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Gordon Carey  
Asst. National Director  
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Dear Gordon,

On Wednesday night of last week two fellows came to the office, purportedly to satisfy their personal curiosity about CORE. I talked with them about forty-five minutes on general policy, the civil rights bill and voters registration. They were especially interested in the latter, and whether the New Orleans CORE voter registration campaign would support any particular party affiliation. One of them, a Michael Posey, identified himself as a Republican party supporter. In short, the inference would seem to be that these fellows were seeking votes.

At the same time, there is a current unconfirmed story that the sovereignty commission has received \$78,000 from the Louisiana HUAC to investigate CORE and SNCC (one worker) in the state. We're trying to run the story down.

I'm no alarmist. By and large, I'd as soon print our total program in the local newspaper as send it to national office. However, I think it's foolish to be simply contemptuous of these guys; some of the more intelligent ones are downright sinister---the ignorant ones simply kill Negroes. So---any suggestions?

Like all the rest of CORE, I'm worried about the financial situation. Unless we break the impasse, I fear we may have to seriously reduce the summer program. In that regard, could we not send out a letter---perhaps over the signature of a Task Force worker, asking each chapter to chip-in \$300 each for the subsidy of one summer Task Force worker.

I am tentatively planning to attend the May 1 meeting of the steering committee to present a report of current and future projects in ~~the~~ this area. Until then,

Aloha

Richard

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