S.N.C.C. FREEDOM CENTER

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery,

At the end of last summer, SNCC was forced to close several Northern offices, including the Chicago office, as a drastic economy measure. We have held on to the office equipment and tried to keep going because we cannot desert those in the South who have made a total commitment.

At this moment, thousands of poor Negroes in Mississippi and Alabama have been forced off the land for participating in voter registration and SNCC has helped them to set up tent cities. These people are in dire need of the barest necessities: food, clothing, shelter and medical supplies. Funds are needed now to help them and keep SNCC workers in the field.

We are asking you, as friends who have helped so often in the past, to make an emergency contribution today. It will be used to buy stamps and envelopes for a mass mailing to raise funds. We have no one else to ask but our friends.

> Yours in Freedom, Peace through Freedom,

Monroe Sharp

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