

PROPOSAL OR SUGGESTION TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Since June of last year (1963,) John R. Lewis has been chairman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee. During that (this) time John has visited all of the SNCC field offices and taken an active part in the programs of the local projects. John has also managed to travel over 100,000 miles, making personal appearances, for fund raising and presenting SNCC to the general public.

While traveling John has little or no companions; he usually travels alone. There have been many times when John needed company, someone from SNCC. There have been moments when John was put into or forced into tight spots where-in he needed someone to call the Atlanta office and get opinions of others before making a decision, but there wasn't anyone. John has needed someone to help him write and type his speeches. He has needed someone to keep an accurate schedule for him....John simply needs someone to travel with him.

I do hereby propose that a secretary, press secretary, travel companion or someone travel with him. I also volunteer my services and if it is felt that I am not capable to fill this type of position, I suggest that someone be found (immediately) to travel with John, SOMEONE. I make this suggestion, and I hope that it will be implemented soon, very soon, at this meeting.