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TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : ASAC, BOSTON (P)  
SUBJECT: SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS FOR  
SOCIAL AND POLITICAL ACTION (SESPA), aka  
Science for the People  
IS - REVACT  
(OO: Boston)  
(BUfile: 100-459865)  
(BSfile: 100-42304)

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Re Boston teletype to the Bureau, 2/13/73; San Francisco teletypes to the Bureau, 2/16, 2/17, 2/21 and 2/28/73; Chicago nitel to Bureau, 2/20/73; St. Louis nitel to Bureau, 2/16/73; and San Francisco airtel and LHM, 2/21/73. (u)

Enclosed for the Bureau are eleven (11) copies of an LHM dated as above, and captioned "Scientists and Engineers for Social and Political Action (SESPA), aka Science for the People." Six (6) of the copies are being forwarded to Legat, Hong Kong. Also enclosed for the Bureau are two (2) copies of a letter to Mr. LAO HSIN, Peoples Republic of China (PRC) Embassy, Ottawa, from [redacted] and [redacted].

- ④ - Bureau (Encls. 13) (RM)  
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3 - Minneapolis (Encls. 3) (RM)  
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3 - St. Louis (100-22517) (Encls. 3) (RM)  
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(2 - 100-63465) (SESPA)  
(2 - [redacted])  
1 - Boston  
(2 - 100-42304) (SESPA)  
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Enclosed for other recipient offices, except San Francisco, are three (3) copies of the attached LHM, and for San Francisco, four (4) copies are enclosed. Also, enclosed for Albany is one (1) copy of re San Francisco airtel and LHM. (u)

Review at Boston of communications which have come from various offices concerning SESPA's trip to China indicates that Albany did not receive a copy of referenced communications. All pertinent information regarding this trip is outlined in this LHM and the LHM by San Francisco. (u)

For the information of Albany, one (1) participant in SESPA trip to China as mentioned here in attached LHM was [redacted]. At the time of original information on 2/16/73, source of the Boston Office advised that [redacted] was unknown to source, but that her name was known to several other SESPA members in Boston. Another participant in the trip.

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[redacted]  
[redacted]. To date, no source in the Boston Division has been able to further identify her or her current residence. The original source has been instructed to attempt to further identify her for the benefit of Albany, but no information has yet become available regarding her. (S)(u)

The following information is set forth for the information of all receiving offices, but it was believed if stated in LHM, would be easily traced to the source, [redacted]. For that reason, it is stated in the cover pages of this LHM. (u)

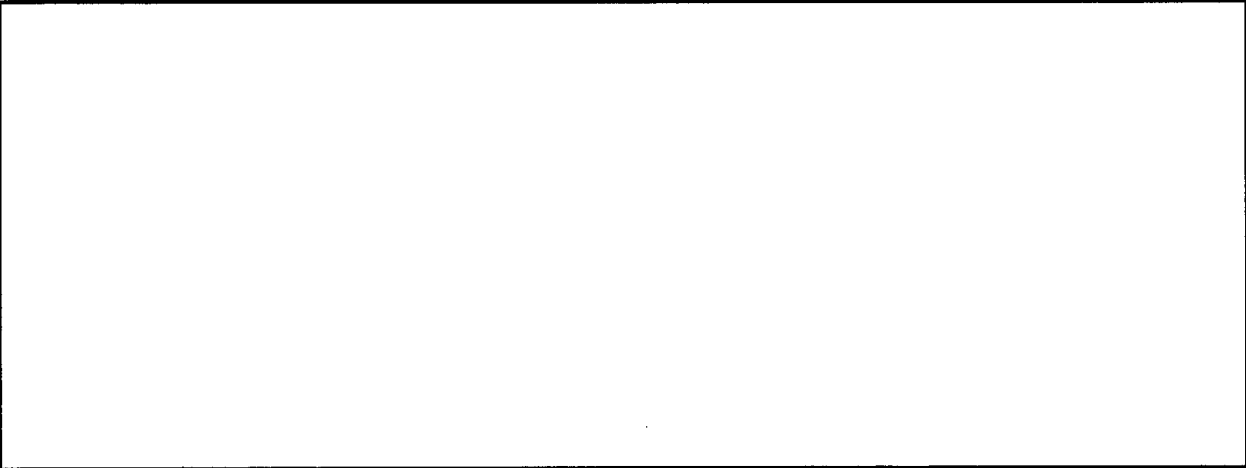
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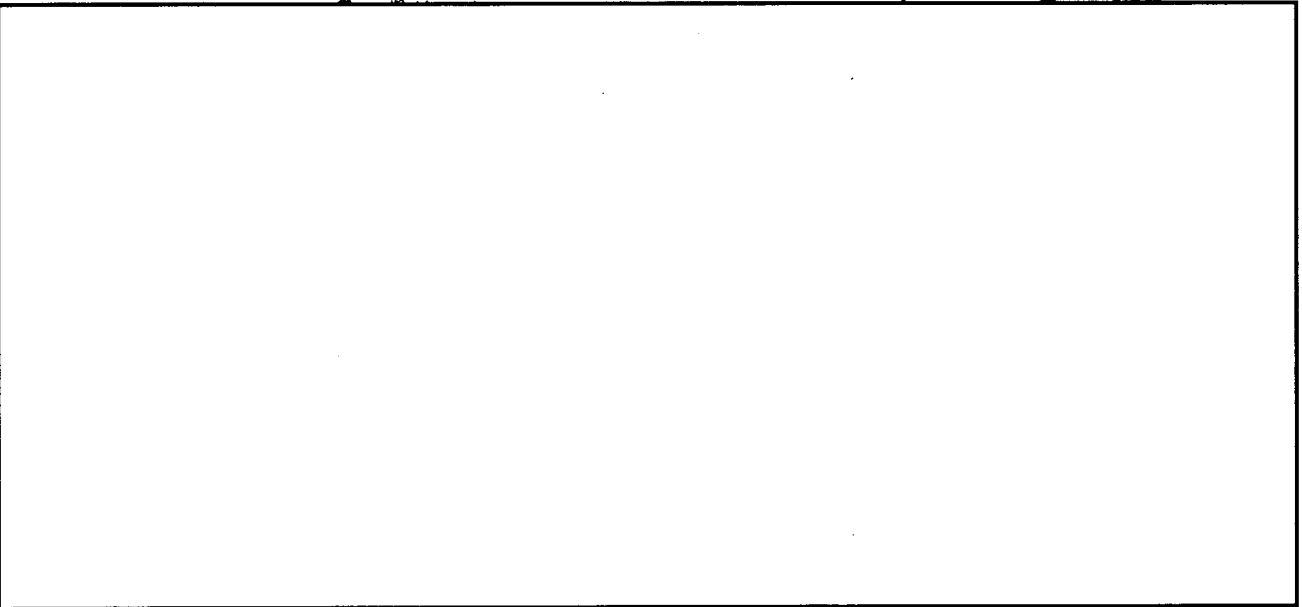
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The above information was obtained by [redacted]  
[redacted] and it was felt that  
this information need not be included in the attached LHM,  
considering the possibility that it may lead to the disclosure  
of [redacted] as the source. (u)

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For the information of the Bureau and other interested offices, the following file numbers are set forth re individuals:

[redacted], BS 105-17709 - Pending  
BUfile: 105-1975

[redacted], BS 100-44098 - Pending

[redacted], BS 100-45449 - Pending

[redacted], BS 100-42902 - Closed  
Bureau file 100-454878

[redacted], BS 100-42249 - Pending

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SOURCES:

First source mentioned in LHM is [redacted].

Second source is [redacted].

Third source is a knowledgeable source.

Fourth source is [redacted].

Fifth source is a knowledgeable source.

Sixth source is [redacted]

Seventh source is [redacted]

Eighth source is a knowledgeable source

Ninth source is former [redacted]

The Bureau is requested to forward this information to Legat, Hong Kong, as requested in re San Francisco nitel, 2/17/73.

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Third source mentioned is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] (interviewed under pretext of [REDACTED]  
by SA [REDACTED]

Fifth source mentioned is the records of the Harvard-Radcliffe Alumni Office, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. u

Eighth source mentioned is a source of the Chicago Office, not further identified in Chicago teletype to the Bureau, 2/20/73.

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February 11, 1972

Mr. Lao Hsin  
First Secretary  
Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Canada  
100 Bronson Avenue  
Ottawa, Canada

Dear Mr. Lao,

We would like to express our appreciation of the hospitality that was so graciously extended to us by [redacted], yourself and [redacted] during our visit to Ottawa. We hope that you found our frank exchange of views and information as useful as we did. Such exchanges will certainly help advance the friendship and cooperation between the Chinese and American peoples.

We are most grateful for your kind offer to forward to the Academy of Sciences in Peking our proposal for a visit this summer by a delegation from the organization Science for the People. To accompany the proposal we have enclosed a selection, similar to the one we brought to Ottawa, of issues of our magazine, and of articles on the political role of science (by B.Z.) and on science and education in China (by E.S.). For your own information, we are also enclosing a copy of this letter that we have taken the liberty of preparing for your files; and a copy of a letter about other matters that was sent to Mr. Kuo Mo-jo in Peking last November, in which the possibility of such a proposal was mentioned very briefly. We have arranged a subscription to our magazine for the Embassy.

We propose a visit to the People's Republic of China by a delegation of people from the United States who are concerned with the political role and implications of scientific research, particularly in a capitalist society. The delegation would be composed primarily of members of Science for the People, a loosely-knit group of radical scientists and engineers who have begun to work, in more than 20 cities in the United States over the past two and a half years, to organize a revolutionary movement within the scientific community.

Although Science for the People is still a small group, our goal is to build revolutionary political consciousness among the mass of scientists and engineers. In the process we are trying to break down the elitism and privilege that characterize established science in the United States.

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Hence our organization includes men and women from all areas of science: students, technical workers, industrial scientists and engineers, and university faculty, and also non-scientists interested in this sector.

We are currently active in an organizing role, trying to increase mass political consciousness within the scientific community and integrate it with the larger movement for revolutionary political change in the United States, through activities such as the following: Nationally,

- our bimonthly magazine Science for the People has been published in Boston for the past year and a half and has now reached a circulation of 5000 (copies enclosed);

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- we are active at professional scientific meetings, notably the last three annual December conventions of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the largest mass organization of scientists in the country, where we organized well-publicized demonstrations around the slogan "Science for the People" and did a considerable amount of educational work: this year we also organized among the scientific workers at the convention a march and demonstration against the renewed U.S. escalation in north Vietnam, in collaboration with Vietnam Veterans Against the War;

- we are helping coordinate the independently organized Science for Vietnam Project, centered in Chicago, which provides technical information and research in areas of biology useful to the struggling people of Indochina, and in addition serves as a valuable organizing focus for political work within the scientific community. Locally, our groups have

- provided technical assistance to other political groups such as the Black Panther Party community health clinic in Boston;

- been developing radical science curriculum for use in public schools and colleges;

- been lecturing and preparing analytic literature on the use of scientific research in the United States for exploitation and destruction through capitalism and imperialism, and on the progressive use of science in socialist countries.

We believe we have much to learn in the People's Republic of China where, especially since the Cultural Revolution, there exists in reality a science for the people. Of course, the situation in China is not directly applicable to conditions in the United States. Nevertheless, a study of the Chinese model would provide us with a concrete example of new perspectives to encourage us, stimulate our thinking and help us develop the kinds of programs capable of engaging large numbers of scientific workers.

One of us (E.S.) had a brief glimpse of Chinese science during a two week visit in May 1971, when he visited several research institutes and universities and met with scientists such as Mr. Kuo Mo-jo, President of the Academy of Sciences of China, Mr. Chou Pei-yuan, Deputy Chairman of the Revolutionary Committee of Peking University, and a number of others. What he learned from Chinese scientists and what he saw for himself while visiting their laboratories have convinced him of how important the lessons of China's progress in making science serve the people are for the people of the United States (as he has described in a number of articles in Science for the People magazine, in journals of the scientific establishment and in the popular press). For a more thorough understanding, it seems appropriate that this visit be

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be followed up with a detailed, serious study. The United States public, accustomed to a different political system, might have some difficulty in fully appreciating the developments of Chinese science. Hence it is important that these developments be presented in the proper political and social framework.

Exchanges of technical information during the visits of established United States scientists to China over the past year have certainly been very important and useful to the people of both our countries, and will no doubt continue to be so in the future. We are acquainted with some of these scientists personally (such as [redacted] U.S.A.

[redacted] and others) and know them to be sincere individuals dedicated to increasing the friendship and understanding between the Chinese and American peoples. They represent the liberal segment of the elite scientific establishment, which has acted as a progressive force on the United States political scene, often through organizations like the Federation of American Scientists. This segment has concerned itself primarily with the technical aspects of scientific research, whether in the United States or in China.

Our organization, on the other hand, functions outside and generally in opposition to the United States scientific establishment, with the mass orientation that our name implies. Our interests lie primarily in the following questions, which deal rather with the political context that underlies the technical aspects of science: How are the technical needs of the Chinese people assessed and articulated, and how is this information passed on to the scientific sector? What are the criteria and the mechanisms for making decisions about the relative value and the priority of one scientific project over another? How is scientific research organized and carried out at the work place? What is the relationship between workers at different levels in the same work place? And so forth. These are questions that we are dealing with here in the United States in our effort to make science serve the people, and what we already know about science in China indicates that we would profit from studying the solutions that the Chinese people have developed.

We feel our visit would help develop friendly and productive relations between our two peoples, particularly between Chinese scientific workers, and U.S. scientific workers who are sympathetic with the goals of the Chinese revolution. On one hand, it is important that the achievements of the Chinese people be presented to the people of the United States accurately and in a way that properly recognizes their political and social significance and generality. On the other, it is important that the Chinese people have a first-hand experience of Americans who are involved politically at a level different from the one represented by the forthcoming visit of President Nixon, and that scientific colleagues in China have contact with the growing movement of radical scientists in the United States.

We hope that when conditions make it possible, Science for the People would be able to reciprocate, and serve as host for a delegation of Chinese scientific workers visiting the United States.

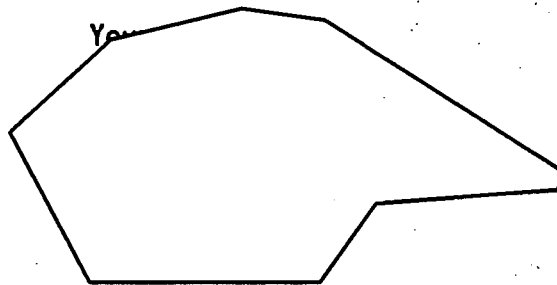
Through exchanges like these, the people of our two countries will be able to work together in friendship, sharing our scientific knowledge, experience and resources to help solve the problems of our two societies,

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Exact details of the proposed visit would have to be worked out to our mutual advantage. We would like to send a delegation of approximately 10 to 15 people who would spend four to six weeks in China. We would propose June of this year, after our university semester terminates, as a date for your consideration. We would like to talk in depth with a variety of Chinese scientific workers in their laboratories and work places. Consequently, one possibility is that our delegation split up into smaller subgroups that could each spend a relatively long time at a limited number of places. We would try to have the delegation represent different parts of the country; various scientific disciplines; men and women; professors; students, industrial and technical workers; and so on. We would try to select members of the delegation partly on the basis of their past political activity within the scientific sector because we believe that one important criterion should be the work a person will perform after returning from China. This work will entail a major commitment of time and energy, on one hand, to speaking publicly and at scientific meetings and to writing in popular and scientific journals about the information learned in China; and on the other hand, to using this information, particularly in the scientific sector, to help organize and promote the struggle for revolutionary change in the United States.

We hope that this proposal will be considered favorably, to the mutual benefit of the Chinese and Americans peoples.



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Scientists and Engineers for Social and Political Action (SESPA) is a national organization of persons involved in scientific or engineering fields. This organization was formerly known as Scientists for Social and Political Action and now is normally referred to as SESPA. SESPA is a loosely knit national group which organizes in chapters located in various cities in the United States. Each chapter has its own name and operates independently from other chapters. SESPA produces its own national magazine known as "Science for the People". SESPA, on a national basis, participates in three types of activities:

1. The publication of its national magazine
2. Disrupting the national meetings of professional organizations.
3. Participating in a program to furnish North Vietnam scientific data and research information.

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On numerous occasions from February, 1972, to November 30, 1972, a source who has furnished

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reliable information in the past, advised that members of SESPA were attempting to obtain permission from the Government of the Peoples Republic of China to visit that country. [redacted]

[redacted] personally contacted Mr. Lao Hsin, First Secretary, Embassy of the Peoples Republic of China in Canada, 100 Bronson Avenue, Ottawa, Canada, regarding this trip. [redacted] requested permission for a group of 10 to 15 persons to travel to the Peoples Republic of China. They were advised they should formally submit a written request in care of the Embassy of the Peoples Republic of China in Ottawa, explaining the goals of the group they represent and the reasons for wanting to travel to China. Subsequently, [redacted] sent a letter to the Chinese Embassy in Ottawa and officially requested visas for a party of 10 to 15 unnamed travelers. (X) )

[redacted] indicated they were familiar with some of the scientists who have already visited China and that they in SESPA represent the liberal segment of the elite scientific establishment which has acted as a progressive force on the United States political scene. In their formal letter, they requested permission to send 10 to 15 people to the Peoples Republic of China (PRC) for six weeks. They wished to have their group split up into small groups so that each could spend a relatively long time in a limited number of places. (u)

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During February, 1972, [redacted] of the SESPA group, learned of [redacted] attempts to obtain permission for a trip to the PRC. [redacted] denounced these plans as an act (u)

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to benefit few people and not the total group. [ ] indicated, however, that since SESPA is a "non-group", it could neither sponsor nor condemn requests or actions of a collective of SESPA members. [ ] made it clear he was definitely against SESPA sponsoring a trip to China. (u)

During the spring of 1972, a collective of persons interested in the China trip began meeting in Boston, Massachusetts, and corresponding with other SESPA members throughout the country who were also interested in visiting the PRC. These persons nominated the names of 25 SESPA members as potential candidates for the trip, but as of November 30, 1972, no final decision as to who would travel with the group had been made. Because of the rivalry which existed between [ ] and the China collective, [ ] broke away from SESPA and traveled to Hanoi, North Vietnam, and other Eastern nations during May, 1972, with another group. (u)

During the summer of 1972, [ ] became the major force in organizing those interested in traveling to China under the title, "The China Collective", and this China Collective was a sub group of SESPA. (u)

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Because of [ ] stern opposition to the trip, no communications concerning the trip were kept at the SESPA's national headquarters, located at 9 Walden Street, Jamaica Plain, Boston, Massachusetts, [ ]. (u)

As of November 30, 1972, there had been no word from the PRC, either granting or denying authority for the SESPA group to travel to the PRC. (u)

[ ] was an Assistant Professor in the [ ] (u)

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ASSISTANT  
PROFESSOR

[redacted] from [redacted]  
to [redacted]. He has been active in SESPA  
affairs in Chicago and Boston since 1971,  
but left in the spring of 1972. Subject  
traveled to Hanoi, North Vietnam in May, 1972.

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[redacted] traveled to North Vietnam and  
Communist China May, 1971, and his name has been  
linked to the now defunct New University Con-  
ference. [redacted] is Associate Professor of

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[redacted] and resides at [redacted]  
[redacted], Massachusetts.

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In 1958, [redacted] admitted membership  
in the Communist Party, USA, from 1945 to  
1949 and being a participant in 1954 in a  
fund-raising affair in Boston sponsored by the  
Massachusetts Committee for the Bill of Rights.  
In March, 1954, a ninth source who has furn-  
ished reliable information in the past advised  
in his opinion the Massachusetts Committee for  
the Bill of Rights was set up under the guid-  
ance and direction of the Communist Party in  
February, 1954. Members of this group have  
reputations of past Communist Party activity.

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A characterization of [redacted] will appear  
later in this memorandum.

A pamphlet distributed by the New University  
Conference (NUC) in December, 1970, states  
that it is a national organization of graduate  
students, faculty, and staff whose members are  
"radicals committed to the growth of a revo-  
lutionary socialist movement in the United  
States." NUC maintains a national office at  
622 West Diversey, Chicago, Illinois.  
NUC, at its June, 1972, convention, passed a  
motion to dissolve itself and elected a com-  
mittee to dismantle the national office in  
Chicago.

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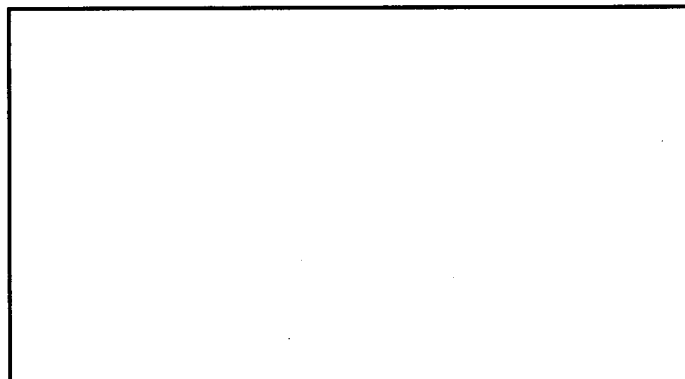
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On February 13, 1973, the same source advised the China Collective of SESPA, Boston, Massachusetts, held a meeting for anyone in SESPA interested in learning about the proposed trip. At this meeting it was announced "two weeks ago" SESPA received a telegram addressed to [redacted] from PRC Embassy at Ottawa, Canada, indicating that [redacted] and his group of ten could travel to the PRC as guests of "The Chinese National Academy of Science" for a one-month tour. The exact date of arrival in China was not stated by the members of the China Collective, but they did state they would leave from San Francisco, California, on February 20, 1973. (S)(u)

Prior to February 20, 1973, for two full days the group would meet for political discussions at the "China Books" in San Francisco, California. The China Books was described as a revolutionary book store in the San Francisco area. Following this telegram, [redacted] advised the Embassy of the PRC at Ottawa that neither he nor [redacted] would be able to travel with the group to the PRC, but that the group would consist of ten United States citizens. (S)(u)

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At this meeting, a list containing the following names was circulated for the information of SESPA members. These were the persons who had been selected by the China Collective to travel to the PRC from Boston, Massachusetts:



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From: State University of New York  
Stoneybrook College  
Stoneybrook, New York:

[Redacted]

From: St. Louis, Missouri:

[Redacted] (no further information available)

From: Minneapolis, Minnesota:

[Redacted] No  
further information available.

From: Chicago, Illinois:

[Redacted]

On February 16, 1973, a second source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised a group of ten individuals arrived in San Francisco, California, on February 15, 1973, from the East Coast enroute to the PRC. This group plans to leave San Francisco on February 17, 1973, enroute to the PRC via Hong Kong.

On February 16, 1973, a check of the records of the Japan Airlines, San Francisco, California, indicated the following individuals were scheduled to depart from San Francisco on Sunday, February 18, 1973, at 12:00 noon enroute to Hong Kong via Tokyo on Japan Airlines Flight Number 1.

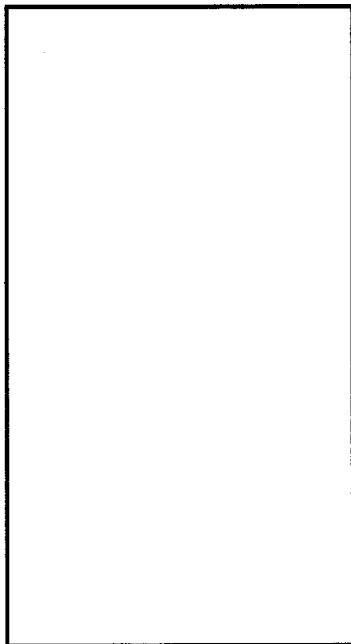
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The above group would arrive Hong Kong 1:50 P.M. on February 20, 1973, from Tokyo via Japan Airlines Flight 731. The group tentatively plans to return to the United States, departing on March 22, 1973, from Hong Kong via Japan Airlines Flight 462, which arrives in San Francisco 8:00 A.M., March 23, 1973.

The first source mentioned above advised on February 26, 1973, that [redacted] is identical with [redacted], which stands for [redacted].

The person identified as [redacted] (phonetic) is still listed with that spelling in the office of SESPA headquarters, but is probably identical with the name [redacted] as reported above.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is identical with the [REDACTED]  
from St. Louis.

[REDACTED] is probably identical with [REDACTED]  
(last name unknown) from Minneapolis, although the name  
[REDACTED] is the only name listed in SESPA files for the Minnea-  
polis woman.

The name [REDACTED] was reported incorrectly  
and the true name is [REDACTED] and, therefore,  
believed identical with [REDACTED]  
with the University of Chicago.

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MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION  
DESCRIPTION OF MEMBERS TRAVELING TO CHINA

The first source and a third source who has  
furnished reliable information in the past provided the *CAL*  
following information during February, 1973:

Name:

Date of Birth:

Social Security  
Account Number:

Residence:

Employment:

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Education:

Bachelor of Science Degree  
from an unknown institution  
believed in the New England  
area

In 1968, [ ] was active in a draft resistance-type movement, but has never been a militant peace advocate. Dove has not been known to be active in any other revolutionary activity.

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The following description was furnished by the first source and a fourth source who has furnished reliable information in the past:

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True Name: [ ]

Names Used: DR. G. [ ]

Sex:

Female [ ]

Height:

5 feet, 6 inches [ ]

Weight:

115 pounds

Hair:

Brown

Eyes:

Hazel

Date of Birth:

Place of Birth:

Social Security  
Account Number:

United States  
Passport Number:

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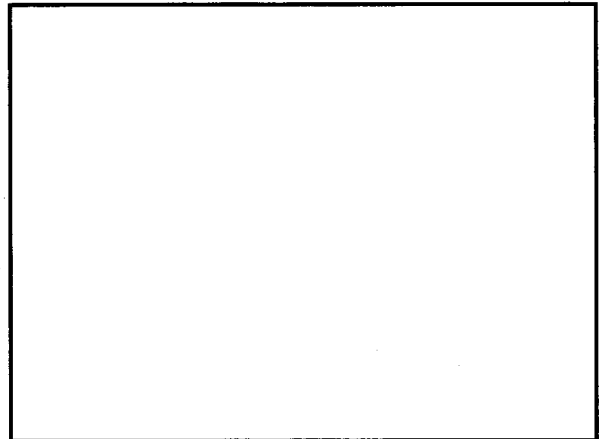
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Residence:

Employment:

Education:



[redacted] was a member of the Progressive Labor Party in New York City in 1969-1970. In July, 1970.

[redacted], asked [redacted] to resign from PLP as being "somewhat less than stable".

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The PLP was founded in 1962 by individuals expelled from the Communist Party, USA, for following the Chinese communist line. Its objective is the establishment of a militant working-class movement based on Marxism-Leninism and Mao-Tse-tung thought.

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The following description was furnished by first source and a fifth source who has furnished reliable information in the past:

Name:

Date of Birth:

Place of Birth:

Sex:

Race:

Male

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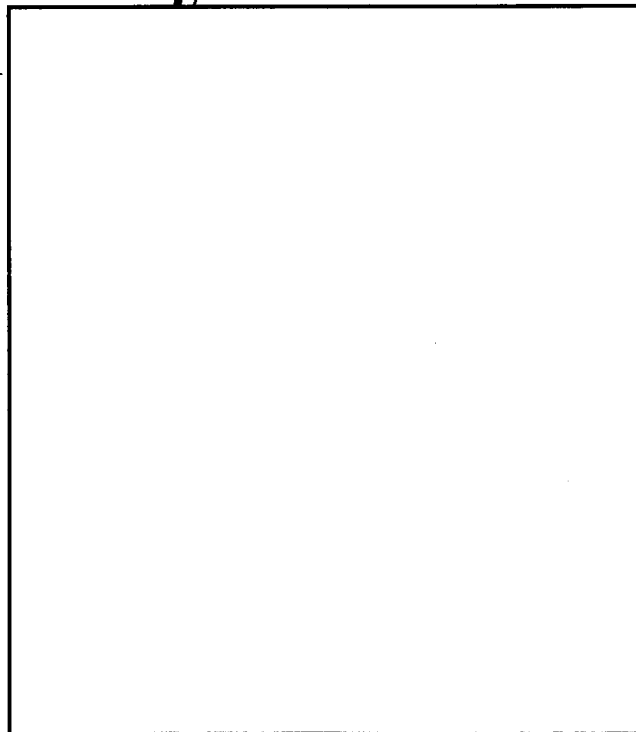
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Father:

Residence:

Employment:

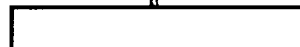
Education:



[redacted] has been active in the affairs of SESPA prior to November, 1970. [redacted] is not known to be affiliated with any other group involved in revolutionary activity and has no known criminal record.

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Name:



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When reported, it was indicated by the first source that [redacted] was formerly of Boston, Massachusetts, but presently resides in an unknown location in Vermont. No further information is available to date.

HONG KONG

From St. Louis, Missouri

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

On February 14, 1973, a sixth source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that [redacted] left [redacted] on [redacted], allegedly enroute to the Orient with a group of scientists. The following is [redacted] description:

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MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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Name:

Sex:

Male

Race:

White

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Date of Birth:

Place of Birth:

HAS

CONTACT WITH

Height:

5 feet, 11 inches CHINESE

Weight:

170 pounds

COMMUNIST

Hair:

Blond, with beard

Complexion:

Medium

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Distinguishing  
Characteristics:

Residence:

Employment:

Permanent  
residence:

[redacted] currently considered a leader of the St. Louis  
Intercommunal Survival Committee, which is a group of  
white persons who support the programs of the Black  
Panther Party.

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On January 5, 1972, a seventh source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that [ ] claimed to have contacts with the Chinese Communists. No further explanation given.

The following description is furnished by an eighth source who has furnished reliable information in the past:

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

Name:

[ ]

Sex:

Male

[ ]

CHINA

Race:

White

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Date of Birth:

[ ]

HONG KONG

Place of Birth:

Height:

5 feet, 9 inches

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Weight:

145 pounds

Residence:

[ ]

Employment:

[ ] has been active in the affairs of SESPA in Chicago in the past. He has not been known to be involved in other revolutionary activities in the Chicago area.

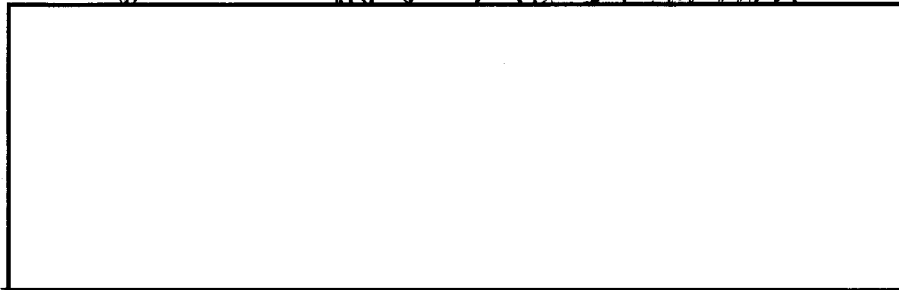
The first confidential source advised he could furnish no descriptive data concerning the remaining persons traveling to China:

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HONG KONG

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION



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Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) observed the SESPA group departing from San Francisco as scheduled on Japan Airlines. All members of the group wore black buttons with an upright red fist and white letters SFTP (which stands for Science for the People).

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Boston, Massachusetts

February 28, 1973

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Title	SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS FOR SOCIAL AND POLITICAL ACTION, ALSO KNOWN AS SCIENCE FOR THE PEOPLE
Character	IS - CH
Reference	Boston 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.

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Date: 3/5/73

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ AIRMAIL - REGISTERED  
(Priority)

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

SUBJECT: SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS FOR  
SOCIAL AND POLITICAL ACTION  
(SESPA), aka  
Science for the People  
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OO: Boston  
Bufile 100-459865  
Boston 100-42304  
SF File 100-63465

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DATE OF REVIEW March 5, 1993

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Re Bureau airtel, dated 2/28/73, San Francisco  
airtel and LHM, dated 2/21/73, and Boston teletype, 2/13/73 (u)

Enclosed for Bureau and listed offices are corrected  
copies of LHM to replace referenced San Francisco LHM, dated  
2/21/73. (u)

- 4 - Bureau (Encl. 1) (RM) *detached & filed in Ser. 86 3/20/73*  
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3 - Boston (Encl. 3) (RM)  
2 - Chicago (Encl. 2) (RM)  
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2 - New York (Encl. 2) (RM)  
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16 - San Francisco

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58 MAR 22 1973

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent in Charge

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Per \_\_\_\_\_

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## FEB 18 1973

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2:15PM NITEL/2/18/73 MAH

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MINNEAPOLIS

BOSTON

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO

SCIENTIST AND ENGINEERING FOR SOCIAL AND POLITICAL ACTION (SESAPA)  
AKA SCIENCE FOR THE PEOPLE.

RE SAN FRANCISCO EL, 2/17/73.

CAPTIONED GROUP OBSERVED BY SA TO DEPART SAN FRANCISCO AS  
SCHEDULED. OFFICIAL, JAPAN AIRLINES, ADVISED THAT ALL TEN IN GROUP  
CHECKED ABOARD. MEMBERS OF GROUP WORE BLACK BUTTONS WITH BRIGHT  
RED FIST AND WHITE LETTERS "SFTP".

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Mr. Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Baker \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Cleveland \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Edwards \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Jenkins \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Marshall \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Davis \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Soyars \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Walters \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Kinley \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Armstrong \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Bowers \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Herington \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ms. Herwig \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Mintz \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mrs. Neenan \_\_\_\_\_

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Title of LHM has also been corrected based on title reflected on referenced Bureau airtel. The original communication received by San Francisco (Boston teletype, 2/13/73), reflected title of "SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERING FOR SOCIAL ACTION."

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(1 - 105-27263) (USCFA)

(1 - 105-15191)

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(1 - 100-52769)

(1 - 100-73997)

(1 - 100-65021)

(1 - 97-344) (CHINA BOOKS AND PERIODICALS)

(1 - 100-53248)

(1 - 105-1493)

(1 - 105-27992)

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3/7/73

To: SACs, Boston  
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New York  
San Francisco  
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Legat, Hong Kong

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From: Acting Director, FBI [redacted]

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For the information of WFO, the other recipients of this airtel have developed data showing below-listed individuals traveled to and entered the People's Republic of China (PRC) on 2/21/73 under auspices of Scientists and Engineers for Social and Political Action (SESPA), also known as Science for the People (Bufile 100-459865, BSfile 100-42384). Members of the group, while in the PRC, anticipated being closely questioned by PRC officials concerning the leftist movement in the U. S. and for identities of the strongest leftist groups in the U. S. In addition, they felt they would be requested to propagandize for the PRC upon their return to the U. S. This group is allegedly using the name, Special Guardian Group Five. It is noted the "Guardian" newspaper, headquartered in New York, which has been outlet for radical and leftist groups in this country, has, in the past, sponsored various groups traveling to the PRC. The office of origin in the SESPA investigation is Boston, and that office has requested that all information developed concerning travel of this group be furnished to Boston.

- 1 - 100-459865 (SESPA)
- 1 - Foreign Liaison Desk (Route through for review)

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- 1 - 105- [redacted]
- 1 - 100-454878 [redacted] 12 1973
- 1 - 105- [redacted]
- 1 - 157-21657 [redacted]
- 1 - 105- [redacted] 1 - 105- [redacted]
- 1 - 105-184336 [redacted] 1 - 105- [redacted]
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WFO should review Passport Office records concerning individuals and furnish results to the offices covering the residences of these persons. It is requested that these records be reviewed expeditiously.

Other recipients covering residences, as set forth below, should institute investigation at once to fully identify these persons. Since some and possibly all persons are connected with institutions of learning, investigation should be conducted through established sources only. During the course of inquiries, it should be determined whether these persons do propagandize in this country for the PRC. Individuals LHM should be submitted by the offices covering residences, utilizing a predication showing travel to the PRC (classified "Confidential") and sponsorship of this travel by SESPA as set forth in BStel 2/13/73. The cover communications in the individual cases should set forth recommendations for any additional action felt necessary.

Legat, Hong Kong, submit information concerning exit of individuals from the PRC.

It is noted the group is scheduled to depart the PRC on or about 3/21/73 or 3/22/73, and the individuals are identified as follows:

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NOTE:

[redacted] furnished information concerning a group sponsored by SESPA traveling to the PRC during February, 1973. Subsequent investigation developed identities of travelers. Background data as well as activities should be determined through established sources in view of possible affiliation with institutions of learning. Group tentatively scheduled to depart the PRC 3/21/73 or 3/22/73, having entered that country 2/21/73.

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4:45 PM URGENT 2/22/73 CJB

TO ACTING DIRECTOR NR 040-21

FROM LEGAT HONG KONG (105-5) 3P

Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Baker	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Cleveland	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Gebhardt	_____
Mr. Jenkins	_____
Mr. Marshall	_____
Mr. Miller, E.S.	_____
Mr. Purvis	_____
Mr. Soyars	_____
Mr. Walters	_____
Mr. Egan	_____
Mr. Kinsey	_____
Mr. Armstrong	_____
Mr. Bowers	_____
Mr. Herington	_____
Ms. Herzig	_____
Mr. Mintz	_____
Mrs. Neenan	_____

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Mr. Soyars	_____
Mr. Walters	_____
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Mr. Kinley	_____
Mr. Armstrong	_____
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Mr. Mintz	_____
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TO ACTING DIRECTOR (100-459865)

(ATTN: DID)

BOSTON (100-42304)

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FROM NEW YORK (100-170446) 2P (P)

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ON 2/23/73, A SOURCE WHO IS IN A POSITION TO PROVIDE RELIABLE INFORMATION ADVISED THAT ON 2/18/73, A GROUP CALLING ITSELF, SPECIAL GUARDIAN FIVE GROUP, DEPARTED SAN FRANCISCO ENROUTE TO CHINA. THIS GROUP CONSISTED OF [REDACTED]

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LEAVE SAN FRANCISCO 2/18/73 FOR TOKYO VIA

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JAPAN AIR LINES (JAL) FLIGHT 001.

ARRIVE TOKYO 2/19/73. OVERNIGHT LODGING PACIFIC HILTON HOTEL.

LEAVE TOKYO 2/20/73 VIA JAL FLIGHT 10.

ARRIVE HONG KONG 2/20/73.

LOCAL CONTACT, GOLDEN GATE HOTEL, LOCAL HANDLING AGENT,  
CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE.

LEAVE HONG KONG 3/22/73 VIA JAL FLIGHT 462.

ARRIVE TOKYO 3/22/73.

OVERNIGHT LODGING, PACIFIC HILTON HOTEL.

LEAVE TOKYO 3/23/73 VIA JAL FLIGHT 10.

ARRIVE SAN FRANCISCO 8:00 A.M. 3/23/73.

TOUR ARRANGED THROUGH [REDACTED]

SPECIAL TOURS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE, 250 WEST 57TH STREET,  
NEW YORK CITY, 212-586-6577.

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SOURCE UNABLE TO FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

NEW YORK INDICES REFLECT [REDACTED] ASSOCIATED WITH COMMUNIST  
PARTY DATING BACK TO 1962 AND HAS ARRANGED PREVIOUS TOURS  
TO CHINA FOR LEFTIST GROUPS. NEW YORK NOT CONTACTING [REDACTED]  
IN VIEW OF ABOVE.

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SOURCE UTILIZED IS [REDACTED]

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (100-465) ((ATTN: DID))  
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Mr. Gearty	_____
Mr. Jenkins	_____
Mr. Marshall	_____
Mr. Miller, E.S.	_____
Mr. Pugh	_____
Mr. Ryan	_____
Mr. Walters	_____
Mr. Wood	_____
Mr. Riley	_____
Mr. Armstrong	_____
Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Harrington	_____
Mr. Herwig	_____
Mr. Mintz	_____
Mr. Neenan	_____

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RE BOSTON NITEL, 2/20/73, AND SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE,  
2/18/73.

SAN FRANCISCO UNABLE TO DETERMINE FURTHER WHETHER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED] NO  
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION HAS BEEN DEVELOPED TO INDICATE THAT A

[REDACTED] IS ENROUTE TO CHINA IN SESPA GROUP.

ON 2/21/73, JAPAN AIRLINES (JAL), SAN FRANCISCO, ADVISED  
THEY WERE UNABLE TO PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING  
SESPA GROUP. HOWEVER, JAL PROVIDED BUAGENT WITH DIRECT PHONE LINE  
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TO THEIR NEW YORK OFFICES AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT SESPA GROUP  
TOUR RESERVATIONS WERE MADE THROUGH CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE, NO ADDRESS  
GIVEN. METHOD OF PAYMENT FOR TICKETS UNKNOWN. IT WAS ALSO INDICATED THAT  
GROUP WAS TO BE STAYING AT GOLDEN GATE HOTEL IN HONG KONG, WHICH IS  
A KNOWN CHICOM OPERATED HOTEL. JAL SUGGESTED THAT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
MAY POSSIBLY BE OBTAINED THROUGH CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]  
,JAL, NEW YORK, 655- FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK.

NEW YORK AT NEW YORK. CONTACT [REDACTED], JAL, FOR ANY  
ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFORMATION RE SESPA GROUP TOUR.

THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FORWARD ABOVE INFORMATION TO  
LEGAT, HONG KONG.

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Mr. Armstrong	_____
Mr. Bowers	_____
Mr. Herington	_____
Ms. Herwig	_____
Mr. Mintz	_____
Mrs. Neenan	_____

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4:20 PM URGENT 2/20/73

TO ACTING DIRECTOR NR 035-19

FROM LEGAT HONG KONG (105-6) 1P

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (100-459865) AND SAC'S

BOSTON (100-42304)

SAN FRANCISCO [REDACTED] (C)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-91732) 2P

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RE BOSTON TELETYPE DATED 2/13/73 AND SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE DATED 2/17/73.

BOSTON REPORTED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, WOULD BE MEMBER OF SESPE GROUP VISITING CHINA. SAN FRANCISCO REPORTED [REDACTED]

DEPARTED VIA JAPAN AIRLINES ON FEBRUARY 17, 1973, ENROUTE TO CHINA.

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, SUBJECT OF CHICAGO FILE 100-50250.

[REDACTED], PREVIOUSLY ACTIVE IN SESPE, IS A WHITE MALE, BORN

[REDACTED] AT [REDACTED], NEW JERSEY, HEIGHT 5' 9", 145 POUNDS,

RESIDES AT [REDACTED], CHICAGO, 8/18/98.

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CONTACT WITH SOURCES FAMILIAR WITH CHINESE MATTERS AND  
REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES IN CHICAGO AREA HAS DEVELOPED NO  
INFORMATION CONCERNING ABOVE MENTIONED TRAVEL.

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BOSTON AND SAN FRANCISCO RECONTACT SOURCES TO DETERMINE  
IF [REDACTED] IS ENROUTE TO CHINA AS MEMBER  
OF SESPA GROUP.

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10:34PM NITEL 2/16/73 CRH

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR

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FROM: SAN FRANCISCO 2P

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Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Cleveland \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
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RE BOSTON TELETYPE, 2/13/73.

LOGICAL SOURCE CONTACTS IN SAN FRANCISCO REVEAL NO INFORMATION RE TRAVEL OF ANY INDIVIDUALS IN SESPA GROUP FROM SAN FRANCISCO ON 2/20/73.

CONTACTS WITH ESTABLISHED SOURCES AT AIRLINE COMPANIES SERVICING THE FAR EAST REFLECT NO RESERVATIONS EITHER IN THE GROUP'S NAME OR IN NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS LISTED IN RE BOSTON TELETYPE. AIRLINES CONTACTED IN SAN FRANCISCO WERE CANADIAN PACIFIC AIRLINES (CPAIR), JAPAN AIRLINES (JAL) AND PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS (PAA).

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SAN FRANCISCO WILL IMMEDIATELY ADVISE OF ANY POSITIVE  
INFORMATION.

BOSTON REQUESTED TO NOTIFY SAN FRANCISCO OF ANY DEFINITE  
FLIGHT PLANS FOR GROUP DEPARTING FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

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2:37AM NITEL SEO (SENT 2/17/73)

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR [REDACTED], NEW YORK, ST. LOUIS, CHICAGO  
AND MINNEAPOLIS, BOSTON [REDACTED] (C)  
FROM: SAN FRANCISCO [REDACTED] (P) (C)

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RE BOSTON TEL FEBRUARY THIRTEEN SEVENTY THREE, LAST.

SF TEL DIRECTOR FEBRUARY SIXTEEN SEVENTY THREE, AND RE ST.  
LOUIS TEL FEBRUARY SIXTEEN SEVENTY THREE.

ON TWO SIXTEEN SEVENTY THREE RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED THAT  
A GROUP OF TEN INDIVIDUALS ARRIVED SAN FRANCISCO FEBRUARY FIFTEEN  
SEVENTY THREE FROM THE EAST COAST ENROUTE TO THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC  
OF CHINA (PRC). THIS GROUP PLANS TO LEAVE SAN FRANCISCO ON  
FEBRUARY SEVENTEEN SEVENTY THREE ENROUTE TO PRC VIA HONG KONG.

ON FEBRUARY SIXTEEN SEVEN THREE THE RECORDS OF JAPAN AIRLINES  
(JAL) REFLECT THAT THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS ARE SCHEDULED TO DEPART  
SAN FRANCISCO ON SUNDAY FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN SEVEN THREE AT TWELVE NOON  
TO HONG KONG VIA TOKYO, ON JAL FLIGHT ONE.

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THE ABOVE GROUP WILL ARRIVE HONG KONG ONE FIFTY PM FROM TOKYO  
VIA JAL FLIGHT SEVEN THIRTY ONE ON FEBRUARY TWENTY SEVEN THREE.  
THE GROUP TENTATIVELY PLANS TO RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTING  
ON MARCH TWENTY TWO SEVEN THREE FROM HONG KONG VIA JAL FLIGHT FOUR  
SIX TWO AND ARRIVES SAN FRANCISCO EIGHT AM MARCH TWENTY THREE SEVEN  
THREE.

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SAN FRANCISCO WILL PROMPTLY ADVISE IF ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
DEVELOPS. (u)

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ARRIVAL DATE PRC UNKNOWN. GROUP DEPARTING SAN FRANCISCO  
FEBRUARY TWENTY, SEVENTY-THREE, VIA AIR. FOLLOWING DATA ALL KNOWN  
THIS TIME REGARDING IDENTITY OF TRAVELERS:

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR 100-459865

(ATTN: DOMINTEL)

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NEW YORK CITY

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FOR EASE IN READING, CHARACTERIZATIONS OF PEOPLE

MENTIONED HEREIN ARE CONTAINED AT THE END OF THE TELETYPE. (U)

NUMEROUS CONTACTS 2/72 TO PRESENT WITH SOURCE WHO  
HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN PAST, ADVISED

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] HAD CONTACT WITH

MR. LAO HSIN, FIRST SECRETARY, EMBASSY OF PEOPLE'S

REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN CANADA, 100 BRONSON AVE., OTTAWA,

CANADA. [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] SPOKE WITH MR. HSIN

IN REGARDS TO PLANNING A TRIP OF 10-15 PERSON TO THE

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA. (C)(U)

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) OF [REDACTED]  
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THIS TRIP WOULD BE SPONSORED  
BY SESPA. SUBSEQUENTLY, [ ] AND [ ] SENT A LETTER  
TO THE CHINESE EMBASSY IN OTTAWA AND OFFICIALLY REQUESTED  
VISAS TO TRAVEL TO CHINA. (S)(u)

(CHARACTERIZATION OF SESPA)

THIS PERSONAL CONTACT AND SUBSEQUENT LETTER TO THE  
EMBASSY OCCURED DURING 2/72. (S)(u)

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FROM 2/72 UNTIL 1/73 THE SESPA GROUP HAD NO  
ANSWER TO ITS REQUEST FOR ITS TRIP TO CHINA.

INSTANT DATE, THE SAME SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE  
CHINA COLLECTIVE OF SESPA AT BOSTON, MASS., ANNOUNCED  
THIS DATE THAT A TELEGRAM WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PRC  
EMBASSY IN OTTAWA "TWO WEEKS AGO" ADDRESSED TO [ ]  
[ ] INDICATING THAT [ ] AND HIS GROUP OF 10  
MAY TRAVEL TO THE PRC AS GUESTS OF "THE CHINESE NATIONAL  
ACADEMY OF SCIENCE." FOR A ONE MONTH TOUR. THE TELEGRAM REQUESTED THE  
NAMES AND PASSPORT NUMBERS OF PERSONS IN THE GROUP BE FURNISHED  
IMMEDIATELY TO THE PRC EMBASSY IN OTTAWA. EXACT DATE  
OF ARRIVAL IN CHINA WAS NOT STATED BY MEMBERS OF THE  
CHINA COLLECTIVE, BUT THEY DID STATE THEY WOULD LEAVE  
BY AIR FROM SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., ON 2/20/73. (S)(u)

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PRIOR TO 2/20/73, FOR TWO FULL DAYS, THE GROUP WOULD MEET FOR A POLITICAL DISCUSSION AT THE "CHINA BOOKS" IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., THE CHINA BOOKS WAS DESCRIBED AS A REVOLUTIONARY BOOK STORE IN THE SAN FRANCISCO AREA. (u)

IT IS BELIEVED THIS MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON 2/18-19/73 FOR ALL PERSONS WHO WILL TRAVEL WITH THIS GROUP TO CHINA. (u)

[REDACTED] ADVISED PRC, OTTAWA, THAT NEITHER HE NOR [REDACTED] WOULD TRAVEL WITH THE GROUP AND THAT THE GROUP WOULD CONSIST OF TEN US CITIZENS. (u)

SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE FOLLOWING NAMES AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA IS ALL THAT IS CONTAINED IN THE NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS OF SESPA REGARDING INDIVIDUALS WHO WILL TRAVEL TO CHINA WITH THE SESPA GROUP:

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FROM BOSTON:

[REDACTED] MASS.

[REDACTED] (FEMALE)

[REDACTED] MASS.

[REDACTED] FORMERLY OF BOSTON, PRESENTLY RESIDES IN VERMONT. (u)

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FROM STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK- STONEYBROOK COLLEGE,  
STONEYBROOK, NEW YORK:

[REDACTED] STUDENT. (u)

[REDACTED] (PHONETIC) POSSIBLY IN

[REDACTED]

A NURSE, NAME UNKNOWN.

FROM ST. LOUIS (u)

[REDACTED] (NO FURTHER INFORMATION)

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FROM MINNEAPOLIS:

[REDACTED] TENANT ORGANIZER AND MOTHER  
INTERSETED IN WELFARE PROTESTS. (u)

FROM CHICAGO:

[REDACTED] GRADUATE STUDENT, [REDACTED]  
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, AND MEMBER OF SCIENCE FOR  
VIET NAM GROUP, CHICAGO. (u)

INSTANT, DATE, SAME SOURCE ADVISED THAT TRAVEL  
TO AND FROM THE ORIENT IS BEING PAID BY SESPA OR  
INDIVIDUALS MAKING TRIP. TRAVEL AND EXPENSES IN  
CHINA PAIDBY GOVERNMENT OF PRC. (u)

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SESPA INTENDS TO AUTHOR A BOOK UPON RETURN OF THESE INDIVIDUALS AND HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO PUBLISH IT THROUGH AVON PRESS, OF NEW YORK CITY. AVON PRESS IS EXPECTED TO ADVANCE FUNDS TO SESPA FOR TRAVEL OF GROUP TO CHINA. (u)

DURING TWO DAY MEETING IN SAN FRANCISCO, THEY WILL DISCUSS WHAT POSITION THE GROUP AS A WHOLE WISHES TO TAKE POLITICALLY WITH GOVERNMENTAL REPRESENTATIVES THEY MEET IN THE PRC. THEY WILL PREPARE THEMSELVES MENTALLY FOR DRILLING BY PRC REPRESENTATIVES ON WHICH LEFTIST GROUPS IN US ARE STRONGEST AND <sup>MAKING</sup> MOST HEADWAY.

THEY EXPECT TO BE INTERVIEWED REGARDING THIS. THEY HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY PERSONS FORMERLY TRAVELLING IN CHINA THAT EVERYONE WAS INTERVIEWED SEPARATELY WHILE ON THE TRIP BY MEMBERS OF THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT REGARDING LEFTIST ORGANIZATIONS IN THE US. THEY EXPECT TO BE ASKED BY PRC OFFICIALS TO BE "PROPAGANDA TOOLS" FOR PRC IN US, BUT DO NOT KNOW HOW THEY WILL ANSWER IF THIS REQUEST IS MADE. (u)

THE SESPA GROUP HAS REQUESTED THAT THEY BE ALLOWED TO STAY IN ONE PLACE FOR THE LAST THREE WEEKS OF THEIR ONE MONTH TOUR OF CHINA IN ORDER TO COMMUNICATE MEANINGFULLY WITH MEMBERS OF THE SCIENTIFIC FIELD IN WHICH EACH PERSON IS KNOWLEDGEABLE. (u)

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SESPA GROUP HAS REQUESTED THAT DURING THREE WEEK PERIOD  
THEY BE BROKEN INTO THREE OR FOUR GROUPS. (u)

THEY HAVE ALSO REQUESTED DURING FIRST  
WEEK TO TOUR THE EMBASSIES <sup>OF THE</sup> ~~HE~~ DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF  
VIET NAM AND REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIET NAM,  
THE RED FLAG CANAL, AND THE STEEL PLANT. THEY HAVE  
REQUESTED TOURS OF PEKING AND SHANG HAI. DURING THIS TRIP  
THEY WISH TO COMMUNICATE TO THE PRC A REALISTIC APPRAISAL OF THE  
LEFTIST POSITION IN THE US. BY THIS THEY MEAN TO INFORM  
PRC THAT "REVOLUTION IS NOT RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER" AS  
OTHER LEFTISTS TRAVELLING IN CHINA HAVE TOLD THE PRC  
REPRESENTATIVES. THE GROUP WISHES TO LEAVE WITH  
THE CHINESE THE FEELING <sup>H</sup> ~~TAT~~ SCIENCE CAN BE SHARED BY  
SCIENTISTS REGARDLESS OF THE SCIENTIST NATIONALITY. (u)

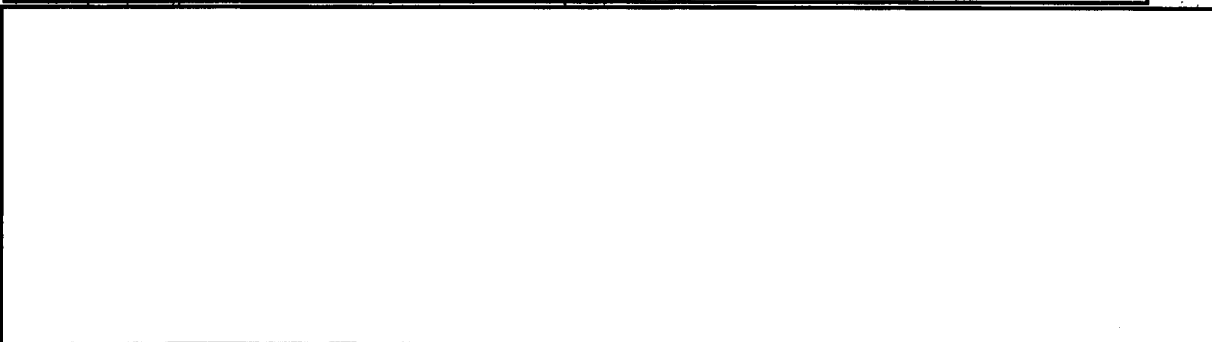
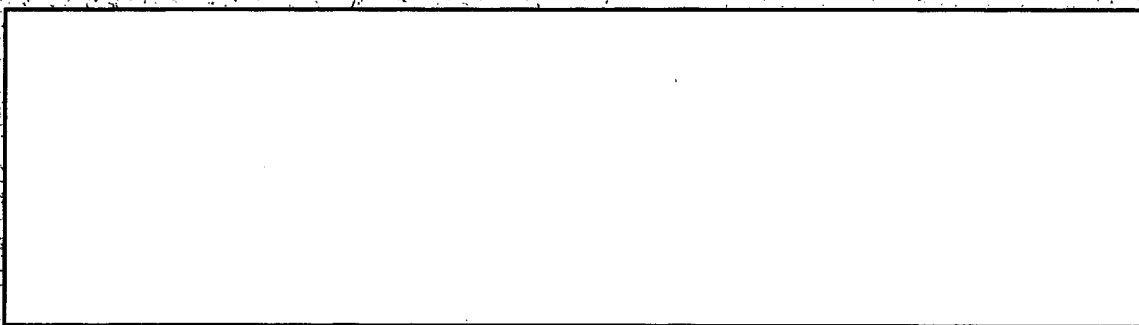
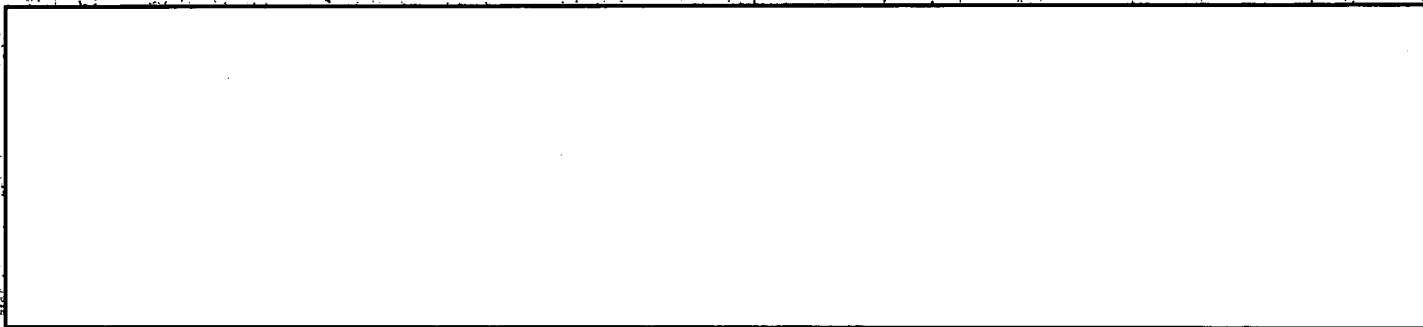
PERSONS TRAVELLING TO CHINA HAVE DECIDED THAT  
AFTER THEIR RETURN FROM CHINA, IF ANYONE IS CONTACTED  
BY EITHER REPRESENTATIVES OF JUSTICE DEPT.,  b2  
THEY WILL REFUSE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS AND IMMEDIATELY  
NOTIFY ALL OTHER PERSONS WHO WERE ON THE TRIP THAT THE  
GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES ARE MAKING INQUIRIES INTO THE TRIP. (u)

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SOURCE COULD FURNISH NO FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE  
OTHER INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED HEREIN.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

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AND 12/6/72, CAPTIONED SESPA, BOSTON AIRTEL TO ACTING

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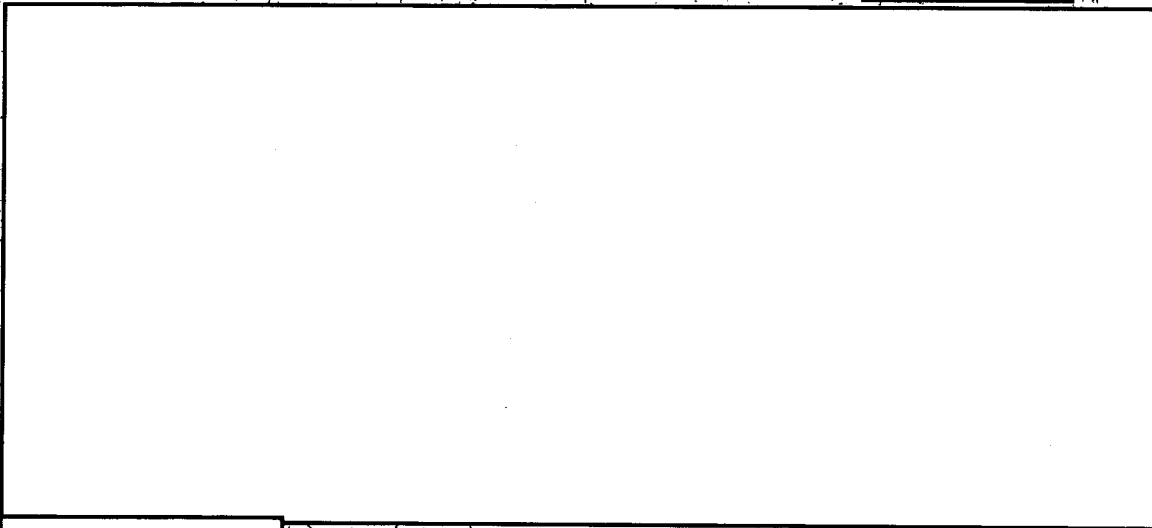
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DIRECTOR 2/22/72 CAPTIONED COMMITTEE OF CONCERNED  
ASIAN SCHOLARS, IS-C.

THE SOURCE OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS [REDACTED]



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[REDACTED] INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED HEREIN ARE SUBJECTS  
OF FOLLOWING FILES:

[REDACTED] BS 105-17709 (C)

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[REDACTED] BS 100-44098 (C)

[REDACTED] BS 100-NEW

[REDACTED] BS 100-42902 (C)

BU 100-454878

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BOSTON INDICES NEGATIVE REGARDING OTHER INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED HEREIN. BOSTON WILL FURNISH ANY INTERESTED OFFICES FURTHER DETAILS WHICH BECOME AVAILABLE. BOSTON WILL ATTEMPT TO FURTHER IDENTIFY

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ALSO RECIPIENT OFFICES REQUESTED TO FURNISH ALL INFORMATION REGARDING THIS TRIP TO BUREAU AND BOSTON.

SAN FRANCISCO IS REQUESTED TO DETERMINE NAMES OF PERSONS TRAVELLING FROM SAN FRANCISCO EN ROUTE TO CHINA.

MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. LOUIS, AND NEW YORK, ARE REQUESTED TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS WHOSE NAMES WERE NOT COMPLETELY SPELLED OUT.

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