PROPOSAL FOR AN OCIC DISCUSSION BULLETIN (DB)

1) Contents

The contents shall focus on the theoretical priorities decided on at the National Conference. This can be divided into the following five areas:

a) Party-building strategy: a plan to forge a single center, federationism, the contradiction with the NNWLC, etc.

b) Summation of ultra-leftism

c) The struggle against racism: Its centrality and, in particular, its manifestations in the communist movement and the struggle to build a single center.

d) Local centers

e) The "18 Point Study"

2) Circulation

The DB is intended primarily for the OC itself and those interested in the development of the OC. However, in accordance with our view of the extent of the anti-"left" tendency and the necessity of drawing broad forces into the ideological struggle to forge a single center, the DB will be sold publically.

3) Editorial policy

Contributions in each of these areas is welcome. The criteria for publication of a contribution is that it advance the ideological struggle to lay the foundations for establishing an ideological center. Contributions which divert the struggle away from the agenda agreed upon at the National Conference will not be accepted.

Since the DB will have a circulation which goes beyond the OC itself, authors should take care that articles are general enough to be understandable by comrades who do not have a knowledge of the internal workings of the OC and of internal OC documents. It should also be clear that appropriate security considerations are necessary.

4) Editorial Staff

CN - Party-building strategy
JF - Summation of ultra-leftism
LR - Struggle against racism
PF - Local centers
DF - 18 Point Study
JF - General editor

5) Schedule

a) The DB will appear approximately quarterly. Each DB will contain the deadline for submitting contributions to the next DB.

b) Contributions must be received by the appropriate editor by the deadline.

c) Two weeks after the deadline, each editor shall mail "their section" to JF.

d) The DB will be mailed out two weeks later.

e) The deadline for the first DB is May 1.

6) Production

a) The DB will be produced as cheaply as possible (newsprint) using copy directly as it is submitted.
- minimum margins 1 inch top and bottom, left and right
- single spaced only
- clean typewriter ribbon, carbon film if possible
- xerox copy acceptable only if it is excellent
- papers submitted will not be returned, make a copy

b) A production and distribution staff will be chosen from the Boston area.
c) Copies for all OC members will be mailed and billed upon publication.

7) Finances

The cost of production and distribution of each issue will be estimated and a price established for each issue to cover this cost.

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