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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-459865)

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-53380) (P)

DATE: MAR 28 1972

SUBJECT: SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS FOR SOCIAL  
AND POLITICAL ACTION (SESPA)  
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Re Chicago airtel to Bureau, 2/2/72.

Enclosed for WFO, for background information, is one copy of Philadelphia airtel to Bureau and LHM dated 1/21/72, captioned "American Association For The Advancement of Science (AAAS) Convention, 12/26-30/71, Philadelphia, Pa."

Information was received from the Boston Division prior to the AAAS Convention in Philadelphia, that the National Organization of Scientists and Engineers for Social and Political Action (SESPA), also known as Science For The People, planned to non-violently take over the AAAS Convention in Philadelphia, 12/26-30/71.

In December 1969 and 1970, SESPA took over portions of the AAAS Conventions when they were held in Boston and Chicago respectively. Because of the past two year take-overs, AAAS granted SESPA a major portion of the convention in order to appease their past tactics.

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SESPA is a national organization of scientists and engineers who pursue their goal of making "Science Serve the People" and their goals include making the government sponsor scientific research for the research itself and not for the advancement of military armaments.

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- ② - Bureau (100-459865) (RM)
- 2 - Boston (100-42304) (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Chicago (100-51732) (Info)(RM)
- 1 - Detroit (Info) (RM)
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To possibly assist other offices in determining members of captioned organization, by a weeding out process, the Chicago Division requested Philadelphia to obtain the guest list of scientists who attended the convention. Philadelphia was also requested to obtain the headquarter address of AAAS and request that office to obtain, through appropriate sources, the identities of individuals known to it either as members of captioned organization or as disrupters at the convention in Philadelphia, 12/1/71.

On 2/23/72, [redacted] [redacted] Sheraton Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa., was reluctant to furnish the guest list of scientists who attended the convention because he felt this was confidential information. [redacted] [redacted], and formerly [redacted] at the Sheraton Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa., is no longer with the hotel. Philadelphia will not further attempt to obtain the guest list of scientists.

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[redacted] Sales Department, Sheraton Hotel, 17th and J.F.K. Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pa., advised on March 10, 1972 that AAAS Headquarters is located at 1515 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., 202-467-4400. [redacted] stated [redacted] handled the reservations for the convention and since attendance at any of the various seminars required convention registration, possibly AAAS would have a list of individuals representing SESPA who actually attended the convention, or were invited to attend.

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Will contact [redacted] American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1515 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., and determine if AAAS is in possession of information that will identify members of captioned

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organization or disrupters to their convention in Philadelphia, 12/71. If such information is available, will advise respective divisions of the identity of such individuals.