

ADDITION TO THE MEMO ON BAIL OF JUNE 14

June 16, 1965

AS OF THE WRITING OF THIS MEMO, THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 500 PEOPLE IN JAIL IN JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, WITH A TOTAL BAIL OF OVER \$50,000 NEEDED. WE NEED TO GET THEM OUT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AND ALSO WANT TO HAVE MONEY READY FOR THE MANY MORE ARRESTS WE ANTICIPATE DURING THE SUMMER.

This memo is intended to add to and correct the information given in the memo on bail of June 14.

We spoke about people lending money, and people donating money outright. We suggest the following as the safest and most effective means of handling bail money.

#### LOANS:

People may be reluctant to lend money for bail for fear that, in the disorder of the struggle, the appropriate records will get lost and their money will not be returned. There is a trusteeship arrangement set up to handle money loaned for bail. It is called the Mississippi Bail Loan Fund (MBLF). The enclosed forms--an information sheet (white) and a copy of the receipt given to lenders to the Fund (pink)--are for you to show to prospective bail donors.

We have found that the MBLF is the safest and most efficient way of assuring that records are kept and that the money will eventually be returned. So if people in the North are willing to lend money to a general bail fund, we would prefer that you urge them to make out their checks immediately to the MBLF and send them to Rm. 803, 100 Fifth Ave., NYC 10011. HAVE PEOPLE WHO WANT TO HELP BAIL OUT THE PEOPLE ARRESTED IN JACKSON SEND THEIR CHECKS IMMEDIATELY TO MBLF.

(Incidentally, don't let the name fool you. The money in the MBLF can be used in special cases for people arrested in other states, and right now the MBLF trustees are changing the regulations of the Fund so that it will be available for general use in the South.)

ALL LOANS MADE TO THE MBLF SHOULD BE OF AT LEAST \$100.

Sometimes people would prefer to lend money for a specific incident; try to impress upon them that there is more assurance that their money will be returned if they put it into the MBLF. But if they still want to hold it until some specific incident, follow the procedure outlined in the June 14 memo as to wiring, notifying Atlanta, keeping records, etc.)

#### DONATIONS:

If people want to donate sums of less than \$100 for bail purposes, have them send that money to the "SNCC Bail Fund" (make out checks to the "SNCC Bail Fund"). This is a specific account set up in Atlanta. Checks should be sent to 360 Nelson St., Atlanta, Ge. 30313.

Please get to work immediately on raising loans of \$100 or more for the Mississippi Bail Loan Fund. And send any donations of less than \$100 given specifically for bail to the "SNCC Bail Fund."

Work out! *Barbara Brandt*  
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