

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-459865)

DATE: 2/29/72

FROM: SAC, WFO (100-55265) (P) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS FOR  
SOCIAL AND POLITICAL ACTION (SESPA)  
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Re Report of SA [redacted] dated 12/22/72,  
at Boston.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are seven copies of the LHM dated and captioned as above. Three copies of the LHM are enclosed for Boston and two copies for Chicago. One copy is enclosed for Alexandria for information.

The first source mentioned is [redacted]

The second source is [redacted]

The LHM is classified "~~Confidential~~" to protect the identity of [redacted] a source of continuing value, the disclosure of which could be prejudicial to the defense interest of the nation.

WFO has opened cases on the four individuals mentioned in the LHM, whose names appeared on the Student Organization Registration Form for SESPA at George Washington University, in order to develop background information on them.

- 2- Bureau (Enc. 7) *Ice 922D*
- 1- Alexandria (100-922)(Enc. 1)(Info)
- 3- Boston (100-42304)(Enc. 3)
- 2- Chicago (100-51732)(Enc. 2)
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Boston is requested to advise if it desires WFO to furnish Boston with information developed concerning these individuals.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
 Washington, D. C. 20535  
 February 29, 1972

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS  
 FOR SOCIAL AND POLITICAL ACTION (SESPA)

On January 21, 1972, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Room 427, Marvin Center, George Washington University (GWU), Washington, D. C. (WDC), is the office of the Director of Student Activities at GWU.

SESPA, according to the source, is a registered, but not recognized, organization at GWU and has no offices, but does receive its mail in Room 427, Marvin Center.

Source stated a GWU Student Organization Registration Form dated September 29, 1971, for a new organization, on behalf of SESPA, reveals its purpose is to "involve people engaged in all aspects of the social and natural sciences to alter present science goals to serve the people and to alter the way science is done to make institutions responsible to their people."

Membership in SESPA is open to all students with no vote taken and no qualifying criteria other than an interest in the groups activities.

The parent, national, or non-university affiliate organization is SESPA, 9 Walden Street, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.

The following appeared on the registration form as the responsible officers of SESPA at GWU:

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MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

[redacted] Class of 1973, Student Identification Number [redacted], local and permanent address, [redacted] WDC, telephone [redacted], position-organizer.

[redacted] a GWU graduate, Student Identification Number [redacted], local address, [redacted] WDC, [redacted], telephone [redacted], no permanent address shown, position-organizer.

[redacted] Class of 1973 (?), Student Identification Number [redacted], local address, [redacted] Maryland [redacted], telephone [redacted], no permanent address shown, position-organizer.

[redacted] Class of 1974 (?), Student Identification Number [redacted], local and permanent address, [redacted] Maryland, telephone [redacted], position-member.

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Regarding [redacted], the source had reported on December 2, 1970, that [redacted] [redacted], WDC, had filed a Student Organization Registration Form at GWU on November 12, 1970, for a new organization by the name of "Veterans and Reservists Against the War." At this time [redacted] indicated he was a member of the Junior Class at GWU.

Under the section relating to responsible officers of the organization, [redacted] name was listed as was that of [redacted] WDC, Student Identification Number [redacted] telephone [redacted] indicated his class at GWU as "grad."

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A second source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported on November 9, 1970, that [redacted] who lives in [redacted], Maryland, had attended a meeting of the Washington Area Peace Action Coalition (WAPAC) held at All Souls Church, 15th and Harvard Streets, N.W., WDC, on November 5, 1970.

WAPAC is the WDC affiliate of the National Peace Action Coalition (NPAC).

The NPAC was founded in 1970 by members of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP). Its basic objective is to unite masses of people including labor unions, G. I.'s, and the black community in the struggle to end United States intervention in Southeast Asia through orderly and peaceful tactics.

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The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The second source reported on January 13, 1972, that [redacted] (phonetic) attended a WAPAC meeting held at 1346 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., WDC, on January 6, 1972, and asked if his organization could borrow the WAPAC mailing list. He said his organization was called "Scientists and Engineers for Political Action" or "Scientists and Engineers for the People." However, he referred to it most frequently as "Science for Vietnam." He indicated the purpose of his group is to send educational and scientific material to the North Vietnamese.

The second source advised on January 21, 1972, that an unidentified male attended a WAPAC meeting held at 1346 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., WDC, on January 13, 1972, and requested the WAPAC mailing list for his organization, "Scientists and Engineers for Political Action." He mentioned he was interested in having his

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group's magazine sent to people on the WAPAC mailing list. Source stated it was decided that it is against WAPAC's policy to give their mailing list to another group.

The second source advised on February 25, 1972, that no further information relating to the activities of SESPA in the WDC area had come to the source's attention.

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