MEMO
20 August 1966

To: Central Committee
From: Theophilus Smith
Subject: Chicago SNCC

Sorry to take so long to write; I had to hitch-hike back.

First of all, Chicago SNCC office is in the wrong place; it shouldn't be in an apartment. Monroe has a family and I think his family needs some privacy. Another reason is when Monroe and Carol fall out with each other it won't come into conflict with the other people or the office work.

Chicago SNCC is a "Friends of SNCC" because of the way it is set up and operated. 3/4 of SNCC (Monroe and Carol) activities are raising funds and the other 1/4 of their activity goes into programs with other civil rights groups.

Carol has too much control of SNCC office. As a matter of fact, she runs the whole operation. 1/4 of the time, Monroe doesn't be there.

August 6 Monroe sent me into the 4th ward to do political organizing; in the 12th precinct. I thought he was going to give me an orientation before going into the community but he didn't. I asked him to fill me in on some of the things that I will encounter in organizing. His response xx was crummy. It was surprising that he didn't ask me to give a written report each day of my activities. To make a long story short, he didn't know how to organize politically

Monroe isn't ~~xxxxxxx~~ efficient in more ways than this one. He will wake up any time from 10:30 to 12 p.m. after which he will leave the apartment. He will appear around 5 p.m. or 7 p.m. Like I said before, Mornoe doesn't be there 1/4 of the time. After he comes in around 5 or 7 he is out again.

If SNCC is to progress in Chicago it is going to call for reorganizing. Carol must go; she has a family and she is needed there the most. For Monroe, he is needed but he is in the wrong position.

Bobby, Melvin, Butch and some more guys who are serious, alert, intelligent and willing to give up their lives for the cause are kept back because they have no one to instruct them in a constructive way.

My reason for bringing this up is because I <u>care</u>.

I have only mentioned alittle of what has been going on.

Black Power,

Theophilus