Boston: Pam Emerson
Boston office called John Doar at 12:30pm who told her that it was the 11th call he had received from SNCC people in a couple of hours. He told her that the JD was doing everything they could.

Detroit: Martha Kocel
At 1pm Martha called John Doar. She told her that he had received a call from SNCC people in a couple of hours. He told her that he was doing everything possible in Selma and that he was keeping in contact with SNCC people there.

The Detroit Friends are also calling the UAW and asking them to call Sheriff Clark. UAW will send out an office memo so that effect, so he should receive as many as 50 calls from Detroit. Martha Kocel called Sheriff Clark and talked with his secretary. When she asked why Negroes were being made to go to the back of the courthouse, the secretary answered that everyone had to.

Selma: 2:30 Mary Varela to Sandra Stovall
John Lewis, Francis Mitchell, John Love and James Austin have been arrested.

Between 40 and 50 people were standing on the steps of the federal building. Three young boys with posters went over to the courthouse and were allowed to stay there about 5 minutes. Meanwhile the people at the federal building began to sing and then began moving down the steps. A group of possemen with cattle prodders moved up to meet them and arrested the whole group.

Selma:
During an earlier call from Mitchell reported that John and others had headed down to Broad Street and that the office had received a report that white youths were going down there with bags of rocks.

Report on Selma from Greenwood:
Re above arrests: The group was standing on the federal building steps, Lewis, Mitchell, Love and Austin amongst them. Three youngsters went over to the courthouse with signs. The sign was taken from one girl, one boy was arrested. When that happened, the group on the steps began to sing. The had been signing for about two minutes when Sheriff Clark shouted through a horn that everyone would be arrested for disturbing the court which had been in session for 10 minutes. A group of posse charged at the federal building arrested the whole group.

Mary Varela received a report that when the group was taken around the corner they were beaten with night sticks and cattle prodders were used on them. All newsmen were chased down the street away from the federal building.

Washington, D.C. John Doar: 2:45pm
Called John Doar and left a report concerning the arrests in Selma with his secretary. Emphasized that arrests took place on steps of federal building.

Atlanta AP and UPI were called: they already had the story from their men down in Selma.
Americus, Georgia (Sumter County). NEGRO AND WHITE MOBS FORMING Robert Mants
About 150 whites are grouped downtown in front of the Martin Theatre, scene
of a riot last night. Negroes have been grouping to oppose them and dispersing
periodically. Mants has helped to disperse them. Police and firemen are
present in the area. Earlier in the day Negroes ate at George's Restaurant
and the B&B Restaurant in downtown Americus. There were no incidents.

Atlanta, Ga. July 6, 1964 8:15 pm John Perdew

REPORT TO FBI - I informed agent Charles Haynes of Atlanta FBI that Willie
Ricks in Americus had called at 8:00 pm, had said that Negroes were organizing
to meet a white mob tonight, that there was a white mob downtown, size unspecified.
I insisted that the mere presence of a mob at the site of a public accommodation
which Negroes had been using constituted interference with the implementation
of the Civil Act of 1964. I said I understood that anybody interfering with the
implementation of the Act was liable to prosecution. I claimed that I thought
FBI agents should go immediately to the scene and if necessary use their power of
arrest to keep the situation under control. Haynes replied that he was not determin
ing policy, that it was determined from Washington, and that the policy was not
to go into the field and interfere with the actions of local law enforcement
officers to keep law and order. I answered that I wasn't sure that law and order
would be kept, that my concern was preventive measures, not post fact reports.
Reminded Haynes that Sunday night the police and firemen had attempted only to
disperse the Negro mob and not the whites.

Atlanta, Ga. - July 6, 1964 - 10:00 pm John Perdew

REPORT TO FBI - Called Albany FBI agent Joseph H. O'Rourke and informed him of
what Mants had said concerning mobs forming in Americus at the time. O'Rourke
said he couldn't act except on orders from Atlanta FBI agent Charles Haynes.
When I said I had already talked to him, O. asked me that he had said. I told him
I emphasized that my concern was prevention of an incident, not reports after the
fact. He said he had been informed that the State Patrol had been held in reserve
last night in case police couldn't handle the incident.

WATS REPORT - July 6, 1964 11:10 pm Taken by John Perdew

Americus Ga. (Sumter County). Robert Mants. WHITES SHOOTING IN NEGRO SECTION
Carload of Whites went through Seaboard side of Americus shooting in Negro
residential area. So far no one reported hit. The downtown area appears to
be clear of groups now. All people in SNCC house have just taken refuge
in Barnum Funeral Home when they heard noise of what sounded like an approachi
crowd. Learned the crowd was going down Forsyth St. about a block away,
parallel to the street which the SNCC house is on.
Pine Bluff, Arkansas  WATS report from M. Sayer taken by Karen Haberman

July 6       3:20 AM

Helena- Jail Beating testing of public accom.

Thomas Allen SNCC from Pine Bluff Negro, 18, working W. Helena.
Ellis Ford, Negro, a local from Helena
Joe Wright, Negro, SNCC, from Cincinnati,

Tested facilities; went to a pool, standing outside of a pool were arrested
by policemen incl. Chief Poy Ross, Joe Wright not arrested.

Ford was allowed to leave after father called the jail and no charges.
Allen was beaten in jail and charged with disturbing the peace.

Atlanta ago old call Arkansas.

Events occurred during the day.

Group had tested the public library Habib's Cafeteria and were allowed in
and served and then went to the pool.

Wright escaped when saw Chief. Ross split Wright went different
way and then others taken to jail and ID checked and Allen hit in the face when
was in the police station.

Pine Bluff-

Tested several places - Rays Truck stop, Wonderland Truck stop, Whitehouse Cafe
and the Hobnob. Wonderland Larry Segal of NYC! had been served
alone; white Negroes told needed membership card to be served. The entire
group went back in and got served and Larry grabbed by white behind counter
who pushed him several times and said we aren't going to serve Bill Hansen.

Whitehouse: served as left and man with shotgun brandished it but no shooting.

George O'Leary white teacher from Yale U' exchange teacher from A&M went into
Rays and not served and got thrown out by white man who picked him up and
threw him through the door, door fell away and rolled out into parking lot.

Rays: Larry Segal got a ten cent coke and Negroes got charged 20 cents. White c
customer hit Larry in mouth and he was carried out by Negroes.

Correction: Both guys got beaten in jail, but only Allen is still in.