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DETROIT POLICE DEPARTMENT

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Date March 26, 1972

To: Commanding Officer, Intelligence Division

Subject: ANTI-STRESS RALLY AT UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT FIELD HOUSE.

The Rally was conducted from 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M., March 26, 1972. There were approximately 5,000 people who attended, 80% Black, 20% White.

The Speakers were:

Michelle Russell, Negro, Female, Head of Labor Defense Coalition, who was more of the M.C. and introduced the Speakers. She did state the purpose of this meeting was to stamp out Stress.

Ken Cockrel, N/M/33, Attorney, who gave a lengthy speech on how Stress has overstepped its authority, about their shootings and condemning them in general, also condemned Sheriff Lucas.

Cornelius Hudson, Negro, Male, of Local 126 spoke against Stress, said it should be outlawed, complained about City layoffs.

Sheila Murphy, White, Female, 24, of Ad-Hoc Committee, gave a short speech on the War here should be stopped by doing away with Stress.

Ted Spearman, Attorney, generalized on stopping Stress and gave some legal points on how to do so.

Dave Mundy, Negro, Male, 38, Black Militants stated, "You have to incite the crowd" and if the Stress problem isn't taken care of then we can get the names of the Stress Officers from the Guardians and they will be taken care of. (An eye for an eye).

Justin Ravitz, White, Male, 31, with various left wing organizations gave the run down of 14 incidents of Stress killings. Mentioned Patrolman Peterson being involved in 8 incidents; of these Peterson was involved in 5 shootings in the area of Charlotte and Woodward and Patrolman Miller was involved in 4 of these, each time a knife was wielded. No officer was injured.

After a 20 minute intermission when the group "Poison" entertained the following speakers were:

Papa Wells, Negro, Male, Alias Henry Wells of Republic of New Africa condemned Stress stated it should be done away with.

Patrolman Peterson

Reggie Wilson, Negro, Male, with "Black Against Racism", his speech was based on uniting the black people, and stated if the Police keep up their animalistic ways we'll have to go to the people.

Rev. George Coleman, White, Male, "Alliance" spoke about most white people not being rich, having it good, etc. Stated it isn't necessary to have Stress.

Frank Joyce, White, Male, 30, Member S.D.S., compared the Stress operations with Viet-Nam. Made jokes about the Police Helicopter crash at Belle Isle and the use of the Copter by the Department.

Jackie Vaughn, III, Negro, Male, State Representative, stated that if Gribbs and Nichols did not abolish Stress then the Attorney General should take over. Also he has repeatedly attempted to get a Citizen Review Board.

Barry Ingram, Negro, Male, of "Operation Get Down" - told the black people they have to get together like the Whites, Chinese, Jews and Indians, then they would have power and eliminate Stress.

Gordon Simms, Negro, Male, with "Eldon Plant", talked about James Johnson an ex-employee who shot several employees at the Eldon Plant with a Carbine after being dismissed.

Georgia Brown, Negro, Female, with "International Black Appeal Benefit", talked about the "Buck" Family, who were in the audience and their son who was shot by Stress.

Tom Moss, Negro, Male, "Michigan Guardian", stated that if Stress is not abolished they have a way of doing away with it. That they have names of some Stress Officers and would not go through the Press but handle it themselves.

Patrolman Ira Samuels, Detroit Police Department, spoke of the Wayne County Sheriff shooting said three have been charged and that the fourth has not been charged but will have to worry about it the rest of his life.

The following people were in the audience and were identified by Security Unit Personnel:

- John Sinclair and Wife - White Panther Party
- Frank Ditto - East Side Voice of Independent Detroit
- Mrs. Ricardo Buck and sister Shirley.
- Bob King - Rally Staff
- Rafel Viera - Republic of New Africa
- Olyphus Parker
- Raymond Howard - Pan African Conference

Maceo Dixon - Socialist Party
Ellen Borison - Students for a Democratic Society
Arthur Heers - Revolutionary Union
Peter Werbe - Fifth Estate
Kennath Watson - Past Editor of South End
Judah Shipp - Republic of New Africa
Anthony Williams - Black Liberation Army
Valarie Neeley
Alfred Hibbitt - Republic of New Africa
Warren Galloway - Republic of New Africa
Roy Harrison Whang - Radical Education Project
Walter McMurthy - Director of Inner City Business Improvement Forum
Fr. Maurice Mulgary - Civil Rights Commission
Marshall Nicholson
Peter Ostrow - Students for a Democratic Society
James F. Bish - Welfare Employees Union
Nancy Woodside - People's Peace Treaty
Carolyn Jonah
John Hock and Wife - Control Conflict and Change
Peggy Case - People's Peace Treaty
Josh Lerner - People's Peace Treaty
Eugene Isquerdo (Phonetic) - People's Peace Treaty
James Williams - Black Conscious Library
Warren Galloway "Abdullah" - Republic of New Africa
Gregory Hicks - Black Panther Party
Alex Grant
Allen Grant
Austin Grant
Gloria House - Black Panther Party
Earl Williams - Republic of New Africa
George Jones - Black Revolutionary Workers Union
Edgar Robinson - Black Panther Party
Vassie Clark - Black Panther Party
Edwin Taliaferro - Republic of New Africa
James Pita - Black Panther Party
Nadine Brown - Chronicle
Elijah Gout - Black Panther Party
Linda Chabot - Ad-Hoc Committee
Bonnie Biederman - Alliance

Also approximately 40 people from the Labor Defense Coalition circulating petitions to abolish Stress.

About 20 or 25 Wayne County Sheriff Department Officers in audience, names unknown.