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## Domestic Intelligence Division

## INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 10/31/66

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

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

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

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519-PM URGENT 10/31/66 EGL

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3257) 1P

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

OCT 31 1966

TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	✓
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Mr. Casper	✓
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Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
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*NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION*

BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON

AND FOLLOWERS. MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

REFERENCE TELETYPE

RE SAN ANTONIO TEL OCTOBER TWO FOUR LAST.

[REDACTED], RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS TODAY ADVISED AT APPROXIMATELY FIVE A. M., OCTOBER THIRTYONE INSTANT, GILBERT CAMPOS, MARSHALL MENDEZ, AND ANTHONY ORENDAIN CLOSED AND LOCKED STEEL GATE IN CENTER OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE BETWEEN ROMA, TEXAS, AND CIUDAD MIGUEL ALEMAN, MEXICO, IN EFFORT TO PREVENT PASSAGE OF MEXICAN FARM WORKERS TO THE UNITED STATES.

ALL THREE ARRESTED BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES AND CURRENTLY IN JAIL IN CIUDAD MIGUEL ALEMAN.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] STATED HE HAD TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED CONGRESSMAN KIKA DE LA GARZA WHO HAD INFORMED HIM THAT W. E. B. DUBOIS CLUBS IS COMMUNIST ORGANIZATION.

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DC - MR. SULLIVAN

MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Date: 11/2/66

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3257) (P)

RE: BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE,  
ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON AND  
FOLLOWERS  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re San Antonio airtel to Bureau, 11/1/66.

Enclosed are ten copies of LHM relative to captioned matter. Two copies each are being furnished to Houston and Los Angeles.

Copies are being disseminated locally to Secret Service, San Antonio; Secret Service, Austin; 112th INTC; ONI; and OSI.

ENCLOSURE

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- 2-Los Angeles (Encs-2)
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- (1-66-1620)
- (1-100-24279)(CP Strategy & Industry)
- (1-100-10053)(Natl. Farm Workers Assn.)
- (1-100-10122)(Independent Workers Assn.)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Antonio, Texas  
November 2, 1966

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

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Date: 11/18/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-NEW) (RUC)  
RE: BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL  
BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY  
EUGENE NELSON AND FOLLOWERS  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re: San Antonio airtel to Bureau, 11/1/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination, one copy of which is being furnished to Houston Division for information. Six copies of attached LHM are being furnished to San Antonio Division for dissemination to Secret Service, San Antonio; 112th INTC; ONI; and OSI.

For the information of the San Antonio Division, ANTHONY ORENDAIN has never been the subject of an SM - C investigation of the Los Angeles Division, and in the absence of any subversive information indicating such activity on his part, no investigation is being conducted concerning him. However, in keeping with the request of the San Antonio Division, information concerning ORENDAIN is being set forth by LHM as of possible intelligence interest to local military agencies, San Antonio area.

- 3 - Bureau (REGISTERED) (Encl. 10)
  - 1 - Houston (Encl. 1) (REGISTERED) (Info)
  - 2 - San Antonio (Encl. 6) (REGISTERED)
  - 1 - Los Angeles
- JST:gcw  
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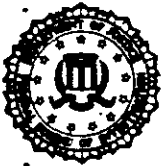
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DATE 11/22/66  
BY R. P. Bennett

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Los Angeles, California  
November 18, 1966

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

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

On February 16, 1966, [REDACTED] furnished background information concerning strike activity on the part of the National Farm Workers Association, Delano, California. The National Farm Workers Association is a labor union with headquarters at 102 Albany Street, Delano, California and was organized October 15, 1963 as a non-profit organization under the California State law. Anthony Orendain was named as Chairman of the Credit Committee of the National Farm Workers Association at the date of organization (October 15, 1963). At that time, his address was given as 1216 - 11th Avenue, Hanford, California. No other information identifiable with Orendain is contained in the files of the Los Angeles Division of the FBI.

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PM CST URGENT 11-25-66 VMO

TO DIRECTOR, AND HOUSTON

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-NEW

THANKSGIVING CARAVAN FOR "LA HUELGA", NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR  
DASH TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYSIX. MISCELLANEOUS DASH INFORMATION  
CONCERNING.

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

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TODAY

NOV 28 1966

ADVISED THAT RALLY SPONSORED BY UNITED FARM WORKERS,  
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO DRAMATIZE SUPPORT FOR STRIKERS IN  
RIO GRANDE CITY COMMENCED TODAY AT APPROXIMATELY TEN THIRTY  
AM AT THE ALAMO IN SAN ANTONIO. AMONG THOSE KNOWN TO BE  
PARTICIPATING IS EUGENE NELSON, LEADER IN RIO GRANDE CITY  
FARM WORKERS STRIKE. NO INCIDENTS THUS FAR.

END PAGE ONE JAN 1 1967

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PAGE TWO

AT TEN THIRTYFIVE AM [REDACTED] U. S. SECRET  
SERVICE, SAN ANTONIO, AND AT TEN FORTYFOUR AM, [REDACTED],  
ONE ONE TWELVE INTC, ADVISED BY SA [REDACTED]  
AND AT ELEVEN TWENTYSIX AM [REDACTED], U. S. SECRET  
SERVICE, AUSTIN, TEXAS, ADVISED BY SA [REDACTED]

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November 28, 1966

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TO: SAC, SAN ANTONIO

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

1 - Mr. Sullivan

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

1 - [REDACTED]

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

REURTEL NOVEMBER TWENTY-EIGHT ONE NINE SIX SIX.

SAN ANTONIO DISCREETLY ASCERTAIN WHETHER LABOR DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE TAKING AFFIDAVITS AS STATED AND IF SO WHETHER LABOR DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATOR ASSISTING AND POSSIBLY MISTAKEN AS BUREAU AGENT.

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NOTE:

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

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## Domestic Intelligence Division

## INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 11/28/66

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

On the basis of information in attached, San Antonio has been instructed to discreetly ascertain whether the Labor Department has a representative taking affidavits, as indicated in attached, and if so whether a Labor Department investigator is assisting and possibly has been mistaken for a Bureau Agent.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3257)

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~~NATIONAL~~ FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION  
BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON  
Miscellaneous INFORMATION  
AND FOLLOWERS. MISC. INFO CONCERNING.

TEXAS  
[REDACTED]

REFERENCE

RE SAN ANTONIO AIRTEL NOV. TWO LAST.

100-44700

TODAY'S ISSUE SAN ANTONIO LIGHT, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, CARRIED  
UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL  
FOLLOWING UPI ARTICLE DATED RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, UNDER  
HEADLINE "FBI CHECK."

[REDACTED]

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

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"HENRY MUNOZ, DIRECTOR OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR THE TEXAS  
AFL-CIO, URGED PERSONS TO REPORT SUCH ABUSES IF ANY HAVE OCCURED.

ABOVE BEING FURNISHED BUREAU FOR INFO IN EVENT INQUIRIES  
RECEIVED. NO SUCH INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY SAN ANTONIO.

5 [REDACTED]

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CC MR. SULLIVAN

MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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11 9:01 AM CST URGENT 11-29-66 VMO

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-3257

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

**[REDACTED]** *WKS*  
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BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON AND FOLLOWERS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

REBUTEL NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST.

**[REDACTED]**, ADVISED TODAY **[REDACTED]**, REPRESENTATIVE OF DEPARTMENT OF LABOR IN WASHINGTON, D. C., AND ONE OTHER DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REPRESENTATIVE, NAME NOT RECALLED, WERE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO LAST CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION RELATIVE TO STRIKING FARM WORKERS.

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Date: 11/25/66

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3266) (C)

SUBJECT: THANKSGIVING CARAVAN FOR "LA HUELGA"  
11/24 - 27/66  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re San Antonio teletype to Bureau and Houston,  
11/25/66.

Enclosed to the Bureau are five copies of LHM  
suitable for dissemination. One copy is being furnished  
Houston for their information.

Copies of LHM also being furnished to Secret Service,  
San Antonio; Secret Service, Austin; 112th INTC; ONI; OSI.

No further action being taken by San Antonio and  
no further communication being furnished. San Antonio  
is remaining alert and if any significant pertinent  
information is obtained regarding this caravan, the Bureau  
will be advised.

Sources mentioned in LHM are \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ who were present during the demonstration at  
the Alamo.

- 3-Bureau (Enc. 5)
- 1-Houston (Enc. 1) (Info)
- 4-San Antonio
  - (2 - 62-3266)
  - (1 - 62-3226)
  - (1 - 66-1620)

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JAN 1 1967 Special Agent in Charge



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Antonio, Texas

November 25, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

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

On November 25, 1966, Officer [REDACTED]

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

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

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

During the speeches, the following literature was distributed:

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ENCLOSURE

# THANKSGIVING

## SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Thanksgiving Food Rally in Austin

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

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

- 7:30 a.m.—Edinburg
- 8:00 a.m.—McAllen
- 8:30 a.m.—Mission
- 11:00 a.m.—Fiesta in Rio Grande City

# for "LA HUELGA"

Nov. 24-27

Or  
NOSOTROS



Photo by The Standard Express

This is what dignity means.

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



Shel Hershorn

Only a beginning.

WRITE: REV. LEO NIETO  
Texas Council of Churches  
1400 Goodlump  
Austin, Texas  
or send contributions to:  
United Farm Workers  
Box 54

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

At 10:35 AM, November 25, 1966, [REDACTED]  
U. S. Secret Service, San Antonio, and at 10:44 AM,  
November 25, 1966, [REDACTED] 112th INTC, was furnished  
above information by Special Agent [REDACTED]  
At 11:26 AM, November 25, 1966, [REDACTED] Agent  
in Charge, U. S. Secret Service, Austin, Texas, was advised  
by Special Agent [REDACTED]

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

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

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FBI-HOUSTON

1205AM URGENT 12-16-66 LXS

TO DIRECTOR

FROM HOUSTON (62-2417) 2P

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION CARAVAN, HOUSTON, TEXAS,  
TO RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, DEC. SEVENTEEN, EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN NEXT,  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFO CONCERNING (SUBVERSIVE CONTROL) OO: SA.

RE HOUSTON AIRTEL TO BUREAU DEC. FIFTEEN LAST.

REAIRTEL SET FORTH THREE DAY ITINERARY FOR CAPTIONED  
ACTIVITY.

SOURCE FURNISHING INFORMATION IN LHM ENCLOSURE TO  
REAIRTEL ADVISED DEC. SIXTEEN INSTANT REVISED DETAILS AND  
ITINERARY; THAT THERE WILL BE TWO AUTOMOBILE CARAVANS AT  
OUTSET, ONE STARTING HOUSTON AND ONE AUSTIN, TEXAS. PURPOSE  
OF CARAVANS TO RAISE MONEY, FOOD, ASSISTANCE FOR RIO GRANDE  
VALLEY FARM WORKERS ENGAGED IN STRIKE.

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HOUSTON CARAVAN FORMS SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL SEVEN  
A.M., DEC. SEVENTEEN NEXT, PROCEEDS TO VICTORIA, TEXAS,  
WHERE PROBABLE RALLY TWELVE THIRTY P.M. AT LADY OF SORROWS

END PAGE ONE

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CHURCH; PROCEEDS TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, WHERE WILL BE  
AT STEEL WORKERS HALL, TWO THREE TWO FIVE AGNES.

AUSTIN GROUP FORMS AT STATE CAPITOL DEC. SEVENTEEN  
NEXT AND DEPARTS NINE A.M., FOR SAN ANTONIO WHERE RALLY TO  
BE HELD CASSIANO PARK TWELVE NOON, PROCEEDS THEN TO BEEVILLE,  
TEXAS, WHERE RALLY TO BE AT ST. JAMES PARISH HALL THREE THIRTY  
P.M.; THEN TO CORPUS CHRISTI TO BE AT STEELWORKERS HALL SEVEN  
P.M.

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

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

ABOVE FURNISHED TO SAN ANTONIO TELEPHONICALLY.

~~E TIME SHD READ 1200 P.M. END~~

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144PM CST URGENT 12/16/66 MRH

TO DIRECTOR AND HOUSTON

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-3271

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION CARAVAN, HOUSTON,  
TEXAS, TO RIO GRANDE CITY, DECEMBER SEVENTEEN, EIGHTEEN,  
AND NINETEEN, SIXTYSIX. MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING  
SUBVERSIVE CONTROL.

RE <sup>HOUSTON</sup> SAN ANTONIO AIRTEL TO BUREAU DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST  
AND HOUSTON TEL TO BUREAU DECEMBER SIXTEEN INSTANT.

SAN ANTONIO IS AWARE OF CAPTIONED ACTIVITY THROUGH  
NEWS MEDIA AND SOURCES. THIS ACTIVITY IS IN CONNECTION  
WITH CONTINUING PROGRAMS REGARDING FARM WORKERS STRIKE  
IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY. CAPTIONED ACTIVITY NOT DOMINATED  
OR INFLUENCED BY SUBVERSIVE ELEMENTS. IN FACT, [REDACTED]  
CHAIRMAN, CP OF TEXAS, IS ACTUALLY AGAINST CARAVAN. INASMUCH  
AS THIS ACTIVITY APPEARS TO BE PART OF LEGITIMATE LABOR  
MATTER INVOLVING A UNION, SAN ANTONIO TAKING NO ACTION. BUREAU  
WILL BE ADVISED ONLY OF ANY INCIDENTS.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662)

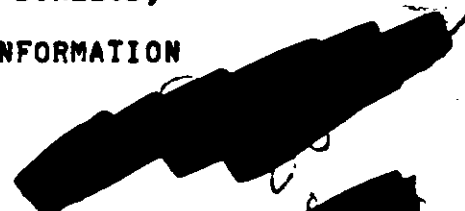
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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, DECEMBER SEVENTEEN, INSTANT, INFORMATION CONCERNING.



RE CHICAGO AIRTEL, MAY TWENTY SIX, LAST, CAPTIONED "NFWA SYMPATHY DEMONSTRATION AT S&W FOOD COMPANY, THREE THREE FIVE ZERO NORTH KEDIZE AVENUE, CHICAGO, MAY TWENTY THREE, LAST, IN SUPPORT OF STRIKING DELANO, CALIFORNIA, MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS."



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ADVISED TODAY EIGHT PICKETS LED BY GENARO LARA, REPRESENTATIVE, NFWA, ONE THREE ZERO ZERO SOUTH WABASH, CHICAGO, PICKETED ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE PROTESTING STORE'S SALE OF WINES DISTRIBUTED BY CALIFORNIA WINE ASSOCIATION (CWA), DELANO, CALIFORNIA. LARA REQUESTED MANAGER ZIMMERMANN TO SIGN PETITION STATING HE WOULD NOT BUY FURTHER WINES FROM CWA,

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-New) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS  
ASSOCIATION CARAVAN,  
HOUSTON, TEXAS, TO  
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS,  
12/17, 18, 19/66

Agency <sup>CRX</sup> G-2 ONI, CSI, CRO

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Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of letterhead memorandum captioned as above which is self-explanatory. Enclosed for San Antonio are six (6) copies of letterhead memorandum to permit dissemination to appropriate agencies in San Antonio.

Houston furnishing one (1) copy each of letterhead memorandum locally to ICG, ONI, OSI, and Secret Service.

Source referred to in this letterhead memorandum is [redacted] who requested his identity be protected.

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SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

Will, through sources, follow activity described in enclosed letterhead memorandum and any information developed which reflects communist infiltration

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or control should be furnished the Bureau, interested agencies, and offices in form suitable for dissemination.

HOUSTON DIVISION

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Houston, Texas

December 15, 1966

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Re: National Farm Workers  
Association Caravan

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

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

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Mr. Mohr	_____
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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT  
 ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, CHICAGO,  
 ILLINOIS, DECEMBER TWENTY FOUR INSTANT, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

REMYTEL DECEMBER TWENTY THREE LAST.

[REDACTED] ADVISED DECEMBER TWENTY FOUR INSTANT THAT THERE  
 WERE TWO PICKETS OF THE NFWA WHO DEMONSTRATED AT ZIMMERMANN'S  
 LIQUOR STORE FROM ELEVEN AM TO ONE THIRTY PM INSTANT. DEMONSTRATORS  
 CARRIED SIGNS PROTESTING STORE'S SALE OF WINES DISTRIBUTED BY  
 CALIFORNIA WINE ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA. PICKETING  
 PEACEFUL, NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS.

USA, SS AND MILITARY ADVISED. LHM FOLLOWS.

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)  
SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS' ASSOCIATION  
(NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT  
ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE,  
RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS,  
12/17/66  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Chicago teletype to the Bureau 12/17/66;  
Chicago airtel to the Bureau 5/26/66.

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

Enclosed for Los Angeles is 1 copy of a  
letterhead memorandum for information.

A copy of this letterhead memorandum is being  
furnished USA, Chicago.

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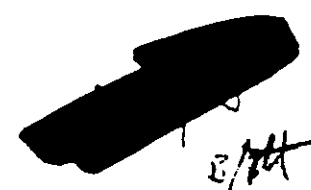
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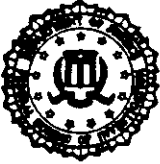
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

100-42662

Chicago, Illinois  
December 19, 1966

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

On December 17, 1966, [REDACTED]

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

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

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

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

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

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633PM URGENT 12-23-66 RMF

TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO /100-42662/ /P/

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION /NFWA/, DEMONSTRATION SCHEDULED  
ZIMMERMAN'S LIQUOR STORE, TWO FOUR ZERO WEST RANDOLPH STREET, CHICAGO,  
DECEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX. INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE CHICAGO AIRTEL DECEMBER NINETEEN LAST.

[REDACTED]  
ADVISED TODAY CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION LED BY GENARO LARA, [REDACTED]  
REPRESENTATIVE, NFWA, AND OBED LOPEZ, WHO HAS RECORD FOR EXCITING  
PEOPLE ON WEST SIDE, PLAN TO PICKET CAPTIONED STORE DECEMBER  
TWENTY FOUR NEXT, COMMENCING TEN A.M. /LARA LED SIMILAR  
DEMONSTRATION DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST. CHICAGO INDICES  
NEGATIVE OTHERWISE. [REDACTED]

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662) ✓  
SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)  
DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN'S LIQUOR STORE,  
RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, 12/24/66  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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

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

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

**[REDACTED]**

The first source utilized in the letterhead memorandum is **[REDACTED]**

second source is **[REDACTED]** third source is **[REDACTED]**

Chicago is following this matter and will furnish all pertinent details to the Bureau.

- Bureau (Enc. 11) (RM)
- Los Angeles (100-67449) (Enc. 1) (INFO) (RM)
- Chicago (1 - 157-413)
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

CG 100-42662

Chicago, Illinois  
December 27, 1966

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

A source of the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), [REDACTED]

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

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

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

On December 24, 1966, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], advised that there were two pickets of the NFWA who demonstrated at Zimmermann's Liquor Store from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM on December 24, 1966. The demonstrators carried signs protesting the store's sale of wines distributed by the California Wine Association, Delano, California. The picketing was peaceful and no arrests were made.

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**RE: NFWA, DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN'S  
LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN  
STREETS, DECEMBER 24, 1966**

Genaro Lara led a similar demonstration on December 17, 1966.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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

Robert T. Sikes  
Assistant United States Attorney, Chicago

[REDACTED]  
United States Secret Service, Chicago

[REDACTED]  
113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois

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

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FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE

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

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

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

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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

APPENDIX

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

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

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

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

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APPENDIXFAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE,  
CHICAGO CHAPTER

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

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

A third source advised on March 9, 1961, that there has been no activity of the FPCC in Chicago since late November, 1963, and for all intents and purposes the organization is defunct.

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

APPENDIX

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3271) (C)

RE: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION CARAVAN, HOUSTON, TEXAS, TO RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS DECEMBER 17, 18, 19, 1966 MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING (SUBVERSIVE CONTROL)

OO: SAN ANTONIO

Re San Antonio Teletype to Bureau 12/16/66.

Caravan arrived Rio Grande City as scheduled. In view of fact no pertinent information obtained, no LHM being submitted and case being closed.

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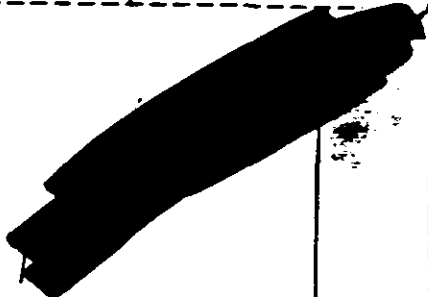
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)  
SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION  
(NFWA) DEMONSTRATION AT PARKWAY  
LIQUOR, 52 WEST DIVISION STREET,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, 1/21/67  
INFORMATION CONCERNING



Re Chicago teletype to Bureau dated 1/21/67,  
and Chicago airtel to Bureau 12/19/66, captioned "National  
Farm Workers Association (NFWA), Demonstration at Zimmermann  
Liquor Store, Randolph and Franklin Streets, 12/17/66,  
Information Concerning."

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of Letterhead  
Memorandum (LHM) dated and captioned as above.

Enclosed for Los Angeles is one copy of a LHM  
for information.

A copy of this LHM is being furnished USA, Chicago.

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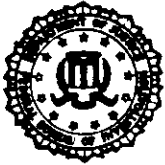
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File # Chicago 100-42662

Chicago, Illinois  
January 23, 1967

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

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

On January 21, 1967, [REDACTED]

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

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

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

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

Co-ordinator [REDACTED] 113th MI  
Group, Evanston, Illinois;

[REDACTED], United States Secret  
Service, Chicago, Illinois;

Mr. Samuel J. Betar, Jr., Assistant United  
States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois.



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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) 2-P

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

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

TODAY, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED AS FOLLOWS: THE

FOLLOWING PERSONS ARRESTED BY STARR COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ABOUT TWO FIFTEEN P.M. THIS DATE AND CHARGED WITH DISTURBING THE PEACE AFTER THEY ENTERED PREMISES OF LA CASITA FARMS, RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO HECKLE NON-UNION WORKERS IN

FIELDS: FATHER SHERILL SMITH, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, CATHOLIC PRIEST; FATHER WILLIAM KILLIAN, SAN ANTONIO CATHOLIC PRIEST; FATHER HARRY W. HAYES, SAN ANTONIO CATHOLIC PRIEST; FATHER

D. J. HEFFERMAN, SAN ANTONIO CATHOLIC PRIEST; CHARLES SMITH, AUSTIN, TEXAS; ISMAEL DIAZ, RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; GREGORIA

SOLIS (FEMALE), RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; NENONAR GARZA

(FEMALE), RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; ANTHONY ORENDAIN, AKA

TONY - AN OFFICIAL OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,

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cc - [REDACTED]

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RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; AND DELANO, CALIFORNIA; BENJAMIN  
RODRIGUEZ, AKA BENITO RODRIGUEZ, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. ALL  
ABOVE RELEASED ON ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS PERSONAL RECOGNIZANCE  
BOND SHORTLY AFTER ARRESTED ON FEBRUARY ONE, INSTANT.

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

THIS ACTIVITY IS IN CONNECTION WITH CONTINUING PROGRAMS  
REGARDING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY. INASMUCH  
AS THIS APPEARS TO BE PART OF A LEGITIMATE LABOR DISPUTE  
INVOLVING A UNION, SAN ANTONIO IS TAKING NO ACTION  
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1045AM CST URGENT 2/2/67 MRH

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-3269

*Internal Circulation*

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

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED TODAY AFTER RECHECKING RECORDS CHARLES SMITH OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, WAS NOT AMONG THE TEN PERSONS ARRESTED FEB. ONE, LAST, AND WAS NOT IN THE AREA TO HIS KNOWLEDGE.

CORRECTED LIST OF THOSE ARRESTED: FATHER SHERRILL SMITH, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; FATHER WILLIAM KILLIAN, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; FATHER MARVIN DOERFLER, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; FATHER D. J. HEFFERNAN, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; FATHER HENRY WILLIAM HAYES, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; ANTHONY ORENDAIN, AKA. TONY, UNITED FARM WORKERS UNION, /UFW/ SECRETARY; BENJAMIN RODRIGUEZ, AKA BENITO RODRIGUEZ, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; AND RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS AND UFW MEMBER; ISMAEL DIAZ,  
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RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; GREGORIA SOLIS, RIO GRANDE CITY,  
TEXAS; LEONOR GARZA, RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

ABOVE BEING SUBMITTED FOR INFO. OF BUREAU.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-3269

*NATIONAL ASSOCIATION*  
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE  
CITY, TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFO . CONCERNING.

TODAY SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN  
THE PAST, ADVISED THAT VALLEY WORKERS ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE  
LED BY ERNIE CORTEZ WILL ASSEMBLE AT THE CRISTO REY CHURCH,  
TWO ONE ZERO NINE EAST SECOND ST., AUSTIN, TEXAS, AT FIVE PM  
TODAY. GROUP EXPECTS FROM FIVE HUNDRED TO ONE THOUSAND  
PEOPLE TO MARCH FROM THE CHURCH TO THE TEXAS STATE CAPITOL  
GROUNDS WHERE THEY WILL FORM TO PROTEST LOW WAGES. SOURCE  
STATED THAT LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS ON THE MINIMUM WAGE BILL  
TO BE HELD AT CAPITOL TONIGHT. SOURCE STATED GROUP INTENDS  
PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION.

THIS ACTIVITY IS IN CONNECTION WITH CONTINUING PROGRAMS  
REGARDING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY. INASMUCH  
AS THIS APPEARS TO BE PART OF LEGITIMATE LABOR DISPUTE, SAN ANTONIO IS TAKING NO ACTION. THIS IS PURELY FOR THE INFORMATION  
OF THE BUREAU. LOCAL AUTHORITIES ARE COGNIZANT.

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CC - [REDACTED]

Mr. Tolson	_____
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Date: 3/14/67

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)  
RE: UNITED FARM WORKERS  
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO  
DELANO, CALIFORNIA  
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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) dated and captioned as above. One copy each of this LHM is being sent to Region II, 115th MI, Pasadena, California; OSI, Norton Air Force Base; NIS, San Diego; U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; and U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles.

This matter will be followed and Bureau will be advised of outcome of march.

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Special Agent in Charge



In Reply, Please Refer to  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California

March 14, 1967

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

On March 10, 1967, [REDACTED]

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

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

[REDACTED] advised that he expects far less than 800 to 1000 persons participating in the above-mentioned activities, and although there could be some mild demonstrations, he expects no particular problems.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished to Region II, 115th MI, U. S. Army, Pasadena, California; OSI, Norton Air Force Base; Naval Investigative Service, San Diego; U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; and the U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles.

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Date: 3/23/67

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

*National Farm Workers Association*

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

The Valley Morning Star newspaper, Harlingen, Texas, morning of 3/23/67, carried a short article datelined Austin, Texas, as follows:

"The Valley Workers Assistance Committee will stage an Easter caravan to Rio Grande City to gather goods for farm workers and their families.

"The caravan will leave from the State Capitol Saturday and take the same route as the farm workers' march last year, meeting a second group from Houston at Corpus Christi before continuing to the Valley.

"Rallies are scheduled in San Antonio, Corpus Christi, and Rio Grande City during the trip."

This activity is in connection with continuing programs regarding the farm workers' strike in the Rio Grande Valley. Inasmuch as this is part of a legitimate labor dispute, San Antonio is taking no action. The above is being submitted purely for the information of the Bureau. REC 46 100 - 444762 -

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SACs, Houston (62-2417) (Enc.)  
San Antonio (62-3257) (Enc.)

March 22, 1967

Director, FBI

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**UNKNOWN SUBJECTS  
UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE  
LA CASITA FARMS, INC. - VICTIM  
ANTI-RACKETEERING**

Forwarded herewith to each office is one copy of memorandum from the Criminal Division of the Department dated 3/15/67, which is self-explanatory.

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

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

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

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

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

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

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

March 21, 1967

Director, FBI

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Walters
- 1 - Mr. Adams
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

**UNKNOWN SUBJECTS  
UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE  
LA CASITA FARMS, INC. - VICTIM  
ANTI-RACKETEERING**

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

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

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

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

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

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**NOTE:**

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

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

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

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

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)(C)  
SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS  
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE  
AFL-CIO  
DELANO, CALIFORNIA  
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Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau 3/14/67.

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One copy each of this LHM is being sent to the following:

- 115th Military Intelligence Group  
Pasadena, California
- NISO, San Diego, California
- Secret Service, Los Angeles, California
- U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles, California
- U. S. Attorney, Sacramento, California
- OSI, Norton Air Force Base, California

W.D. Wick

No further investigation is being conducted in this matter.

- 3 - Bureau (Encls. 8)(RM)
- 1 - Los Angeles

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California  
March 27, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

UNITED FARM WORKERS  
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE  
AFI-CIO  
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

On March 25, 1967, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], advised that approximately 770 persons participated in the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) sponsored march at Delano on March 25, 1967. He said the march began an hour ahead of schedule at 2:30 PM and was completed at approximately 3:30 PM. [REDACTED] stated that the vast majority of individuals observed in the march group were strangers to Delano. Participants included representatives of the clergy, college students, beatniks, and UFWOC members. The demonstration was peaceful and no problems were experienced.

On March 27, 1967, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], advised that no problems were reported by his Delano Substation.

[REDACTED] advised on March 27, 1967 that no problems were incurred with the march gathering of UFWOC members and sympathizers over the period of March 24, 1967 through March 26, 1967, and that most of the outsiders had left Delano.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

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

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

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

Re San Antonio airtel, 3/23/67.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

Since strike activities described in instant LHM are part of a legitimate labor dispute, no further action is being taken by San Antonio.

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BY J.R. beam

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Antonio, Texas

April 3, 1967

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

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

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

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

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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) 1P

*National Farm Workers*  
*Union*

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

RE SAN ANTONIO AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR MAY THREE LAST.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED TODAY SOME  
OF HIS FARM EMPLOYEES STATED BELIEVED UNITED FARM WORKERS  
ASSOCIATION PLANNED TO ATTEMPT TO PREVENT CANTALOUPE PICKERS  
FROM GOING ONTO FARMS BY FORMING HUMAN CHAIN ACROSS ACCESS ROADS.  
ALSO PLANNED PREVENT MOVEMENT OF MELONS TO PACKING SHEDS IN  
SAME MANNER. SINCE STRIKE ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED ARE PART OF  
A LEGITIMATE LABOR DISPUTE NO FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN BY  
SAN ANTONIO.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-44762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3263)

*NATIONAL Farm Workers*  
 RE: **ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS**  
**MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING**

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 3 copies of LHM captioned as above and suitable for dissemination.

Four copies are enclosed for Houston's interest in the activities named in the LHM.

One copy is being disseminated locally to Immigration and Naturalization Service, Port Isabel, Texas, in their interest in ORENDAIN described as a Mexican alien.

Source of information in LHM is [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Since strike activities described in instant LHM are part of a legitimate labor dispute, no further action is being taken by San Antonio.

Bureau (Encl 8)  
 Houston (Encl 4)  
 San Antonio (1-62-3269- ACJWSRGC)

(1- [redacted])  
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 (1-157-269 - SNCC)

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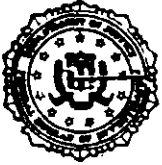
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Agent in Charge

SA 62-3269

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

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



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
San Antonio, Texas  
May 3, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS  
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

A source, who has in the past furnished reliable information, advised on May 2, 1967, as follows:

The weekend of May 5 - 7, 1967, is expected to see present at Rio Grande City, Texas area a group of about 50 demonstrators and their supporters in continuance of the Huelga which has been in progress there during the past several months.

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

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

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

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS  
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

was done in a strike campaign held in the recent past among farm workers in Delano, California.

To replace NELSON as a functionary in the Huelga will be JAMES BRIST, described as a "missionary breacher."

Source described NELSON further as the author of a Huelga book of instructions, which he had issued during the activities in Delano, California. Prior to taking a part in the Delano activities, NELSON reportedly spent a two-year period, 1963 - 1964, in the State of Michoacan, Mexico, where he was a "student and writer." Source further described NELSON as fluent in both Spanish and English and as well an able conversation-  
alist.

Source also observed that TONY BENDAIN, another activist prominent in this Huelga, is a Mexican alien, who originated in the State of Michoacan.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

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

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

TEXAS RANGERS HAVE BEEN IN STARR COUNTY, TEXAS, AND INSTANT  
ARTICLE QUOTED UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE MEMBERS  
AS HAVING SAID THEY HAVE TELEGRAPHED PRESIDENT JOHNSON TO REQUEST  
INVESTIGATION OF TEXAS RANGERS. THEY SAID RANGERS HAD SHOVED  
SEVERAL UNION MEMBERS AND WERE ACTING AS "STRIKE BREAKERS".

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OF SUFFICIENT VALUE TO MAKE HIS SIGNATURE ON BOND ACCEPTABLE.

MC KEITHAN REFUSED TO DO THIS AND NELSON WAS REMANDED TO JAIL UNTIL ACCEPTABLE SURITY OBTAINED WHICH HAS NOT BEEN DONE TO DATE.

SINCE STRIKE ACTIVITIES ARE PART OF A LEGITIMATE LABOR DISPUTE, NO FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN BY SAN ANTONIO.

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To: SAC, San Antonio <sup>EX-102</sup> (62-3269)  
From: Director, FBI <sup>R.C. 18</sup> (100-444762) <sup>19</sup>

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

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

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

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

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



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San Antonio, Texas

September 1, 1967

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

On September 1, 1967, [REDACTED]

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

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

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

[REDACTED] added that there were no incidents during the rally and march.

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

"MARCHERS KICK OFF \$1.25 WAGE DRIVE

"The Valley Farm Workers Assistance Committee rally Thursday night in New Braunfels, scheduled to trigger the committee's 1967 march on Austin, fired a blank.

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

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

RE: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

*NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION*

Re San Antonio Tels 5/12 and 13/67 captioned as  
"ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE  
CITY, TEXAS."

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 9 copies  
of LHM captioned as above which are suitable for  
dissemination.

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Since strike activities are part of a legitimate  
labor dispute, no further action being taken by San Antonio.

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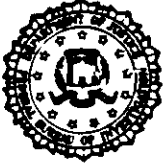
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San Antonio, Texas

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File No.

May 16, 1967

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

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

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

On May 13, 1967, [REDACTED]

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

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

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UFWOC  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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

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

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

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762) *CR*

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

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS  
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE  
MISCELLANEOUS -  
INFORMATION CONCERNING



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

Since activities described in LHM represent a legitimate labor dispute, no further action is being taken by San Antonio.

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1 cc: AAG Civil Rights Unit  
1 cc: [redacted] - G. F. H. / [redacted]

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

San Antonio, Texas

May 19, 1967

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)  
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 MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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

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

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

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- EUGENE NELSON, age 37, white male, UFWOC organizer
- WILLIAM CHANDLER, about 30, Los Angeles Police Department No. LA 546-656-C
- DOMINGO ARREDONDO, age 31, white male, President of UFWOC at Rio Grande City

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4. ~~GILBERTS PADILLA~~, white male, about 35,  
National Vice-President, UFWOC

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

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5.31/67

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

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: Los Angeles.

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

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

On May 4, 1967, [REDACTED], who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that NFWA has its headquarters in Delano, California. The head of the NFWA is CESAR CHAVEZ.

**MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION**

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

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

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

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The source advised that Reverend GILBERT CARROLL, Cardinal's Committee for Spanish-Speaking People, 13 South Wabash, Chicago; Reverend DANIEL ALVAREZ, Casa Central, 40 North Ashland; and Mr. CHARLES GOMEZ, the former Republican candidate for Cook County Commissioner and publisher of the weekly Spanish language newspaper "El Informador," were members.

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

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

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

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

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

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

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



Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 9 copies of a LHM captioned as above, suitable for dissemination.



Information contained in LHM was furnished telephonically to SA [redacted] after LOPEZ contacted the San Antonio Office and requested that he be called at UFWOC Headquarters, Rio Grande City, Texas, by an Agent.

Bureau should note LOPEZ stated the information contained in LHM had been rendered as testimony on 5/26/67, by himself and GILBERTO PADILLA and EUGENE NELSON to a Sub-Committee of the Texas Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, which Sub-Committee on 5/26/67, completed hearings being held at Rio Grande City, Texas, in connection with the harassment allegations by the UFWOC against the Texas Rangers and other law enforcement officials of that area arising from UFWOC strike activities.

No further inquiry being made in this matter by San Antonio.

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San Antonio, Texas  
May 27, 1967

UNITED FARM WORKERS  
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)

NUMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATIONS

David Lopez, Staff Representative, Organization Department, AFL-CIO, Houston, Texas, furnished the following information on May 26, 1967:

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

On the evening of May 25, 1967, he, Eugene Nelson, an organizer of the UFWOC, and Gilberto Padilla, National Vice-President of the UFWOC, were leaving the Catfish Inn, a restaurant in Rio Grande City, as Captain A. L. Alyee, Officer in Charge, Texas Rangers, Rio Grande City, and Ranger Jack Van Cleave were leaving the Ringgold Hotel, across the street from the Catfish Inn. Captain Alyee called to Nelson telling him he was under arrest, then pointed to Lopez and Padilla saying, "You too." He then said that he and Van Cleave would like them to accompany them somewhere where "one of your men" (referring to a member of the UFWOC) was giving the Rangers trouble. Lopez, Nelson, and Padilla agreed to follow the Rangers in their own cars. Lopez, at this point, started back into the Catfish Inn to get one Albert Armendarez, a member of the Texas Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, and Bill Oliver, a U. S. Civil Right Commission staff member, to witness the situation. Captain Alyee and Ranger Van Cleave entered their own car and drove away at a high rate of speed and Lopez, Nelson, and Padilla took this to mean that the Rangers did not want them to follow. They did not follow.

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

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ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)

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

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

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

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\_\_\_\_\_ mentioned in LHM, advised he was furnishing the information on an informational basis in view of the fact it deals with a labor dispute indirectly involving the Missouri-Pacific Railroad. He stated no damage has as yet been sustained by the railroad.

In view of the fact this matter represents a legitimate labor dispute, no active investigation being conducted by San Antonio.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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May 31, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS  
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

On May 29, 1967, [REDACTED]

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

[REDACTED] stated the Missouri-Pacific Railroad Company has as yet sustained no material damage related to UFWOC activities.

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Date: 6/1/67

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FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P) *5*

RE: *National Farm Workers Association*  
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.

DAVID LOPEZ, mentioned in LHM, stated he was furnishing the information to make it a matter of record and had no specific complaint.

Pertinent law enforcement agencies are cognizant of UFWOC plans for the June 3, 1967, rally at Rio Grande City, Texas.

San Antonio following through established sources.

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San Antonio, Texas

June 1, 1967

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

On May 31, 1967, [REDACTED]

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

On May 31, 1967, David Lopez, Organizational Staff, AFL-CIO, Houston, Texas, presently assigned at Rio Grande City as an advisor to the UFWOC, advised that Mrs. William L. Chandler, wife of UFWOC organizer William L. Chandler, and UFWOC member Horacio ~~Sarmiento~~, were arrested about 5 p.m. that date near the Missouri-Pacific Railroad Depot, Rio Grande City, on identical charges as those arrested above. As of 8:45 p.m., they had as yet not been afforded an appearance before a local magistrate and bond had as yet not been set.

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

Mr. Lopez stated the UFWOC plans to hold a rally on June 3, 1967, at a public park located one block west of UFWOC headquarters, Rio Grande City. The rally is meant to be "a show of strength" only and no demonstrations are planned. About

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RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS  
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200 to 300 members and supporters of the UFWOC are expected.

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

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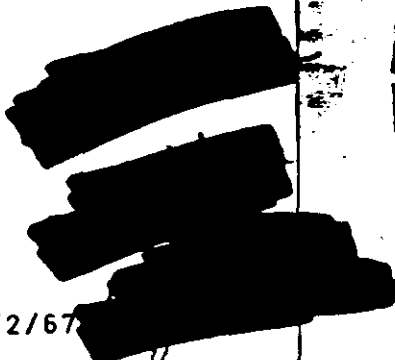
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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

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



Re San Antonio teletype to the Bureau 6/2/67

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination. Information copies being furnished to Dallas, Houston, and El Paso, in view of contents of LHM.

Local dissemination has been made to Secret Service, San Antonio and Austin, OSI, NISO, 112th MI GP., SAPD, and Texas DPS.

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AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS Will follow through appropriate sources activities regarding this matter.

C Wick

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1cc LABOR DESK, TICKLER

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San Antonio

June 2, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING TRADE UNION STRIKE  
IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

On June 2, 1967, [REDACTED] Special Agent,  
112th Military Intelligence Group, Austin, Texas, advised  
an undated leaflet entitled "Melon Season Caravan. Caravan to  
Rio Grande City" issued by The University of Texas Valley  
Workers Assistance Committee, 2200 Guadalupe, Austin, Texas,  
set forth in part that on June 2, 1967, groups from Dallas,  
Houston, and Austin, were departing for San Antonio, Texas,  
where they would meet at the [REDACTED] at 10 p.m.,  
June 2, 1967.

According to the leaflet, the caravan is scheduled  
to leave San Antonio for Rio Grande City, Texas, at 5 a.m.,  
June 3, 1967, arriving in Rio Grande City 11 a.m. and will be  
picketing for the remainder of the day. Leaflet also set  
forth that a meeting is to be held at The University of Texas  
YMCA, Austin, Texas, at 7 p.m., June 2, 1967, in reference to  
the above caravan.

On June 2, 1967, David Lopez, staff representative,  
611-010, Houston, Texas, presently assigned as advisor to  
United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, (UFWOC), at Rio  
Grande City, Texas, has advised that the UFWOC plans a rally  
at the public park one block east of UFWOC headquarters, Rio  
Grande City, Texas, June 3, 1967.

According to Lopez, no picketing or demonstrations  
are planned and rally will consist of speeches by various  
union officials.

On June 2, 1967, Erasmo Andrade, State Chairman,  
Valley Workers Assistance Committee, San Antonio, Texas, con-  
tacted the San Antonio Office of the FBI regarding the above

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

The following individuals were contacted and furnished the above information on June 2, 1967, at times indicated:

12:42 p.m., [REDACTED]

12:48 p.m., [REDACTED] United States Secret Service, San Antonio, Texas

12:57 p.m., [REDACTED] United States Secret Service, Austin, Texas

1:03 p.m., [REDACTED] 112th Military Intelligence Group

1:16 p.m., [REDACTED] Intelligence Division, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas

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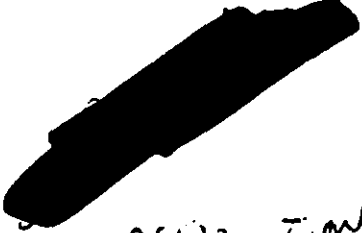
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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)



*NATIONAL*

*ASSOCIATION*

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

RESATEL JUNE TWO, LAST.

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

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RE: <sup>NATIONAL</sup> ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION  
STRIKE, IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS  
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Re San Antonio teletype 6/2/67.

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As mentioned in retel, due to the fact this represents a legitimate labor dispute which has deep seated political implications, no further investigation being conducted.

*Wick*

2cc SAC CRIM. DIV. by GSD  
1cc LABOR DESK, FRONTIER

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1cc AAG Civil Rights Unit  
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June 2, 1967

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

David Lopez, staff representative, AFL-CIO, Houston, Texas, presently assigned as advisor to the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), furnished the following information on June 2, 1967.

At about 11:15 p.m., June 1, 1967, four Texas Rangers under the command of Ranger Captain A. L. Alyee, appeared at UFWOC headquarters, Rio Grande City, Texas, armed with shotguns inquiring for UFWOC members Magdalena Dimas and Ben Rodriguez. UFWOC organizer William L. Chandler spoke with Rangers and told them he did not know where Dimas and Rodriguez were. The Rangers did not mention charges involved. In Chandler's opinion, the Rangers were drinking. After Rangers left UFWOC headquarters, Chandler went to 409 North E Street, Rio Grande City, where Dimas, Rodriguez, and other UFWOC members reside to warn them Rangers were looking for them. Rangers reportedly arrived at the house, broke down two doors, and arrested Dimas and Rodriguez. They showed no warrant. According to UFWOC member Kathy Baker, who also was staying at above residence, the Rangers beat Dimas and Rodriguez severely and used vulgar language. No charge was mentioned. Dimas and Rodriguez were taken to Starr County Jail, Rio Grande City. Members of the local press media were notified of the above immediately by Lopez.

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1:46PM URGENT 6-3-67 GAA

TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62 -3269)

*NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION*

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

RESATELS JUNE TWO, LAST.

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

FOR INFO OF BUREAU, BASIS FOR DR. CASSO'S BELIEF THAT INJURY WAS INFLICTED IS UNKNOWN.

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

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

SAME NEWSPAPER CARRIES ARTICLE ON PAGE ONE WHICH QUOTED COL. HOMER GARRISON, DIRECTOR, TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, WHO IS A HIGHLY RESPECTED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IN TEXAS, AS SAYING CHARGES OF RANGERS' BRUTALITY ARE "TOTALLY FALSE AND UNFOUNDED". HE NOTED "THE CHARGE OF POLICE BRUTALITY IS THE COMMON DEFENSE AND CRY OF A PROFESSIONAL CRIMINAL AND AGITATOR" AND REFERRING TO STATEMENTS BY CRITICS OF THE TEXAS RANGERS SAID "IF THEY OBEY THE LAW, NO TEXAS RANGER EVER HAS OR EVER WILL MOLEST THEM".

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PAGE THREE

JUNE THREE, INSTANT, EDITION OF THE VALLEY MORNING STAR, A DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED AT HARLINGEN, TEXAS, CARRIES ARTICLE ON PAGE ONE CAPTIONED "KEEP THE RANGERS HERE", WHICH STATES PETITIONS ARE BEING WIDELY CIRCULATED AMONG STARR COUNTY CITIZENS DIRECTED TO COL. GARRISON, SUPRA, THANKING HIM FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE RANGERS IN STARR COUNTY AND URGING THAT THEY REMAIN. PURPOSE OF THE PETITIONS, ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, IS TO OPPOSE A STATEMENT BY LIBERAL STATE SENATOR JOE BERNAL OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, WHO HAS SAID HE WILL ASK GOVERNOR JOHN CONNALLY TO REMOVE THE RANGERS FROM STARR COUNTY.

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

SINCE THIS IS A PART OF CONTINUING LABOR DISPUTE IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY WHICH HAS DEEP POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS AND HAS RECEIVED WIDE-SPREAD PUBLICITY IN LOCAL AND NATIONAL NEWS MEDIA, NO ACTION IS RECOMMENDED BY SAN ANTONIO.

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539 PM 6/2/67 URGENT LAL

TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

*NATIONAL FARMWORKERS ASSOCIATION*

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE. MISC. INFO. CONCERNING

JUNE TWO INSTANT EDITION OF VALLEY EVENING MONITOR, DAILY  
 NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED MC ALLEN, TEXAS, CARRIES FRONT PAGE ARTICLE  
 CAPTIONED, "BERNAL SAYS CONNALLY WILL BE ASKED TO REMOVE TEXAS  
 RANGERS", WHICH STATES IN PART THAT BEN RODRIGUEZ AND MAGDALENO  
 DIMAS OF UFWOC WERE ARRESTED THURSDAY NIGHT, JUNE ONE LAST;  
 DIMAS ON CHARGE OF CARRYING A DEADLY WEAPON AND DISTURBING THE  
 PEACE AT LA CASITA FARMS, RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; RODRIGUEZ  
 CHARGE OF HELPING DIMAS RESIST ARREST.

ARTICLE STATES THAT ACCORDING TO JUSTICE OF THE PEACE  
 BRIGIDO S. LOPEZ, RIO GRANDE CITY, DIMAS SUFFERED SMALL CUT NEAR  
 ONE EAR AND RODRIGUEZ A SMALL CUT ON ONE FINGER. BOTH WERE  
 TREATED AT A RIO GRANDE CITY HOSPITAL ON ORDERS OF JUSTICE OF  
 PEACE LOPEZ.

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ARTICLE FURTHER STATES STATE SENATOR JOE BERNAL, SAN ANTONIO,  
 TEXAS, IN PRESS CONFERENCE AT MC ALLEN, TEXAS, JUNE TWO INSTANT, 1967

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*cc - [redacted]*



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

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CR Section  
Texas County  
Capt. W. A. T.  
ALLEN et al  
by [unclear]  
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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

We have received several complaints from the Rio Grande City, Texas, area in recent months from various sources regarding the alleged mistreatment and denial of civil rights by law enforcement officers in that area in connection with the strike of farm workers. Limited inquiries have been conducted at the request of the Department and results of such inquiries have been furnished to the Civil Rights Division. A recent request by the Department to interview Mr. Henry Munoz, Jr., of the Texas Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights concerning his alleged knowledge of violations in this area is presently being handled by the San Antonio Office. The Department will be contacted regarding its desires in this matter.

WCD:wjc

*J* *claw* *Ken*

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11:08 AM URGENT 6/2/67 ADJ

TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, <sup>(UFWOC)</sup> MISCELLANEOUS  
INFORMATION CONCERNING.

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

AT ABOUT ELEVEN FIFTEEN PM, JUNE ONE LAST, FOUR TEXAS  
RANGERS COMMANDED BY RANGER CAPTAIN A. L. ALYEE, APPEARED AT  
UFWOC HEADQUARTERS, RIO GRANDE CITY, ARMED WITH SHOTGUNS  
INQUIRING FOR UFWOC MEMBERS MAGDALENO DIMAS AND BEN RODRIGUEZ.  
UFWOC ORGANIZER WILLIAM L. CHANDLER SPOKE WITH RANGERS, ADVISING  
THEM DID NOT KNOW WHERE DIMS AND RODRIGUEZ WERE. RANGERS DID  
NOT MENTION CHARGE INVOLVED. IN CHANDLER'S OPINION, RANGERS  
WERE DRINKING. WHEN RANGERS LEFT, CHANDLER WENT TO FOUR ZERO  
NINE N.E. ST., RIO GRANDE CITY, WHERE DIMAS AND RODRIGUEZ AND OTHER  
UFWOC MEMBERS RESIDE TO WARN THEM RANGERS WERE LOOKING  
FOR THEM. RANGERS REPORTEDLY ARRIVED AT HOUSE, SHOWED NO  
WARRANT, BROKE DOWN TWO DOORS, AND ARRESTED DIMAS AND RODRIGUEZ.

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

TO JUN 8 1967

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ACCORDING TO UFWOC MEMBER KATHY BAKER, WHO WAS ALSO STAYING AT ABOVE RESIDENCE, RANGERS BEAT RODRIGUEZ AND DIMAS SEVERELY AND USE<sup>D</sup> VULGAR LANGUAGE. NO CHARGE WAS MENTIONED. DIMS AND RODRIGUEZ WERE TAKEN TO STARR CO. JAIL, RIO GRANDE CITY. LOCAL PRESS REPRESENTATIVES WERE NOTIFIED OF ABOVE IMMEDIATELY BY LOPEZ.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

BUREAU REFER TO SAN ANTONIO AIRTELS ENCLOSING  
*LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM*  
~~LETTERS~~ CAPTIONED AS ABOVE DATED MAY SIXTEEN, NINETEEN, TWENTY-  
NINE, AND THIRTYONE LAST, AND JUNE ONE LAST, AS WELL AS  
CORRESPONDENCE PRIOR TO MAY FIFTEEN LAST UNDER CAPTION  
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY,  
TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING, SAME BUFILE AS  
ABOVE. BUREAU ALSO REFER TO BUAIRTEL 5/31/67 CAPTIONED "UNSUBS;  
UNKNOWN VICTIM, HENRY MUNOZ JR., COMPLAINANT; CIVIL RIGHTS.

IT IS NOTED THIS MATTER REPRESENTS PART OF CONTINUING  
LABOR DISPUTE IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY WHICH HAS DEEP POLITICAL  
IMPLICATIONS AND HAS RECEIVED WIDE SPREAD PUBLICITY IN LOCAL  
AND NATIONAL NEWS MEDIA AND HAS CAUSED WIDE SPREAD BICKERING

PAGE THREE

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

*LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM*  
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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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Date: 6/3/67

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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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  
*N.A.T.*  
*NATIONAL Farm Worker*  
*Ass. Union*  
Re San Antonio teletype, 6/2/67.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 9 copies of LHM dated and captioned as above which is suitable for dissemination.

Since information contained in LHM represents continuing legitimate labor dispute in Starr County, Texas, matter is being followed through established sources.

1cc: AAG Civil Rights Division  
Form 6-94 - *F. W. C. / eum*

JUN 7 1967 1 cc CIVIL RIGHTS UNIT  
*conceded to Texas Ranger Capt.*  
*A. Y. ALLEN, ETAL; Magdalena Jimas*  
*Garza, ETAL - Victims - CR.* REC-52

2cc SAC ST. LOUIS by O-5D  
1cc LABOR DESK, TUCKER

*100-444762-118*

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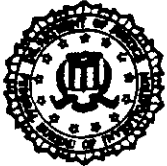
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San Antonio, Texas  
June 3, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM  
WORKERS STRIKE IN  
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

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

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

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

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

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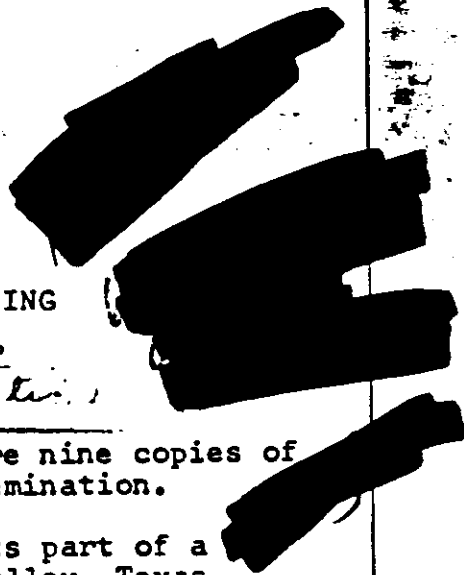
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WORKERS STRIKE IN  
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MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

*National Farm Workers*  
ReSAtel-6/3/67. *(Assn. letter)*



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

Information contained in LHM reports part of a continuing labor dispute in the Rio Grande Valley, Texas, which is being followed through established sources.

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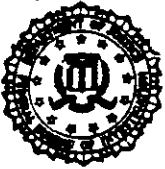
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San Antonio, Texas

June 3, 1967

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM  
WORKERS STRIKE IN  
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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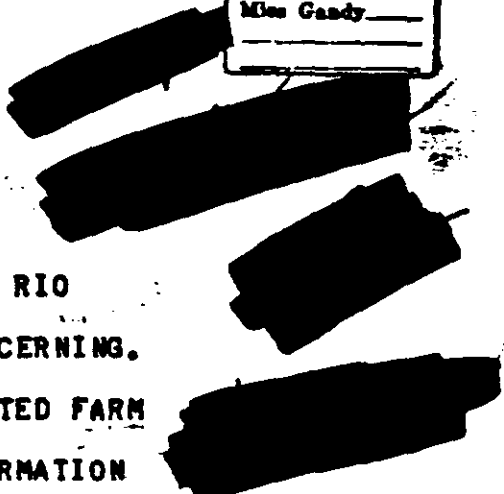
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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762) <sup>0</sup> NATIONAL FARM  
FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) WORKERS  
ASSOCIATION



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

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

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

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF BUREAU, ON JUNE TWO INSTANT,  
[REDACTED] SPECIAL AGENT, ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH MI GP,

AUSTIN, TEXAS. ADVISED AN UNDATED LEAFLET ENTITLED,  
"MELON SEASON SONVOY, CARAVAN TO RIO GRANDE CITY", ISSUED

BY UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS VALLEY WORKERS ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE, TWO  
TWO ZERO ZERO GUADALUPE, AUSTIN, TEXAS, SET FORTH IN PART THAT

ON JUNE TWO INSTANT, GROUPS FROM DALLAS, HOUSTON, AND AUSTIN,  
WERE DEPARTING FOR SAN ANTONIO WHERE THEY WOULD MEET AT THE

PRODUCE TERMINAL AT TEN PM. THE CARAVAN IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE

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PAGE TWO

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

IT IS NOTED DAVID LOPEZ, STAFF REPRESENTATIVE, AFL-CIO, HOUSTON, TEXAS, PRESENTLY ASSIGNED AS ADVISOR TO UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) AT RIO GRANDE CITY, HAS ADVISED THE UFWOC PLANS RALLY AT PUBLIC PARK ONE BLOCK WEST OF UFWOC HEADQUARTERS, RIO GRANDE CITY, JUNE THREE NEXT. ACCORDING TO LOPEZ, NO PICKETING OR DEMONSTRATIONS ARE PLANNED AND RALLY WILL CONSIST OF SPEECHES BY VARIOUS UNION OFFICIALS.

PAGE THREE

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

LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND SECRET SERVICE COGNIZANT. LHM

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM  
WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO  
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MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re San Antonio teletype, 6/4/67.

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 legitimate labor dispute, San Antonio is following through established sources.

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San Antonio, Texas

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS  
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS  
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On the evening of June 8, 1967, [REDACTED]

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

The June 7, 1967, edition of the Valley Evening Monitor, a daily newspaper published at McAllen, Texas, carried an article on its front page captioned, "Senators Say Rangers Needed," which article states Texas state senators Oscar Mauzy of Dallas, Don Kennard of Fort Worth and A.R. Schwartz of Galveston had completed an investigation at Rio Grande City, Texas, with the conclusion that Texas Rangers are needed in the Rio Grande Valley to prevent possible violence arising from the farm labor dispute in that area.

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

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

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