April 1, 1965

TO: FRIENDS OF SNCC

RE: Letter writing campaign to Congressmen about an amendment to the voting bill calling for new elections.

Enclosed is some material from the MFDP about the new voting bill, the necessity for an amendment providing for new election and suggested action re the voting bill. The testimony of Mrs. Victoria Gray, FDP Congresswoman from the 5th District of Mississippi, before the Subcommittee #5 of the House Judiciary Committee is of particular interest.

We hope you can use this material when you're contacting people about the letter-writing campaign to Congressmen concerning a new elections amendment. It's very important that letters and telegrams get to Congressmen and Senators about new elections as soon as possible. In less than two weeks the voting bill will be out of committee.

We're also encouraging people to keep working on the Hammermill Boycott. Enclosed is a letter from Mr. Devitt, the President of Hammermill, to John Lewis and John's reply. A background report on Hammermill accompanies these letters. More will follow.

For Freedom,

Margaret Lauren