COORDINATION

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT: June 13 - July 31, 1960: Submitted August 5

I. LETTERS FROM THE JUNE MEETING:

At the June 10-13 meeting of SNCC, the following letters were drafted or later drafts were requested:

- (A) To lawyers assisting in the students' cases-letter sent to Attorney J. W. Hatchett of Daytona Beach, Florida who handled Henry Thomas's case on July 11 and following. No other names of lawyers have been sent in.
- letter drafted at the meeting (B) To students who were expelled: was sent to the following: Mr. Augusta Edward Grace, Jr. - Alabama State Joe Louis Read Southern University Misses Jo Ann and Yvonne Morris -Mr. Marvin E. Robinson -Miss Lillian Graves -Kentucky State Miss Amanda Hodges -Miss Mary A Cossey -11 11 11 11 Mr. Lester Tripp -11 Mr. Frank T. Howard -Mr. J. D. Detwyler -Mr. George F. Mahin -Mr. Jerome Williams -11 11 11 11 11: 11 11 Mr. Owen Carter -Mr. Samuel H. Bolden -Mr. Errol Pease - (withdrew) Mr. Theodrick Morton - (withdrew) 11 11 11 11 . 15 11 11 Mr. Alfred Lampkins - (withdrew) Mr. James Steele - (withdrew) Mr. Edward B. King, Jr. 11 11 11 11 11 11

Of these, some students wrote directly to us. The Kentucky State names were sent in by Edward King, Jr. All students received a letter from us and their names were sent in to The National Scholarship Service and Fund for Negro Students. Students were instructed to file application with NSSFNS; NSSFNS was informed of their need. We have written NSSFNS for a complete report of progress to date.

(C) <u>To certain organizations</u>: A letter, explaining the nature of SNCC, its development and needs was written to certain organizations. These groups were asked to send observers to SNCC meetings: NAACP-cannot send a national representative, but suggests we

ask someone from the local branch. CORE-needing its personnel on the field work spots may not be able to have a person here at each meeting. Mr. Marvin Rich, Community Relations Director for National CORE

represents the organization at this meeting. ACLU-appointed Attorney Robert Cohn of Atlanta to serve. NSSFNS-will remain in close touch with us via Mr. Julian Robinson, School-College Relations.

UNCF-United Negro College Funds has no money to assist expelled students as all of their funds go directly to member colleges. No reply to the request for an observer.

- YWCA-will continue to send local ppresentatives when possible. They have been quite eager to obtain and help distribute "The Student Voice".
- FOR-will be unable to send a representative due to the distance from their national office. However, in the future they hope to have a staff member in Atlanta and , at that time, will set this person as an observer. FOR is very willing to help in any way, sending literature, assisting in workshops, and helping with conferences.

EPEC-no reply at all.

SDS-no reply at all. A request for the newsletter, but no answer to a request for information about the SDS Conferences on Civil Rights in the North.

EPIC EMERGENCY FUND-no reply.

PITTSBURGH COURIER - SNCC cannot receive funds from the "Dollars for Dignity" program since this money is forwarded to the Legal Defense Dept. of NAACP and the paper itself does not make decisions on allocations.

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II. COMMUNICATIONS WITH OTHER SYMPATHY GROUPS:

Various letters have come in. Some request information about SNCC, copies of the newsletter. Others have sent funds. Consistent support comes from the American Friends Service Committee, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, National Student Christian Federation, Southern Conference Educational Fund, Brotherhood of Sleeping-Car Porters, and Bayard Rustin.

We have written the Anti-Defamation League welcoming their observer who will be attending after September. Other groups which have written are:

The Westminster Foundation of Pennsylvania State University Memphis Student Movement National Federation of Temple Youth of the Union of American

Hebrew Congregations

Social Action Affairs Secretariat of the National Federation of Catholic College Students

Human Relations Club of Wilson Junior College in Chicago The Field Foundation

The Students for Racial Equality, Berkeley, California (this group is offering a \$1000 grant for an expelled student. They are now working through NSSFNS)

Various interested individuals.

Submitted by: Jane Stembridge August 5, 1960

***GLARING OMISSION: "Southern Project" USNSA has consistently supported SNCC and made important contributions to our meetings. "Southern Project" is represented at the August meeting; in addition, we welcome Mr. Curt Gans, National Affairs Vice-President from United States National Student Association.