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TO ALL BRANCH ORGANIZERS

Dear Comrades,

In the next two months VIEWPOINT: Speakers for Radical Change speakers bureau, is arranging and coordinating SWP national speaking tours on Vietnam as part of a propaganda campaign on Vietnam. Syd Stapleton, Wendy Reissner and Derrick Morrison will be touring the country speaking on the situation in Vietnam and the meaning of the accords. See the enclosed letter from VIEWPOINT for schedules and details. The title of the talks is: Vietnam and Nixon's World Strategy:

- \*Is the U.S. really out?
- \*What has been the role of Moscow and Peking?
- \*Is the struggle in Vietnam over?

Each speaker is scheduled to spend at least one week in an area to allow for a maximum number of speaking engagements both in the region and within the city. These tours should be utilized as widely as possible to make clear our position on the political nature of the cease-fire in Vietnam. The tour schedule provides enough time for every branch to hold a Friday night forum, to arrange panel discussions with local antiwar figures and where possible debates with those who term the accords a victory, especially PCPJers, the YWLL or Communist Party.

The aim of the tours is to schedule as many politically important engagements -- at key campuses, with opponents, etc. -- as possible. We want to bring our position on the meaning of the Vietnam accords to the thousands of youth across the country who have been involved in the antiwar movement over these past years. Media interviews can be scheduled for the speakers in the cities and on the campuses they visit. As a rule, of course we expect that honoraria will be offered for these speakers. Wherever possible, these should be obtained.

Regional centers should take the responsibility for arranging trips for speaking engagements on campuses in regional areas, especially where there are YSA members.

VIEWPOINT will be coordinating the arrangements for the tours. If there are any major problems with the tour dates, be sure to contact VIEWPOINT immediately.

Comradely,

  
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Dear Friends,

VIEWPOINT:Speakers for Radical Change is sponsoring a national speaking tour on the meaning of the Vietnam peace accords and their impact on world politics.

We are offering three well-qualified speakers whose credentials in the antiwar movement and their political background make them well able to discuss this topic. They are Syd Stapleton, Wendy Reissner and Derrick Morrison. The titles of their talks will be:

Vietnam and Nixon's World Strategy:

- \*Is the U.S. really out?
- \*What has been the role of Moscow and Peking?
- \*Is the struggle in Vietnam over?

In order to participate in these tours, there is a minimum fee that each region in the country will be required to obtain so that travel expenses can be covered. These fees should be easily payable through honoraria for the speakers.

The arrangement with local speakers bureaus is that all honoraria will be sent directly to VIEWPOINT. After the fee and any travel incurred within the region is covered, 20% of the remaining sum will be sent to the speakers bureau responsible for contracting the engagement.

Enclosed is the list of tour dates and fees. Also included is biographical information and a photograph of the speaker.

In solidarity,

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PROPOSED TOUR SCHEDULE FOR SYD STAPLETON

<u>DATES</u>	<u>REGION</u>	<u>FEE</u>
Feb. 26-March 3	Southern California ( <u>Los Angeles</u> )	\$100
March 4 - travel		
March 5-10	Southern California ( <u>San Diego</u> )	\$ 35
March 11 - travel		
March 12 - rest		
March 13-17	Northern California ( <u>San Francisco</u> and <u>Berkeley</u> )	\$150
March 18-19 - rest		
March 20-25	Northern California ( <u>San Francisco</u> and <u>Berkeley</u> )	
March 26 - travel		
March 27-31	Oregon ( <u>Portland</u> )	\$ 35
April 1 - travel		
April 2-7	Washington ( <u>Seattle</u> )	\$ 50
April 8 - rest		
April 9 - travel		
April 10-14	Rocky Mountain ( <u>Denver</u> )	\$ 35
April 15 - travel		
April 16-21	Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma ( <u>Houston</u> and <u>Austin</u> )	\$ 85
April 22 - rest		
April 23-25	Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma ( <u>Houston</u> and <u>Austin</u> )	
April 26 - travel		
April 27-May 4	Southeast ( <u>Atlanta</u> )	\$ 35

PROPOSED TOUR SCHEDULE FOR DERRICK MORRISON

<u>DATES</u>	<u>REGION</u>	<u>FEE</u>
Feb. 26-March 3	New England ( <u>Boston</u> )	\$ 75
March 4 - travel		
March 5-17	New York, New Jersey, Connecticut ( <u>New York City</u> )	\$150

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PROPOSED TOUR SCHEDULE FOR WENDY REISSNER

<u>DATES</u>	<u>REGION</u>	<u>FEE</u>
Feb. 26-March 3	Pennsylvania ( <u>Philadelphia</u> )	\$ 35
March 4 - travel		
March 5-10	Mid-Atlantic ( <u>Washington, D.C.</u> )	\$ 35
March 11 - travel		
March 12-17	Ohio/Kentucky ( <u>Cleveland</u> )	\$ 50
March 18 - travel		
March 19-24	Michigan ( <u>Detroit</u> )	\$ 50
March 25 - travel		
March 26-31	Midwest ( <u>Chicago</u> )	\$ 75
April 1 - travel		
April 2-7	Upper Midwest ( <u>Minneapolis</u> )	\$ 65

### SYD STAPLETON

Syd Stapleton, 27, was one of the central organizers of the Inauguration Day march of 100,000 held in Washington, D.C. on January 20 of this year. He has been a leading figure in the antiwar movement for many years, serving as national staff coordinator of the National Peace Action Coalition for the huge April 24, 1971 March on Washington, and as a national staff member of the Student Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam (SMC), 1967-69.

At the University of California, Berkeley he was a founding member and leader of the Vietnam Day Committee, 1965 and the Free Speech Movement, 1964. He was the socialist candidate for mayor of Cleveland in 1969 running against Carl Stokes whom he debated publicly at the Cleveland City Club. Served as treasurer of the 1972 Socialist Workers Campaign Committee. Author of the pamphlet, "Making Richard Nixon perfectly clear..." (a documented record of Nixon's political history and record in office).

### WENDY REISSNER

Wendy Reissner, 28, is a member of the National Coordinating Committee and Steering Committee of the National Peace Action Coalition. She was centrally involved in helping to organize the national antiwar demonstration of 100,000 on Inauguration Day of this year. She also played a major role in the April 22, 1972 march against the war which brought out 100,000 people in the streets of New York to protest Nixon's bombing attacks of Hanoi and Haiphong.

A graduate of City College of New York, she was a founder of an antiwar committee on that campus in 1965. Prior to that she was a member of the Student Peace Union.

In the fall of 1972 Reissner traveled to Europe where she discussed coordination of international antiwar actions with leaders of the antiwar movements in Germany, Sweden, France, Britain, Belgium and other countries.

She is presently the national antiwar director for the Socialist Workers Party.

## DERRICK MORRISON

Derrick Morrison, born in Detroit 26 years ago, is a Black Marxist journalist. As a staff writer for The Militant newspaper he has covered such events as the Attica prison rebellion and the National Black Political Convention in Gary, Indiana, as well as numerous antiwar demonstrations.

He was one of the founders of the Detroit Committee to End the War in 1965 and a year later organized Afro-Americans to End the War in Vietnam. In 1968 he helped initiate the National Black Antiwar Antidraft Union. He has been a speaker at several Detroit antiwar rallies and a participant in every national antiwar action including the January 20 Inauguration Day march.

Morrison visited Cuba in 1969 as part of a Young Socialist delegation. In 1972 he toured the country with the Socialist Workers Party vice-presidential candidate, Andrew Pulley, in capacity of campaign secretary.

Coauthor of The Black Uprisings; Attica: Why Prisoners Are Rebellng; and Black Liberation and Political Power. Contributor to the anthology Towards An American Socialist Revolution of which PUBLISHERS WEEKLY wrote: "The authors of this book are Marxists -- revolutionary socialists...their statements are lucid and forthright."