSTRATION.

AT EIGHT TWENTY ONE PM, PRESIDENT JOHNSON ARRIVED AT

LA VILLITA ASSEMBLY HALL. MEXICAN-AMERICAN DEMONSTRATORS

YELLED OUT "BOX THIRTEEN, BOX THIRTEEN", SIGNIFICANCE OF WHICH

IS UNKNOWN BUT MAY REFER TO INCIDENT IN CONNECTION WITH

PRESIDENT JOHNSONS EARLY CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION.

AT EIGHT FORTY THREE PM, TWENTY FOUR PERSONS IN

PEACE DEMONSTRATION.

AT NINE PM, PRESIDENT LEFT ASSEMBLY HALL. AS PRESIDENT

DRIVE PAST PEACE DEMONSTRATORS, DEMONSTRATORS YELLED OUT

"STOP THE WAR" "STOP THE WAR".

AT NINE ZERO THREE PM DEMONSTRATIONS ENDED AFTER

PRESIDENT LEFT VICINITY. NO INCIDENTS. LOCAL AUTHORITIES

PRESENT. AND COGNIZANT. LMF FOLLOWS.

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FROM  SAN ANTONIO (105-3237) (62-3269)
ATTENTION; ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH

VIETNAM DEMONSTRATIONS
VIVEN. INFORMATION CONCERNING. IS. INTERNAL SECURITY
O NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS--INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE SA TEL TODAY.

AT ABOUT SEVEN THIRTY EIGHT PM SOME TEN OR FIFTEEN PERSONS SUPPORTING MEXICAN-AMERICANS OBSERVED ACROSS STREET FROM LA VELLITA ASSEMBLY HALL, CARRYING SUCH SIGNS AS "VIVA HUELGA MARCHA". (HUMAN STRIKER'S MARCH).

AT SEVEN FIFTY PM, TEN PEACE MARCHERS OBSERVED NEAR OTHER GROUP, CARRYING SUCH SIGNS AS "SAN ANTONIO COMMITTEE TO STOP WAR IN VIETNAM". AMONG THIS LATTER GROUP WERE CP SYMPATHIZERS AND CP MEMBER, CP MEMBER OBSERVED IN VICINITY, BUT NOT ACTUALLY IN DEMONSTRATION.

NO INCIDENTS THUS FAR. LOCAL AUTHORITIES PRESENT AND COGNIZANT. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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TUP  TO MR. SULLIVAN
66 OCT 11  1967
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: FBI PHOTO LABORATORY

DATE: 10/4/67

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING 00: San Antonio Bufile: 100-444762 SA file: 62-3269

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Remytels to the Bureau 9/29/67 and San Antonio airtel and LHM 10/2/67 setting forth information regarding the demonstrations at La Villita Assembly Hall 9/29/67 during President LYNDON B. JOHNSON's speech.

Enclosed to the Bureau are 25 negatives of photographs taken during the demonstration. It is to be noted that these photographs are filed in San Antonio file 105-3237-1A3.

The Bureau is requested to make six (6) prints of each negative and return the prints and the negatives to San Antonio.

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SAC, SAN ANTONIO

October 11, 1967

Director, FBI

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STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
OO: San Antonio

File: 200-444762
SA file: 62-3269

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Reference is made to your communication dated 10/4/67 transmitting

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pertaining to the above-captioned matter.

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FROM: [Handwritten]

S. V. De Loach
San Antonio

TO: [Handwritten]

Director, FBI
ATTN: Assistant to the Director

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
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(SA 105-3237)

Remytels to Bureau, 9/29/67.

Enclosed to the Bureau are 15 copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination.

Copies have also been sent to Secret Service, San Antonio; Secret Service, Austin; 112th INTC; OSI, 10th District; and NISO, New Orleans.

It is to be noted that local authorities and Secret Service were present throughout the demonstration and cognizant of activities.

ENCLOSURE

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Special Agent in Charge
In addition, it is to be noted that information contained in LHM was furnished to the following individuals with the President at the LBJ Ranch on 9/29/67, at the times indicated:

11:14 a.m., Mr. JIM JONES, Presidential Assistant

2:27 p.m., MARIE SECHMER, President's secretary at the LBJ Ranch, by SA [redacted]

It is to be noted that on the last contact with the ranch, Mr. JONES was in conference with the President at that time and Miss SECHMER indicated she would convey this message to Mr. JONES when he was available.

The Special Agents of the FBI observing the demonstration were SAs [redacted] and SAC W. MYERS COLE and SA [redacted], were in the San Antonio Office coordinating.

Inasmuch as the activity concerning the farm workers strike at Rio Grande City represents a continuing labor-political-religious dispute, it is being followed through established sources.

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The enclosed LHM is classified CONFIDENTIAL inasmuch as it contains information from [redacted] through [redacted] who are informants of continuing value, the unauthorized disclosure of which could result in identification and compromise future effectiveness thereof.
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

DEMONSTRATION PROTESTING UNITED STATES
INTERVENTION IN VIETNAM

The September 28, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Light, a San Antonio, Texas, daily newspaper, carries an article that the Twenty-first Annual National Legislative Conference involving 1,600 State law makers is presently meeting at La Villita Assembly Hall, San Antonio, Texas. The article points out that President Johnson was due in Texas for an aerial inspection of the floodstricken Rio Grande Valley.

According to the article, the President has been invited to address the National Legislative Conference.

The September 29, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Express, a San Antonio daily newspaper, carries a front page article that President Johnson will address the National Legislative Conference state dinner Friday evening, September 29, 1967. According to the article, the state dinner will start at 7:00 p.m. at La Villita Assembly Hall.

SA T-1 (9/29/67)

Source advised that a group of Mexican-Americans who were interested in raising the standard of living of all Mexican-Americans, including the farm workers in the Rio Grande Valley, plan to picket the National Legislative Conference starting at 7:00 p.m. on September 29, 1967, at La Villita Assembly Hall.

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The following persons were furnished the above information on September 29, 1967, at times indicated by Special Agent

11:07 a.m., [Redacted], U. S. Secret Service, San Antonio, Texas

11:10 a.m., [Redacted], San Antonio, Texas

12:05 p.m., [Redacted], 112th Military Intelligence Group, San Antonio

At 11:18 a.m., [Redacted], Special Agent in Charge, U. S. Secret Service, Austin, Texas, was advised by Special Agent

The September 29, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Light, supra, contains an article indicating that President Johnson will deliver a major address on the question of Vietnam before the Twenty-first Annual National Legislative Conference at La Villita Assembly Hall, San Antonio, on the night of September 29, 1967.

SA 1-7 (9/29/67)

On September 29, 1967, [Redacted], San Antonio Committee to Stop the War in Vietnam (SACSWIV), advised that date she received a telephone call from a representative of the United Texas Committees to End the War in Vietnam. This call came from Austin, Texas. The United Texas Committees to End the War in Vietnam is an ad hoc collection of peace groups in Texas. [Redacted] indicated she has been asked to call the membership of the SACSWIV to request them to take part in a demonstration on the evening of September 29, 1967, at La Villita Assembly Hall during President Johnson's speech.
ACTIVITIES RE FARM WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY

ELIZABETH LYTELLE

[Redacted]

NATIONAL GUARDIAN

"Established by the American Labor Party in 1947 as a 'progressive' weekly. Although it denies having any affiliation with the Communist Party, it has manifested itself from the beginning as a virtual official propaganda arm of Soviet Russia." (Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, "Trial by Treason: The National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell," August 25, 1956, p. 12)

The Worker

The Worker is an East Coast communist newspaper.

SACSWIV

A characterization of the San Antonio Committee to Stop the War in Vietnam is contained in the Appendix hereto.

SA T-3 (9/29/67)

This source can substantiate in part information furnished above by SA T-2.

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The following individuals were contacted on September 29, 1967, and furnished information set forth above contributed to SA T-2 by Special Agent [redacted]

1:52 p.m., [redacted], supra
2:07 p.m., [redacted], supra
2:12 p.m., [redacted], U.S. Secret Service, San Antonio, Texas

At 2:28 p.m., [redacted], U.S. Secret Service, Austin, Texas, was advised by Special Agent [redacted]

Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed the following in the vicinity of La Villita Assembly Hall, San Antonio, on the evening of September 29, 1967:

At about 7:38 p.m., 10 or 15 persons supporting the Mexican-Americans were observed congregating across the street from La Villita Assembly Hall carrying such signs as "Viva Huelga Marcha".

At 7:50 p.m., ten peace marchers were observed congregating near the other group, carrying such signs as "San Antonio Committee to Stop the War in Vietnam." Among this latter group were [redacted]

At 8:05 p.m., 12 individuals were observed in the peace demonstration, including [redacted]. [redacted] was observed in the vicinity of the peace marchers but was not actually in the demonstration.

At 8:15 p.m., 10 individuals were observed in the Mexican-American demonstration and 15 individuals observed in the peace demonstration.
At 8:21 p.m. President Johnson arrived at La Villita Assembly Hall. As the President arrived, the Mexican-American demonstrators yelled out, "Box 13, Box 13".

At 8:25 p.m. [redacted] was observed in the peace demonstration. At that time there were 15 peace demonstrators and approximately 15 persons in the Mexican-American demonstration.

At 8:43 p.m. 24 individuals were observed in the peace demonstration and 10 individuals in the Mexican-American demonstration.

At 8:53 p.m. 23 individuals were observed in the peace demonstration. These individuals chanted, "Stop the war, stop the war."

At 9:00 p.m., President Johnson emerged from La Villita Assembly Hall and after entering his car, the car drove by the location where the peace demonstrators were standing and the peace demonstrators chanted louder, "Stop the war, stop the war."

At 9:03 p.m. both demonstrations terminated after the President left the vicinity.

There were no incidents.

Source advised that in addition to the above the following individuals took part in the peace demonstration:

SACSWIV

[redacted] member, SACSWIV

In addition to the above, source advised that [redacted] was observed in the vicinity of the peace demonstration but did not actually take part in the demonstration.
Source also advised that during the demonstration
was somewhat upset due to the fact that she
had called many people to participate in the peace demonstration
and these people indicated that they would. However, many of
the people she called did not show up.
ACTIVITIES RE FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY

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SAN ANTONIO COMMITTEE TO STOP
THE WAR IN VIETNAM (SACSVN)
Post Office Box 730
San Antonio, Texas

A source advised that on January 26, 1967, an
organizational meeting of a new group to be known as the
San Antonio Committee to End the War in Vietnam was held
in the Texas Room of the Gunter Hotel, San Antonio, Texas.

Plans for forming this group were initiated and
coordinated by John Stanford of San Antonio, Texas.
Stanford provided the majority of the names and addresses
of persons who were sent letters inviting them to attend
this meeting. Stanford helped to compose the preamble
and draw up the constitution of the committee. Stanford
used the constitution of the Communist Party, U.S.A.
(CUSA) as a guide for the constitution of this committee.

On February 21, 1967, the name of the organization
was changed to San Antonio Committee to Stop the War in
Vietnam (SACSVN).

A second source advised that the constitution
was presented in rough draft form at the first meeting on
January 26, 1967, amended at that meeting and at the next
meeting, and finally adopted at the February 21, 1967
meeting of the organization.

The preamble of the constitution read as follows:

"Believing that peace is of vital importance
to everyone, we have formed a group that will offer
an opportunity to study and promote the achievement
of a world without war. Peace is a social, political,
economic, moral, or religious distinction. We
welcome into our organization the individual
concerned with life instead of death, with health
instead of injury, with building instead of destroy-
ing, with development instead of degradation, with

APPENDIX
"humane instead of barbaric acts. The war in Vietnam makes imperative the immediate organization of a peace group in San Antonio. Peace must win, or we will sacrifice ourselves, our children and grandchildren to a senseless military machine never before equalled. The insane waste of war and preparations for nuclear war will create the eventual destruction of all humanity if not stopped. PEACE MUST WIN!!!"

A third source advised that on May 29, 1966, at the Texas CP Convention held at San Antonio, Texas, John Stanford was elected chairman of the CP of Texas. On June 26, 1966, during the 18th National CP Convention, Stanford was elected a member of the National Committee, CPUSA.
Title: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS' STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

DEMONSTRATION PROTESTING UNITED STATES INTERVENTION IN VIETNAM

Character

Reference: San Antonio memorandum dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

SA T-6 who has furnished both reliable and unreliable information.

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Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)  
DATE: 11/29/67

SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P#)  

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

Re: San Antonio let to the Bureau, 10/4/67.

Due to Hurricane Beulah, which severely damaged the Rio Grande Valley, on 9/20/67, and resulting floods, there has been little agricultural activity in that region. Since almost all crops were destroyed by the storm, the seasonal influx of farm workers has not occurred and, therefore, no strike activity has been initiated at Rio Grande City, Texas.

The next scheduled agricultural season is the melon crop June, 1968.

UACB. San Antonio is placing this matter in a pending inactive status for three months.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P*)
RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING 00: San Antonio

Re San Antonio letter to the Bureau 11/29/67, indicating that San Antonio was placing this case in a pending inactive status.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of an L&K captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

Inasmuch as this matter represents a continuing labor-political-religious dispute, it is being followed through established sources and news media.

San Antonio will continue to carry this case in a pending inactive status.

cc: Bureau (Enc. 9) SAC-Chi. 6/11-5
2 - San Antonio
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Approved: Special Agent in Charge

Sent M Per
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Antonio, Texas
December 22, 1967

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

The December 21, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Light, a San Antonio, Texas, daily newspaper, carried the following article.

"Dope Charge Filed on Farm Activist"

"Benito Rodriguez, 27, of 158 Gladstone, active last spring in the Rio Grande Valley farm labor movement, was in jail Thursday in lieu of $10,000 bond after being charged with unlawfully receiving, concealing and transporting marijuana.

"Customs agents reported they arrested Rodriguez Tuesday on a downtown San Antonio street.

"Four pounds of marijuana, which he allegedly brought illegally into the United States, was confiscated.

"Rodriguez was jailed in lieu of bond after a hearing before U.S. Commissioner Frank Baskin.

"Rodriguez took part in the activities in Starr County last spring of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO.

"Another farm union organizer, Magdaleno Dimas, was convicted in Mexico earlier this year for possession of marijuana. The union has canceled his membership."

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3259) (P)
SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: SAN ANTONIO

Pe San Antonio airtel to the Bureau dated 12/22/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LH! reflecting information received regarding new activities of Reverend ROGUE ALLEN KEUGER, KATIE BAKER, and FROBEN LOZADA, at Donna, Texas.

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SAN ANTONIO

AT DONNA, TEXAS. Will follow closely activities of subjects.

2-Bureau (Encs. 10) - San Antonio

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On March 12, 1968, [redacted] advised that recently Reverend Edgar Allen Krueger, Kathy Baker, and Froben Lozada established at Donna, Texas, in the Old Donna Hotel an office allegedly under the auspices of the Texas Council of Churches. The name of their particular organization is the Valley Community Service and they occasionally distribute free groceries to needy Mexican-American families and disseminate VISTA literature.

A membership drive by Krueger, Baker, and Lozada is recruiting many Mexican-American high school students and some adults from the general area. Meetings are held each Friday night and each member is paid $1.00 monthly as encouragement to attend the meetings.

[Redacted] has advised him that in the meetings the group discusses general abuse and discrimination of the Mexican-American element by "Anglo"-Americans and by the Federal Government. Frequent reference is made in the meetings to the successful unity of Mexican-Americans in the Rio Grande City, Texas strike of 1967.

[Redacted] stated that other local high school students whom he knows to be members will not discuss the organization in any way and [redacted] has provided the above information confidentially and reluctantly. [Redacted] advised that as the membership (which he did not estimate) grows, the organization is being divided into "councils" of 16 members each.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)  
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)  
RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS  
      MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
      00: SA  

Re San Antonio letter to the Bureau dated 3/13/68.  

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM reflecting information received regarding activities of Reverend EDGAR ALLEN KRUEGER, and FROBEN LOZADA.  

Also enclosed for the Bureau are two clippings from a high school civics class film, "Anarchy, U.S.A." furnished by on 4/26/68, containing photographs of a Negro speaker identified by .  

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AT DONNA and SAN JUAN, TEXAS: Will continue to follow activities of individuals referred to herein.  

Information copies of this communication are being furnished Miami, Jacksonville, and Tampa in view of their possible interest in this matter, along with one copy of LHM.  

ENCLOSURE ATTACHED  

1-Bureau (Enc. 12) (RM)  
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San Antonio, Texas
April 30, 1963

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

Continuous weekly contacts were maintained with [Redacted] that information furnished by [Redacted] was supplied by [Redacted]. It is noted and further noted that [Redacted] has become active in the Valley Community Service, an organization established by Reverend Edgar Allen Krueger and Proben Loeza at Donna, Texas, and subsequently moved on April 17, 1963, to San Juan, Texas. Weekly meetings were formerly held at the group's office at the old Donna, Texas, Hotel and at the Assembly of God Church, Donna, Texas.

Contacts with the above individuals developed the following information:

The organization, sponsored by the Texas Council of Churches, for the assistance of the poor Mexican-American population in south Texas, is also ostensibly sponsored by the VISTA organization under a project described as "VISTA Minority Mobilization Project for Texas," Headquarters, Southwest Regional Office of VISTA, Manager, Bill Hale, San Antonio, Texas. Actually in charge of the local project at Donna, Texas, is Reverend Krueger, a resident of Pharr, Texas, who received much help from Proben Loeza, a Donna, Texas, resident. The organization's avowed objective is to establish chapters similar to the Donna, Texas, chapter at Pharr, Rio Grande City, Bluetown, Gainesville, Santa Rosa, San Benito, Elsa, San Benito, Laredo, Laredo, Santa Cruz, Laferia, and Harlingen, Texas.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

DATE 9-20-62 BY S.P. BROWN
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ENCLOSURE
President of the Donna chapter is Pablo Diaz, age 50. Vice president is Brigida Castillo, female, 40 years of age. Second vice president is Jose Escamilla. Treasurer is Joe De la Rosa. Susan Tau, an "Anglo" described as a white female American, age 20, reddish-blonde long hair, 5'5" tall and always wearing a necklace of shells, is very active in the local group as is (First Name Unknown) who is presently residing at , with that he knows very little or nothing about VISTA but is in south Texas to help the poor and to participate in any future "marches."

Members of the group, including Froben Lozada and Reverend Keger, attended "La Raza Unida" meeting at Laredo, Texas, on March 24, 1968, to hear Senator Edward Kennedy speak.

Other members of the Donna chapter, Jose Escamilla, Joe De la Rosa, and three others, left Donna, Texas, at 4:00 a.m. March 24, 1968, and drove to Bartow, Tallahassee, Florida, and another unknown city in Broward County, Florida, to attend meetings. At these meetings in Florida, they spoke with many school teachers, two teachers from Missouri, two teachers from Washington, D.C., and many teachers from Florida. Several Negro speakers, using an anti-white theme, spoke to them in the different Florida locations, exact cities, meeting places and dates unknown. The strike of the Florida teachers was a prominent topic of discussion... was last year's farm labor strike at Rio Grande City, Texas. Many of the speakers in Florida, identities unknown, allegedly stated they would come to San Antonio and Austin, Texas, next year to assist in teacher strikes there. The Donna, Texas, chapter group returned home on March 29, 1968.
and have advised
that copies of a Spanish language newspaper, "Inferno," are
distributed frequently at the local meetings and described
the newspaper as an anti-war, sometimes anti-"Anglo" newspaper.
They also stated that Reverend Krueger, Froben Lozada
and Susan Lau speak frequently of Cathy Baker, a San Antonio
girl who helps the group but neither nor has met her or seen her at a meeting. They described
Froben Lozada as vehement in his opposition to the Vietnam
War, the Federal Government, and "Anglos" who abuse the
Mexican-Americans and Negroes. Lozada frequently reminds
the group that Mexican-Americans and Negroes are dying in
Vietnam at a much greater rate than white Americans.

On April 17, 1969, during the showing of a film
"Anarchy, U.S.A." in the civics class of Donna High School, Donna, Texas, Identified
one of the Negro speakers in the film as being identical
to one of the speakers his group heard during one of the
above-described meetings in Florida. The film, a few hours
later, was destroyed on the projector by an unknown
individual at the Donna, Texas, High School.

Both emphasized that the
chapter officers seem to be mere figureheads and that
Reverend Krueger and Froben Lozada supervise the group
almost entirely.

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Cross ties from a clipping from a high school class.

Enclosed are two photos of a stereo speaker.

4/30/68
SA File # 62-3269

ATTENTION: FCI LABORATORY
ENCLOSURE TO RUFKUZ (170-44762)
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)  DATE: 5/15/68

SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

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

OO: San Antonio

Re San Antonio letter to the Bureau dated 4/30/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an L/Xi reflecting information received in captioned matter. One copy of this L/Xi is enclosed for information of Tampa.

AGENCY: G-2, ONI, OSI, SEC. SER. STATE

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

On May 1, 1968, it was advised that [redacted] was discontinuing his association with the Donna, Texas, chapter of the Valley Community Service because of the adverse publicity he received after he distributed a handbill. The handbill, he stated, denounced the Vietnam war and accused white Americans of being responsible for the slaughter of Mexican-Americans and Negroes in Vietnam and for the murder of Rev. Martin Luther King. [Redacted] stated he was leaving Texas because freedom of speech no longer exists in that state and intends to go to California where an individual can honestly express himself.

On May 3, 1968, it was advised that the telephone number for the Valley Community Service, recently moved to San Juan, Texas, is ST 7-5421 and the address is 103 West Fifth St. It was noted that the organization is also often referred to by its members as the Valley Service Committee and Colonias del Valle. [Redacted] noted that Jose de la Rosa resigned his position as treasurer of the organization and is quite disgruntled because he believes Rev. Edgar Krueger and Froben Lozada were "leading him on" and were not going to help him join VISTA. [Redacted] further noted that many of the members of the Valley Community Service joined that group because they believed it was affiliated with, or was a prerequisite for, VISTA. [Redacted] also advised that Jose de la Rosa had informed him that when he and four other members of the group made the recent Florida trip, they had gone to the Florida Christian Migrant Minority Office at Bartow, Florida, where Rev. Ben Praticelli was director. [Redacted] stated that De la Rosa was very confused in his description of the Florida trip.
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
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and had also told [redacted] that Reverend Praticelli was located at 100 Liberty Avenue, Orlando, Florida. At these sites, the group, with similar groups from Missouri, Washington, D.C., and Florida discussed the Rio Grande City, Texas, farm workers' strike, teachers' strike in Florida, and potential future teachers' strikes in Missouri and San Antonio and Dallas, Texas.

[redacted] further stated that Reverend Nehemias (Ned) Garcia, formerly of the Second Presbyterian Church at Harlingen, Texas, had joined the Valley Community Service as a representative of the Migrant Minority Department of the Texas Council of Churches. [redacted] stated that Reverend Garcia has a wife and four children and now resides at McAllen, Texas, and is being used by the organization as a frequent speaker at invitational dinners and meetings. Reverend Garcia and Leo Nieto were the chapter's representatives for the funeral of Martin Luther King at Atlanta, Georgia.

On May 8, 1968, [redacted] advised that Froben Lozada departed Donna, Texas, on May 6, 1968 on route to the San Francisco, California. [redacted] that the Valley Community Service was sending representatives to the Poor People's March on Washington, D.C., and has issued a call for volunteer vehicles and individuals. He emphasized to her that the struggle of the Negro is the struggle of the Mexican and predicted that both would eventually be victorious.

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FBI SAN FRAN.
1210PM DEFERRED 5/23/68 JOC
TO DIRECTOR
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (157-NEW)

POSSIBLE PICKETING OF U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, MAY TWENTY-NINE, NEXT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.: RM 9/1/68.

ON MAY TWENTY-TWO, LAST, ADVISED THAT ONE FRANK BYER, WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF CESAR CHAVEZ, DIRECTOR OF UNITED FARM WORKERS, AFL-CIO, A LEADER IN THE GRAPE STRIKE OF AGRICULTURAL WORKERS AT DELANO, CALIF., STATED THAT THE FARM WORKERS INTENDED TO PICKET U.S. AG RAMSEY CLARK DURING HIS APPEARANCE BEFORE THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF SOCIAL WORKERS AT EIGHT THIRTY P.M., MAY TWENTY-NINE, NEXT AT THE CIVIC AUDITORIUM, SAN FRANCISCO. CITED INDICATED REASON FOR PICKET WAS THAT US AG RULED AGAINST FARM WORKERS IN RECENT DECISION INVOLVING IMMIGRANT LABOR.

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ON THIS DATE ADVISED THAT THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF SOCIAL WORKERS WOULD RUN FROM MAY TWENTY-SIX THROUGH MAY THIRTY-FIRST, NEXT, AND THAT

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US AG CLARK WAS SCHEDULED TO TALK ON MAY TWENTY-NINE NEXT AT EIGHT THIRTY P.M. AND WOULD BE STAYING AT THE HILTON HOTEL, SAN FRANCISCO. MATTER WILL BE FOLLOWED AND PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS REPORTED. SF PD AWARE; SECRET SERVICE AND APPROPRIATE INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES BEING ADVISED.

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ROOM 836 9&D
POSSIBLE PICKETING OF UNITED STATES ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, MAY 29, 1968
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

advised our San Francisco Office that he had received information that the United Farm Workers intend to stage a picketing demonstration during your appearance before the National Conference of Social Workers in San Francisco, California, on May 29, 1968. stated that he received the information from an individual who identified himself as a representative of Cesar Chavez, Director of United Farm Workers, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations, a leader in the agricultural workers' strike at Delano, California.

advised that his source stated the picketing demonstration is to protest a recent ruling regarding immigrant farm workers.

The above is being furnished for your information, and you will be advised of any further pertinent developments.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General
1 - Mr. Stephen J. Pollak
   Assistant Attorney General
1 - Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr.
   Assistant Attorney General

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SEE NOTE PAGE TWO
The Attorney General

NOTE:

By teletype dated 5/23/68, San Francisco advised that [redacted] had furnished information concerning the possible picketing at the appearance of the Attorney General. [redacted] of the National Conference of Social Workers advised that the National Conference is scheduled for 5/26-31/68 and that the Attorney General is scheduled to talk on 5/29/68. According to [redacted], the Attorney General will be staying at the Hilton Hotel in San Francisco. Our San Francisco Office is following this matter and will advise the Bureau of any pertinent developments.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-197) (RUC)

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE PICKETING OF U. S. ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, 5/29/68
San Francisco, California
RACIAL MATTERS

Re: Fairtel 5/24/68.

Sacramento indices are negative as to FRANK BYER.

2 - Bureau (RM)
1 - Los Angeles (Info) (RM)
1 - San Francisco (Info) (RM)
2 - Sacramento
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RCR: none
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POSSIBLE PICKETING OF U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, MAY TWENTY-NINE NEXT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. RACIAL MATTERS.

REMYTEL FIVE TWENTY-THREE LAST AND FIVE TWENTY-FOUR LAST. USAG MET AT SF INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT BY SAC CHARLES BATES AND DELIVERED TO HILTON HOTEL SAN FRANCISCO WITHOUT INCIDENT THIS DATE.

AT SEVEN FORTY-FIVE PM PICKETS NUMBERED SEVENTY-SIX. MAXIMUM NUMBER AT EIGHT-FORTY PM WAS THREE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SEVEN. APPROXIMATELY ONE HALF OF PICKETS WERE WEARING BADGE CREDENTIALS OF THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF SOCIAL WELFARE. AT EIGHT-FIFTY PM PICKETS NUMBERED ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-EIGHT. PICKETING ENDED AT NINE ZERO FIVE PM. SIGNS CARRIED BY PICKETS INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:

"QUIT DRAFTING STRIKE BREAKERS."
"U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INJUSTICE."
"SUPPORT DELANO (CALIF.) FARM WORKERS." THE PICKETS WERE CHANTING
"DON'T BUY GRAPES." PICKETS WERE ORDERLY, WELL DRESSED, AND OBEYED
REQUESTS OF SFPD.

PICKETS ENTERED CONTINENTAL BALLROOM WHERE USAG WAS SPEAKING FROM ABOUT NINE FIFTEEN TO NINE THIRTY PM. THE PICKET LEADER WITH THE
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SF 157-1424

AID OF A POWER BULLHORN INTERRUPTED SPEECH WITH QUESTIONS AND RECITED PLEDGE NOT TO BUY GRAPES. MAJORITY OF AUDIENCE BOOED INTERRUPTIONS, SPEECH TERMINATED AT NINE THIRTY-FIVE PM. APPROXIMATELY TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED IN AUDIENCE.

AG RETURNING TO WASHINGTON ON TEN-THIRTY PM FLIGHT.

NO INCIDENTS OR ARRESTS TOOK PLACE.

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FBI WASH DC

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LHM follows.

ROOM 836 9&D
Memorandum

TO: Director, FBI

DATE: 5/27/68

FROM: SAC, Los Angeles (157-2385)(RUC)

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE PICKETING OF
U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK
BY UNITED FARM WORKERS
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
5/29/68
RM

Re San Francisco airtel to Bureau dated 5/24/68.

Based on information furnished by San Francisco,
Los Angeles indices are negative on FRANK BYER.

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2 - San Francisco
1 - Los Angeles
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15 JUN 68
DIRECTOR, F.B.I. (44-36526)  5/22/68

S.A., SAN ANTONIO (44-1111) (G)

TEXAS BANDER CAPTAIN ALFRED Y. ALLAN,
- KENTUCKY JACK, VAI CLEVEL. ET AL,
- ALFRED ALLAN ANDERSON,
- LESTER GOLVAAN ALLAN,
- LEROY COBHAM ALLAN, III, ET AL.

VICTIM:
- CHARLES ARNETT - CIVIL RIGHTS

O. 3/15/68.

The report of FBI at San Antonio dated

Enclosed for information of bureau are 12 copies of
a L.C. in this matter.

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TEXAS RANGER CAPTAIN ALFRED Y. ALLEE;
RANGER JACK VAN CLEVE; ET AL;
EDGAR ALLEN KRUEGER;
ESTHER GUEVARA KRUEGER;
DOUGLASS GRAYBILL ADAIR, III; ET AL –
VICTIMS

On May 25, 1968, the following story appeared on page
one of the Valley Morning Star newspaper, Harlingen, Texas:
FOR ENFORCING LAW IN VALLEY LAST SUMMER

TCC May Drop Suit Against Rangers

By SAM GERALD

Immediate past president of the Texas Craft Council, the TCC, said the TCC may not have a lawsuit against the Rangers if the suit no. 10 is dropped. He said the council is "very hopeful" about the chances for an "amicable" settlement. He said the church group maintained a "ministry of understanding" in the Valley, from Starr County on down, when demonstrators tried to stop the Texas-Pacific trains hauling melons out of the area in which union and church outsiders from California, San Antonio, and other points were trying to organize farm workers who didn't want to organize.

The suits got out of their "full" that it will "win its case" up talks, but they came of claiming that because the trains were being used in the Valley, it has not been clear exactly what the courts can do. The suits have been trying to win the known liberal Farm Workers Organizing Committee (AF-CIO) to organize the farm workers on the larger melon farms in Starr County.

New Mood

The Council of Churches at Austin. "There's an "unions" activity in the Valley," said charges that the TCC was unnecessary, since indispensable," he the Texas Craft Council, acting as an arm of union of pickets, and that one man at a Board probe, he said. It was organized in the Valley are false-filled with the TCC through a not clear what the LCB probe. "If anyone can prove that a small church group, Ed Krueger, has to do with the TCC suit on TCC minister served as a tool of the Ranger, and his wife received the Rangers, but he added that for the union, he (the minister) when you get people to the rough treatment during that go no one any longer finds the job will be fired. It's made that of power of leadership, it becomes a problem in one incident. It is this suit which may be rowy - we never had it so ever been taken up on it. The in a new way," he said. "This reason speaks for itself." he upset a lot of people. He said for this week, the Rev. Gerald McAllister said the council. He said the TCC associated the church's responsibility is to McAllister, a member of the church who has authorized its new president union leaders because it is "to see that the voice" (of the or staff of the Bishop of the Episcopal Methodist Bishop W. Ken-"believes in the right of associ-"nized workers is "met post." It was the craft council in San Antonio on the issue of the craft council in the craft council.

Referee LePage, Pope of Dallas, to "try to get another purpose." He added that if not,
Rangers

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The other suit is to come up for trial in federal court in Brownsville in mid-May, but has been postponed until June 11. That will make it pending for about a year, since it was filed on June 12 last year by the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee against the Rangers and officials of the Starr County sheriff's department. It is to be heard before a three-judge court.

Defendants

The suit names specifically Ranger Capt. A. J. Allen, Texas Rangers S. H. Denson, Jack Van Cleve, Jerome Freiss, and T. H. Dawson; Sheriff Dr. Rene Solis, Deputy Sheriffs Raul and Roberto Pena and Special Deputy Sheriff Jim Rochester, all of Starr County, and Justice of the Peace B. S. Lopez, also of Rio Grande City.

They were charged by members of the UFWOC with depriving members of the "union" of their constitutional rights under the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments of the Constitution.

The "deprivation" was in connection with arrests and detention of "union" members during the months-long picketing of Starr County produce farms.

Among the plaintiffs is Gilbert Padilla, vice president of the "union" who was an associate of Cesar Chavez, founder of the California farm union of which the Texas organization is a splinter. Padilla now is in charge of the Valley "union." Last summer in Rio Grande City staged a rally to protest the presence of Rangers there during picketing action and other demonstrations. Members of the union were arrested following numerous incidents.

Violence was rampant in the long months of the unionization effort. A railroad bridge was burned, cars were burned, citizens were threatened and trains were delayed. Rangers had to ride shotguns on the trains going out of the Valley carrying passengers.

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FBI
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Via AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-1424)(C)

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE PICKETING OF U.S.
ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK
BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, 5/29/68
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
RM

Remytels 5/23-30/68 and LHM dated 5/24/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM.

U.S. Attorney General RAMSEY CLARK was met at
the San Francisco International Airport by SAC CHARLES W.
BATES and escorted to the Hilton Hotel, San Francisco,
without incident. U.S. Attorney General proceeded back
to Washington, D.C. after speech.

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Now Form: 6/4/68

By: E.P.

Bureau (Encls. 11)(RM)
San Francisco
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(1-157-243)(RACIAL MATTERS, SAN FRANCISCO)

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C. Bishop

Approved: JUN 12 1968

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Per:
POSSIBLE PICKETING OF U.S.
ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK
BY UNITED FARM WORKERS,
MAY 29, 1968, SAN FRANCISCO,
CALIFORNIA

Reference is made to a memorandum dated May 24, 1968
captioned as above.

Copies of this memorandum are being distributed
locally to the Army, Navy, Air Force, United States Attorney,
San Francisco and Secret Service, San Francisco.

Picketing at the San Francisco Hilton Hotel began
at 7:30 p.m. by the United Farm Workers AFL-CIO in preparation
for the address to be given by U.S. Attorney General RAMSEY
CLARK. At 7:45 p.m. pickets numbered 67. The maximum number
of pickets was reached at 8:45 p.m. when 367 encircled the
entire hotel. Approximately one-half of the pickets were
wearing badge credentials of the National Conference of Social
Welfare whose convention the U.S. Attorney General was addressing.
Picketing ended at 9:05 p.m.

Signs carried by pickets included, "Quit Drafting
Strike Breakers," "U.S. Department of Injustice," and "Support
Delano (California) Farm Workers." The pickets were chanting
"Don't Buy Grapes." Picketing was orderly and obeyed request
of the San Francisco, California Police Department in regard
to areas of picketing and blocking of entrances.

The pickets entered the Continental Ballroom of the
Hilton Hotel and from 9:15 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. the picket leader,
with the aid of a power bullhorn, interrupted the speech of
the U.S. Attorney General demanding Federal enforcement of laws
against strike breakers. RAMSEY CLARK was speaking on "legal
rights for all." The individual with the bullhorn recited a

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MAY 29, 1968, SAN FRANCISCO,
CALIFORNIA

pledge not to buy grapes and requested audience participation
in the pledge. The majority of the audience resented the
interruptions. The speech was terminated at 9:35 p.m. The
audience was estimated at 2500.

No arrests were made. In the ballroom each seat
had literature on it put out by the United Farm Group charging
that the government is allowing Mexican laborers issued green
cards to work on farms involved in labor disputes despite
a regulation prohibiting the alleged strike breaking.