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FEDERAL PROTECTION URGED IN McCOMB

McCOMB, MISSISSIPPI -- In the wake of increased violence in McComb, the following letter from the project director was sent to Burke Marshall, John Doar, and to several Congressmen who have evidenced an interest in the Mississippi Summer Project.

Despite summer-long appeals for federal protection in Mississippi, incidents of violence and harassment have been the pattern for the summer, and, with the formal ending of the summer project and its movement into a new phase, are on the increase.

We pass along this letter in the hope that out of your own knowledge of the summer, it may have some relevance for you and for those with whom you have had contact.