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LEADS

DALLAS

At Dallas, Texas

Will follow and report further efforts of the CP to dominate and control instant organization.

REFERENCE:

Report of SA [REDACTED] Dallas, 2/1/56.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE DALLAS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN DALLAS	DATE 2/27/57	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 2/8, 25/57
TITLE OF CASE THE AMERICAN G. I. FORUM OF TEXAS, INC., aka, GI Forum, American G. I. Forum (Dallas, Texas Chapter)		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7c	TYPED BY EPG
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C	AGENCY State
			REQ. REC'D 2-5-57
			REP'T FORW. 2-10-57
			BY [Signature]

BY: A.P.SIS:

Instant organization at Dallas, Texas, is no longer controlled and dominated by CP members. Confidential Informants, who have furnished reliable information in the past, have advised that they have no information that CP members have been attending meetings of the GI Forum in Dallas recently

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DETAILS: At Dallas, Texas

An article entitled, "JUAN LAING Elected GI Forum Chairman," which appeared in the September 7, 1956, issue of the "Dallas Morning News," a daily newspaper, reflects that JUAN LAING, 313 East 9th Street, Dallas, was elected Chairman of the Dallas Chapter of the GI Forum, a veterans' organization, at a meeting on the previous Wednesday evening, in the social room of the Little Mexico Village Housing Project. It further stated that other officers elected were as follows:

Vice Chairman -- **JOE MOLINA**
Recording Secretary -- **MANUEL ALMAGUER**

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DATE **3-29-78**

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Corresponding Secretary -- RAUL LAING
Treasurer -- ALFRED BENAVIDEZ
Reporter -- EDMUND VILLASANA

*officers of
subject
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The article further stated that the GI Forum's State Convention in Texas would be held in Dallas in July 1957.

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The CP, USA has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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has received no additional information that would indicate CP members are now active in the affairs of the GI Forum in Dallas.

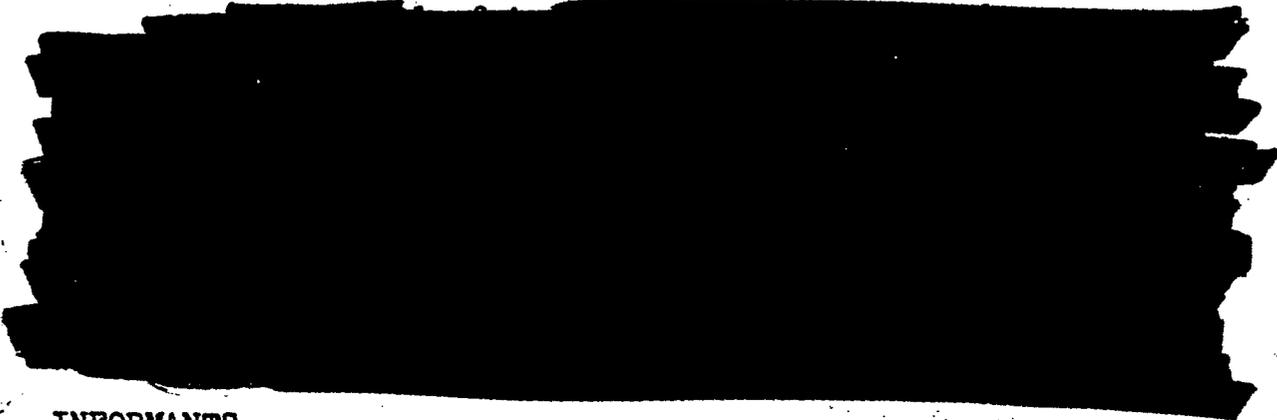
Inasmuch as the Dallas Chapter of instant organization is no longer under the control and domination of the CP, no further investigation is contemplated, and this case is considered closed.

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Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in this report, and T symbols were utilized only in those instances where necessary.

REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED], Dallas, 8/17/56. ^{b7C}

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Director, FBI (62-96541)-5 |

THE AMERICAN G. I. FORUM
OF TEXAS, INCORPORATED
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Re: Rep SA [redacted] dated 2-27-57
at Dallas. You should classify this report "Confidential"
on the basis of information contained therein. *bx*

You are also instructed to submit a revised
thumbnail sketch in this matter, setting forth a
comment on the up-to-date status of captioned
organization.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 3/28/57

FROM : SAC, Dallas

SUBJECT: THE AMERICAN GI. FORUM OF TEXAS, INC.
THUMBNAIL SKETCH
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re Dallas letter to Bureau 7/22/55.

The case entitled, "The American GI. Forum of Texas, Inc., aka, (Dallas, Texas Chapter) IS-C," Dallas Origin, Bufile 62-96541, was closed by report of SA [redacted], Dallas, 2/27/57. b7c

There are enclosed herewith five copies of an up-to-date thumbnail sketch concerning the Dallas Chapter of The American GI. Forum of Texas, Inc.

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Careful consideration has been given each source concealed in this thumbnail sketch, and these sources were concealed only because of necessity.

- 4 - Bureau (Encls. 5)(RM)
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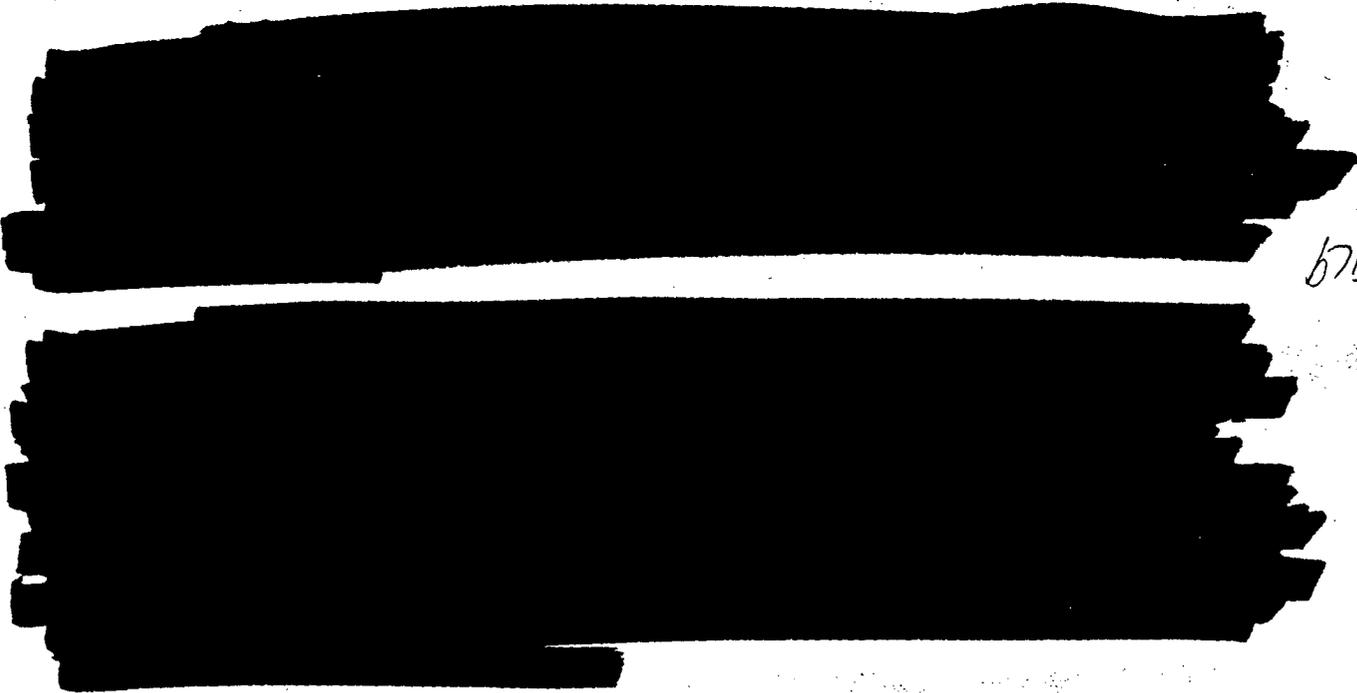
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THE AMERICAN G. I. FORUM OF TEXAS, INC.,
also known as GI Forum, American G. I.
Forum (Dallas, Texas Chapter)

The Dallas Chapter of The American G. I. Forum of Texas, Inc., was organized at Dallas, Texas, on September 29, 1954. This group is composed principally of Mexican-American veterans who allegedly have banded together to stamp out discrimination against Mexican-Americans and to seek justice and equality for everyone. This organization is said to be non-political.

The American G. I. Forum of Texas, Inc., publishes a "News Bulletin" which discloses its headquarters to be at Austin, Texas and enumerates local chapters of the organization in various towns in Texas, as well as chapters in New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona, Utah and Kansas.



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THE AMERICAN G.I. FORUM OF TEXAS, INC.
DALLAS, TEXAS, CHAPTER
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Reurlet 3-21-57 setting forth a suggested thumbnail sketch concerning captioned organization.

In the interest of brevity, the Bureau desires that you advise by return letter if [redacted] can furnish the information contained in paragraph 1 of your suggested thumbnail sketch. The Bureau believes that paragraph 1 and paragraph 3 can be combined into one shorter paragraph if the above-mentioned informant has furnished the information contained therein. You should eliminate paragraph 2 of your suggested thumbnail sketch as it is not pertinent.

Resubmit your thumbnail sketch on this organization in accordance with instructions set forth in Section I, SAC Letter 57-3.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 4/30/57

FROM: SAC, Dallas

SUBJECT: THE AMERICAN G. I. FORUM OF TEXAS, INC.,
aka GI Forum, American G. I. Forum
(Dallas, Texas Chapter)
THUMBNAIL SKETCH
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Rebulet to Dallas 4/1/57.
Re Dallas letter to Bureau 3/21/57.

There are enclosed herewith five copies of an up-to-date thumbnail sketch concerning the Dallas Chapter of The American G. I. Forum of Texas, Inc. This sketch was prepared in accord with the suggestions outlined in rebulet.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, was recontacted on [redacted] by SA [redacted], written, and that informant furnished the information which, together with information furnished by him on [redacted] to SA [redacted] is set forth in paragraph 1 of the enclosed thumbnail sketch.

The information contained in paragraph 2 of the enclosed thumbnail sketch is that furnished by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Careful consideration has been given each source concealed in this thumbnail sketch, and these sources were concealed only because of necessity.

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THE AMERICAN G. I. FORUM OF TEXAS, INC.,
also known as GI Forum, American G. I.
Forum (Dallas, Texas Chapter)

A Confidential Informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on [REDACTED] advised

Another Confidential Informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on [REDACTED] reported that the

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OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

April 16, 1959

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RESIDENCE:
ULYSES 2-2761



OFFICE:
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Honorable William Rogers
Attorney General of the United States
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Attorney General Rogers:

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HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8/30/85 BY SPUBJA/IMK

The American GI Forum of the United States a National Organization made up of American Veterans of Mexican origin wishes to congratulate and commend your Department and especially the FBI for its constant fight and action against subversive groups, elements, and communistic front organizations. This American patriotic organization that I found and that I represent wishes again to pledge to you and your Department all cooperation and help in your constant vigilance and struggle against hated communistic forces.

We are greatly concerned and worried about the activities of such organizations amongst our people especially in California. We ourselves are worried about possible infiltration amongst our membership.

I would like to request your department to mail me immediately the most recent list of subversive groups and organizations in order that I may pass them down to each and everyone of our state and local groups. Naturally, any other suggestions or recommendations that you could make to us will be greatly appreciated by myself and the rest of the organization. Last year we invited the Honorable J. Edgar Hoover to be one of our speakers at our National Convention here in Corpus Christi. This year, I would like to invite you to be one of our speakers in our National Convention to be held in Los Angeles, California on August 13th, 14th, and 15th. I believe that this would be a great opportunity for all of our people, the California people, to officially hear from some one like you about the perils and dangers of Communism. As far as I can recall the American people of Mexican origin have never been honored with a speaker from your Department and I am respectfully requesting to please attend. Your presence in our National Convention would be inspiring to our people and at the same time would offer us an opportunity to let everyone know that the American GI Forum stands side by side and shoulder to shoulder with the United States Department of Justice in its fight against subversive and communism. Please receive our congratulations and admiration and respect, convey them to your Department and your many branches. Congratulations on a job well done, keep it up.

ack. 4-28-59 EX-113

Respectfully yours,
[Signature]

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April 27, 1959

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EX-113

Dr. Hector P. Garcia
National Chairman
American G. I. Forum
of the U. S.
3024 Morgan Avenue
Corpus Christi, Texas

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DATE 8/30/85 BY SP6bjj/lmw

Dear Dr. Garcia:

Your letter to the Attorney General of April 16,
a copy of which was sent to this Bureau, has been read with
interest.

The kind comments concerning the FBI are
certainly appreciated and my associates and I will continue
to do everything in our power to merit the confidence shown in
your letter.

Your activity in combating the evil forces of
communism is one which should be commended to all patriotic
Americans. An alert and educated citizenry is the true bulwark
against this Godless menace.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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- 1 - Los Angeles - Enclosure
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ATTENTION SAC: Presumably, the AG will decline to speak before
this group at Los Angeles because of other commitments. The Bureau
is weighing the possibility of sending a speaker in view of the special
value presented by patriotic society of Mexican-American origin. Bufiles
reflect Dr. Garcia has regularly spoken (SAC note continued next page)

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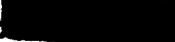
Dr. Hector P. Garcia

ATTENTION SAC: (Continued)

very highly of the Director and the Bureau and has previously made a very complimentary request that the Director address the National Conference of his group to discuss the battle against communism. Several instances are also noted in Bufiles where Garcia and other officials of his group have taken positive steps to prevent communist infiltration. Bufiles further reflect that certain local chapters of this group have previously been the object of attempts to infiltrate by CP officials.



Follow-up made for 5-7-59.

NOTE:  is confirming from the AG's office if he will decline this speech invitation. This organization may (We will first collect full facts.) present an excellent opportunity to present a speech tailored to fit this minority group. In his incoming letter, Garcia says, "As far as I can recall the American People of Mexican origin have never been honored with a speaker from your Department..." If facts so indicate, this matter will be developed fully in a later memorandum. This group appears to have an extensive membership in the far west and southwest. (62-96541)

Director, FBI

5/29/57

SAC, Dallas

THUMBNAIL SKETCHES OF
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Rebulet to Albany dated 4/8/57.

The annual thumbnail sketch program for the Dallas Division is as follows:

I. ORGANIZATIONS DEFUNCT AND CONCERNING WHICH UP-TO-DATE SKETCHES WERE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO THE 1956 ANNUAL LETTER

None.

II. ORGANIZATIONS DEFUNCT AND CONCERNING WHICH UP-TO-DATE SKETCHES HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED SUBSEQUENT TO THE 1956 ANNUAL LETTER

American G. I. Forum of Texas, Inc., aka, GI Forum, American G. I. Forum (Dallas, Texas Chapter)

See Dallas letter to Bureau dated 4/30/57.

III. ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNING WHICH UP-TO-DATE SKETCHES ARE BEING SUBMITTED BY INSTANT LETTER

None.

IV. NEWLY FORMED ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNING WHICH INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION EXISTS AT THE PRESENT TIME TO PREPARE A THUMBNAIL SKETCH

None.

It is noted that a thumbnail sketch concerning the Dallas Branch of the American G. I. Forum of Texas, Inc., was submitted to the Bureau by letter dated 4/30/57 which was subsequently approved by the Bureau. This thumbnail sketch indicated this organization is infiltrated by a few CP members who attend occasional meetings. It is noted in the report of SA [redacted] Dallas, dated 2/27/57 entitled as set out under II above, that the GI Forum is no longer controlled and dominated by CP members. This organization is currently in operation as a social organization.

Inasmuch as an up-to-date sketch was submitted on 4/30/57 and approved by the Bureau, a copy of this sketch is not being enclosed, UACB.

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: May 20, 1959

FROM :

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SUBJECT: DR. HECTOR P. GARCIA
NATIONAL CHAIRMAN
AMERICAN G. I. FORUM OF THE UNITED STATES
3024 MORGAN AVENUE
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

to all American G.I. Forum of the U.S.

Dr. Garcia has written numerous helpful and commendatory letters to the Bureau beginning in 1956 as National Chairman of the above group. In 1956 he made a very flattering request to the Director to speak before the National Convention of this group. The Director was unable to speak due to his heavy schedule. Dr. Garcia has written the Bureau on several occasions about his and other officer's efforts to keep communist influence out of this group. In a letter April 16, 1959, Garcia asked the Attorney General to speak at the National Convention to be held at Los Angeles, August 13, 14, and 15, 1959. The Attorney General declined this invitation.

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RECOMMENDATION: A letter to SAC, Houston, is attached. It directs that it be discreetly ascertained from Garcia if he desires an FBI representative to speak at the Annual Convention. No assurance of a speaker is to be given. If you agree it will be sent.

Enclosure sent

5-21-59

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GI Forum Urges Another Survey on Lunch Programs

The American GI Forum of Texas, an independent veterans organization, has urged another survey before federal lunch programs are finally rejected in Houston.

In a letter to the Community Council's School Lunch Committee, which Thursday voted 4-2 against a recommendation that the Houston schools be asked to participate in the three federal programs, Nickolas S. Barrera deplored the action.

BARRERA, secretary-treasurer of the organization, especially took exception with School Board Member Mrs. Frank Dyer's statement that the "Latin American would much prefer pinto beans and tortillas to a plate lunch. You just can't get those children to eat spinach or cooked carrots."

Said Barrera, "A hungry child, regardless of race or nationality, will not push aside the plate in front of him because he prefers something of different taste."

Barrera said Mrs. Dyer's statements and the committee's vote set back efforts of citizens with Spanish surnames to get more education for their children.

HE WAS CRITICAL also of a suggestion by the committee that cheaper soup-and-sandwich meals be substituted for higher-cost lunches.

In calling for a new survey of the need for free lunches, Barrera said the committee should bear in mind that it is not a dozen children but 7,051 that are involved. The committee's survey revealed

there were that many needy children going without free lunches.

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RE: DOCTOR HECTOR GARCIA -
FOUNDER OF THE GI FORUM
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Houston, Texas

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: 5-26-59

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: CRIME RESEARCH SECTION

FROM : SAC, HOUSTON (62-1448)

SUBJECT: DR. HECTOR P. GARCIA
~~NATIONAL CHAIRMAN~~
AMERICAN G.I. FORUM OF THE UNITED STATES
3024 MORGAN AVENUE
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

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RE: Bureau letter, 5-21-59 DATE 8/30/85 BY SP6DJA/m

On May 25, 1959, Dr. HECTOR P. GARCIA was inter-
viewed in his offices at 3024 Morgan Avenue, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7c
During the course of this interview, Dr. GARCIA
mentioned he had recently received a letter from the Bureau
in response to his invitational letter to Attorney General
ROGERS. He also commented that the Attorney General is
unable to accept his invitation to address the National Con-
vention of the G.I. Forum. Along the same line of conversation,
he stated he was having difficulty in obtaining recognized
and well known speakers for the Convention. He said the only
speaker he is certain he has committed to date is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] of the Bishop's Committee of the state of
California. He said he does not know [REDACTED] and
he did not arrange for his talk. He offered no background
information about [REDACTED], but talked as if he knew
nothing about him. Calif. b7c

He also commented that he had addressed letters to
Senator LYNDON JOHNSON and Judge HAROLD MEDINA in an attempt
to obtain them as speakers but had been unsuccessful.

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It was mentioned to him that he might care to address a letter to the Director requesting that he or one of his representatives address the Convention. He was told that no assurance could be given him relative to acceptance of the invitation but that it would be given every consideration in keeping with prior commitments and pressure of work. He appeared most appreciative for the suggestion and commented that if some California representative of the FBI could be designated as a speaker, this would be excellent. He said that he intended on corresponding with the Director in an attempt to obtain the services of some representative of the Bureau.

He said the dates of the Convention would be from August 13 through 15, 1959, with headquarters at the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles. He remarked that he anticipated 500 people from many states in the Union would be present for the Convention.

During the conversation, he again was most commendatory of the work of the FBI.

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Veterans Family Organization

3024 MORGAN AVENUE

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEX.

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

May 29, 1959

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
United States Department of Justice
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Dear Honorable Hoover:

I wish to sincerely thank you for your well expressed letter of congratulations to our organization on April 27, 1959. Certainly letters like yours are very encouraging to ourselves and the organization.

The list of subversive organizations sent to me by your department will be placed in the hands of all our National, State, and local officers.

Last year we had the honor of inviting you to be our Speaker at the National Convention, but unfortunately you were not able to attend. This year our National Convention will be held in Los Angeles, California, on August 13, 14, 15, and 16, 1959 at the Biltmore Hotel. We would like to respectfully invite you to be one of our Speakers in this occasion. We would feel greatly honored and privileged in having a man of your Americanism and of your stature to address our National Convention.

We will have representation and delegates from over 21 States.

We, as a majority group, would like to feel that not only have we contributed a great number of Congressional Medal winners in the United States, but we wish it could be possible to say that we do not have any communists amongst the American people of Mexican origin. However, I do notice that there are several subversive organizations that might effect our people and I also notice that recently there has been some activity in California and specifically around Los Angeles. We feel that your presence at our Convention would be very encouraging for our people in our fight against Communism, more so since the Convention will be in California a "hot bed" of Communistic influences.

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover

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Please do everything possible to attend and we certainly would be willing to help you with your transportation and hotel expenses. In case you are not able to attend, we would still appreciate it very much if you would assign someone from your staff who would give us a good pep talk and a good report. In case that will be impossible, we still would like to at least have someone from your Los Angeles or California offices. We respectfully request you to give this all your consideration as soon as possible and we know that you are very busy in your work. We still believe that your presence at our Convention would be a highlight at our Convention. Respectfully submitted..

Your friend and admirer as ever,

Hector P. Garcia
HECTOR P. GARCIA, M.D.
National Chairman and Founder
of the American GI Forum of the U.S.

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cc: Local GI Forum officers

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June 5, 1959

Dr. Hector P. Garcia
National Chairman
American G. I. Forum
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3024 Morgan Avenue
Corpus Christi, Texas

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Dear Dr. Garcia:

It was thoughtful of you to write on May 29, 1959, extending me an invitation to address the members of your organization at the National Convention in Los Angeles, California, during the period August 13-14, 1959.

Although it would be a pleasure to be with you at this time, I must decline as the tremendous volume of work confronting the FBI makes my schedule most uncertain. All too frequently when I have tentatively accepted a speaking engagement of this nature, I have been forced to cancel it at the last minute because of some pressing responsibility requiring my personal attention in Washington. The present commitments and work load of my associates at FBI Headquarters preclude my designating a speaker from Washington. However, I am requesting Mr. William M. Alexander, Assistant Special Agent in Charge of our Los Angeles Office, to speak to the members of your organization during your convention in August. You should feel free to communicate directly with him at 1345 West Sixth Street, Los Angeles 17, California, concerning any necessary final arrangements.

You have my best wishes for a very successful program on this occasion.

Sincerely yours,

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ATTENTION ASAC: You are requested to personally fulfill this speaking engagement if the work load of the office permits.

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NOTE: Dr. Garcia is Chairman of the American G. I. Forum of the U. S. with residence in Corpus Christi, Texas. By letter dated 5-5-59 the Houston Office determined that Garcia is a rather prosperous physician of Mexican origin and is very active in organizations which are devoted to the improvement of working and living conditions among the under privileged people of Mexican descent. He is considered to be of good moral character, enjoys an excellent reputation and is felt to be a loyal American citizen.

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DEAR [REDACTED]

I CERTAINLY WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF APRIL 1. CERTAINLY I AGREE WITH YOU THAT OUR ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO KEEP COMMUNISTIC INFLUENCES, COMMUNIST INFILTRATION MEMBERS FROM ANY OF OUR ORGANIZATIONS. I BELIEVE THAT WE OWE IT TO OUR COUNTRY TO KEEP OUR ORGANIZATIONS COMPLETELY FREE OF ANY TAIN FROM SUCH INDIVIDUALS EITHER BY ASSOCIATION, BY CONTACT, OR EVEN BY THOUGHT.

THE AMERICAN GI FORUM IS PERHAPS THE GREATEST ORGANIZATION AND THE MOST PATRIOTIC ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN PEOPLE OF MEXICAN ORIGIN IN THE UNITED STATES. WE ARE NOW WORKING IN 21 STATES. IN WASHINGTON ITSELF, WE HAVE A GROUP OF OVER 30 MEMBERS. EVERY YEAR WE SEND A COPY OF THE SUBVERSIVE LISTS FURNISHED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE OF WASHINGTON TO EACH AND EVERYONE OF OUR MEMBERS. WE WARN THEM ABOUT SUCH CONDITIONS, ABOUT SUCH ORGANIZATIONS AS INDIVIDUALS. WE ASK THEM TO REPORT ANY SUSPECT TO THE LOCAL F. B. I. WE HAVE RECEIVED LETTERS OF COMPLIMENTS AND THANKS FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HIMSELF ON VARIOUS OCCASIONS FOR OUR WORK.

I BELIEVE THE MAIN REASON WHY THERE ARE SO FEW AMERICAN PEOPLE OF MEXICAN ORIGIN WHO ARE COMMUNISTS IS BECAUSE THE AMERICAN GI FORUM HAS SHOWN THEM THE WAY AS TO HOW TO BE GOOD CITIZENS, LAW ABIDING CITIZENS, AND GREAT PATRIOTS. WE HAVE SEVERAL CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR WINNERS IN OUR ORGANIZATION. IN FACT, SOME OF THEM ARE EVEN PRESIDENTS OF OUR LOCAL GROUPS. THEREFORE, I AM SENDING A COPY OF THIS LETTER TO OUR STATE CHAIRMAN, MR. FRANK X. PAZ, IN ORDER THAT HE CAN COMMUNICATE WITH YOU. SEE IF THERE IS ANYTHING THAT YOU AND HIM CAN DO ON A STATE BASIS. ON A STATE BASIS, WE'LL LEAVE ALL OF THIS WORK TO THE STATE CHAIRMAN AND I FEEL CONFIDENT AND CERTAIN THAT MR. FRANK PAZ WILL BE ABLE TO HANDLE ANY MATTER THAT ARISES CONCERNING ANY SUBVERSIVE ELEMENTS IN THAT AREA AND IN THAT STATE.

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THE ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE FOR THE PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN IS LISTED IN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S LIST OF SUBVERSIVE GROUPS AND CERTAINLY I BELIEVE THAT ANY ACTION BY THAT GROUP SHOULD BE DENOUNCED BY OUR OWN LOCAL AND STATE GROUPS. CERTAINLY, IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE IF YOU AND MR. PAZ COULD GET TOGETHER AND ISSUE A LETTER TO THE NEWSPAPER AND SEND COPIES TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE AND LOCAL F.B.I. DENOUNCING ANY SUCH ACTIONS BY SUCH GROUPS BECAUSE WE FEEL CONFIDENT THAT GROUPS LIKE THE AMERICAN GI FORUM AND THE BELDEVERE RECREATION ASSOCIATION CAN EFFECTIVELY REPRESENT THE PROBLEMS OF OUR PEOPLE IN A DEMOCRATIC AND AMERICAN WAY. EVEN BEFORE ANYBODY GOES RUNNING TO THE UNITED NATIONS, I BELIEVE THAT WE CAN FIND JUSTICE THROUGH OUR LOCAL AND STATE NATIONAL GROUPS. I FOR MYSELF WILL SAY THAT UNTIMELY WE HAVE ALWAYS FOUND AMERICAN JUSTICE IN THE NATIONAL OFFICERS. THEREFORE, AGAIN RECEIVE MY CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS FOR YOUR VERY NICE LETTER. I AM SENDING COPIES OF THIS LETTER TO OUT STATE OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN GI FORUM OF CALIFORNIA AND OUR NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, MR. VICENTE XIMENEZ.

I HOPE THAT IN MY VISIT TO LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, I WILL HAVE THE HONOR AND PLEASURE OF VISITING YOU AND SOME OTHER MEMBERS OF YOUR FINE ORGANIZATION.

YOUR FRIEND AS EVER,

HECTOR P. GARCIA, M.D.

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FRANK PAZ
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SAC, Houston

May 21, 1959

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DR. HECTOR P. GARCIA
NATIONAL CHAIRMAN
AMERICAN G. I. FORUM OF THE UNITED STATES
3024 MORGAN AVENUE
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

Reurlet 5-5-59.

The Attorney General has declined Garcia's invitation to speak at the Annual Convention August 13-15, 1959, in Los Angeles.

In view of the favorable comments contained in the letter, it appears that consideration for a Bureau speaker before this group should be further pursued. Dr. Garcia should be contacted under initial pretext by an experienced Agent. During this interview information should be secured concerning the place of the convention of this group, the number of persons expected to attend and the other speakers. Determine if Garcia desires an FBI speaker. Give no firm assurance that one will be made available. The Dallas Texas Chapter of this Group was Communist Party infiltrated in 1954 and 1955. The Dallas Office advised that it has no communist infiltration now.

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *asker*

DATE: July 17, 1959

FROM :

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cc-Mr. Belmont
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On the afternoon of 7/17/59, Leon Ulman, Departmental attorney, called and stated that the Attorney General had received a letter from the captioned organization. He wanted to know whether we had any information in our files concerning this organization.

A search of our files failed to develop any information regarding the American GI Forum of the U.S. However, we did conduct an investigation, which was closed in 1957, of an organization known as "The American GI Forum of Texas, Incorporated," Our investigation was for the purpose of determining the extent of communist infiltration into this group.

I called Mr. Ulman on the afternoon of 7/17 and told him our files did not reflect any information concerning the organization he had mentioned. I told him, however, that we had conducted an investigation of alleged communist infiltration into "The American GI Forum of Texas, Incorporated," which was formed in Dallas, Texas, on 9/29/54. I told Mr. Ulman we had furnished reports on that organization to the Records Administration Branch dated 5/20/55, 12/16/55, 2/1/56, 8/17/56, and 2/27/57. I told him that on the basis of the information he had furnished, we were not able to state that "The American GI Forum of Texas, Incorporated" was connected in any way with the American GI Forum of the U.S. I suggested to him that he might wish to look at the reports we had sent to the Department and make his own determination as to whether there was any connection between the two organizations.

Mr. Ulman thanked me for the prompt service.

ACTION:

Inasmuch as we were not able to identify the American GI Forum of the U.S., it is suggested that no confirming letter be sent to the Department in regard to this matter.

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FBI, Los Angeles

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Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
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Mr. Holloman	✓
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Via AIR TEL AIR MAIL (Priority or Method of Mailing)

To: Director, FBI
 From: SAC, Los Angeles (80-1)
 Re: SPEECH MATTERS

Re Bulet to Dr. HECTOR P. GARCIA, National Chairman, American G. I. Forum of the U. S., 3024 Morgan Avenue, Corpus Christi, Texas, and mylet of recent date indicating that ASAC ALEXANDER would appear before the National Convention of this group in Los Angeles on August 15, 1959.

Dr. GARCIA in his introductory remarks prior to ASAC ALEXANDER's speech expressed his admiration and respect for the Director and stated that he considered the Director to be one of the outstanding Americans and paid a very glowing tribute to his leadership and to the organization which he has built. Dr. GARCIA also paid tribute to the Director for his staunch stand against the Communist conspiracy and his publications regarding same. He also took note of the Director's warnings which have been issued concerning juvenile delinquency and the over-all crime problem.

In view of the above, it is suggested that the Bureau direct a letter to Dr. GARCIA thanking him for his expression of confidence in the Director and the FBI.

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Dr. Hector P. Garcia
National Chairman
American G. L. Forum
of the U. S.
3024 Morgan Avenue
Corpus Christi, Texas

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Dear Dr. Garcia:

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the commendatory statements you made concerning this Bureau and my direction of its activities before the members in attendance at your National Convention on August 15, 1959. Mr. William M. Alexander, Assistant Special Agent in Charge of our Los Angeles Office, who represented me on that occasion, was most enthusiastic regarding the tributes you paid us in your introductory remarks. It is indeed heartening to have your support, and we are deeply grateful.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/11/59

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (80-1-16534)

SUBJECT: SPEECH
AMERICAN GI FORUM OF THE UNITED STATES
AUGUST 15, 1959
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

The American G. I. Forum of Texas

ReBulet to Dr. HECTOR P. GARCIA, National Chairman, American G. I. Forum of the United States, 3024 Morgan Avenue, Corpus Christi, Texas, dated June 5, 1959, a copy of which was forwarded to the ASAC, Los Angeles.

ASAC WILLIAM M. ALEXANDER will appear before this group on August 15, 1959, at the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles.

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Mr. W.M. ALEXANDER
ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
UNITED STATES DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
1340 WEST SIXTH STREET
LOS ANGELES 17, CALIFORNIA

DEAR MR. ALEXANDER:

American GI Forum of the United States

IN BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN GI FORUM NATIONAL CONVENTION
WE WISH TO THANK YOU FOR THE VERY INSPIRING AND INSTRUCTIVE
TALK CONCERNING THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WORK
AND THE RESPONSIBILITY IN THE INTERNAL SECURITY AND CRIMINAL
FIELDS.

I HEARD A LOT OF VERY NICE COMPLIMENTS AFTER YOU LEFT
ABOUT THE VERY FINE DELIVERY OF YOUR TALK AND THE VERY CLEAR
SUBJECT MATTER DELIVERED TO US. WE FEEL HONORED AND PLEASED
IN HAVING A FRIEND LIKE YOU, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GREAT
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, BEING AS OUR GUEST SPEAKER.

IF AT ANY TIME, WE THE AMERICAN GI FORUM, CAN BE OF
ANY SERVICE TO YOU, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US. WE
CERTAINLY ARE RIGHT BEHIND YOU IN FIGHTING ALL OF THOSE
MENACES TO OUR COUNTRY IN PEACE AND AT WAR TIME.

RECEIVE MY SINCERE THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS AND I
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18 SEP 15 1959
HECTOR P. GARCIA, M.P.

cc: [redacted] LOCAL FBI OFFICER
MR. J. EDGAR HOOVER, WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Dr. Hector P. Garcia
National Chairman
American G. I. Forum
of the U. S.
3024 Morgan Avenue
Corpus Christi, Texas

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Dear Dr. Garcia:

I have received a copy of your letter dated September 3, 1959, to Mr. William M. Alexander, Assistant Special Agent in Charge of our Los Angeles Office, concerning his recent talk before your convention.

It was most thoughtful of you to write, and I am glad to know that you enjoyed his address. You may be sure that we are both grateful for your very kind and generous comments.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: ASAC William M. Alexander, [redacted], assigned Los Angeles in [redacted] spoke before the National Convention of the American G. I. Forum in Los Angeles on August 15, 1959. Address per prior correspondence.

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Veterans Family Organization

3024 MORGAN AVENUE

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

RESIDENCE:
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November 27, 1960
 2218 Roslyn St.,
 Corpus Christi, Texas

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- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Parsons
- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Callahan
- Mr. DeLoach
- Mr. Malone
- Mr. McGuire
- Mr. Rosen
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Dear Sir:

We are a Veterans and families organization of predominantly Americans of Mexican Descent. Our official name is the G.I. Forum. We are well represented in Twenty-Three (23) States of our great Country and we believe in good Citizenship principles and practice it to the best of our abilities.

We feel we in this Country are at the crossroads of a Major decision. We feel it is time and our duty to organize and unite to fight a common enemy. This enemy needs no introduction It is COMMUNISM.

Communism as we recognize it, represents the lowest form and degraded type of Government of humans that has ever existed. Within our limited facilities of proper information, the fallacy of our communities that "it can't happen here", henceforth the great disinterest of learning the basic fundamentals of a neurotic enemy, we the members of the G.I. Forum are challenged to the call of orientating unlimited amounts of citizens.

In order to properly expedite this program, and to properly indoctrinate our American Citizens of Mexican descent, we humbly but emphatically ask your help by contributing us with all possible simple explained literature that you feel might help us. It is a matter of great importance and we feel that your great organization, of which we have the utmost of respect, will heed our call of help.

May God give you the needed and proper foresight for a great success in your endeavor

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Sincerely Yours,
 Guadalupe Valdez Jr.
 District 3 Chairman
 G.I. Forum of Texas

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Mr. Guadalupe Valdez, Jr.
2218 Roslyn Street
Corpus Christi, Texas

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Dear Mr. Valdez:

I have received your letter of November 27, 1960, and the interest which prompted you to write is indeed appreciated.

I have always believed that the struggle to preserve our society against the inroads of communism can best be achieved if we constantly alert and inform our people concerning the nature of this menace. The efforts of you and your organization in pursuing a program of this type are most reassuring.

In response to your request, I am enclosing some material which may be of assistance to you. These publications are available in quantity, and if you will advise us of your requirements, we will be pleased to furnish additional copies.

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 Communist Illusion & Democratic Reality
 Director's address 10-18-60 before American Legion National Convention
 Director's address 10-3-60 before IACP Annual Conference
 March, 1960, LEB Introduction & 17th National Convention of CP, USA
 Communist Target - Youth
 Expose of Soviet Espionage
 La Respuesta de una Nacion al Comunismo
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Letter to Mr. Guadalupe Valdez, Jr.

NOTE: It is noted that correspondent's letter was written on the letterhead of the "American G I Forum of the U. S., 3024 Morgan Avenue, Corpus Christi, Texas." Correspondent indicated that he was Chairman, District 3, G I Forum of Texas. Bufiles contain no information regarding correspondent. Bufiles likewise contain no derogatory information regarding his organization. In August, 1959, a Bureau speaker was provided for this group. The organization is made up mostly of Americans of Mexican descent. We have enjoyed cordial relations with its chairman, **Mr. Hector P. Garcia.**

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-106)

FROM : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (100-9260)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION
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DATE: 2/28/61

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Re SU letter dated 8/29/60.

A review has been made of information available to the Salt Lake City Office and informants have been contacted in order to identify mass organizations which are targets of the Communist Party in this area.

I. DATA CONCERNING COMMUNIST PARTY PROGRAM

No specific information has been received from informants during the past six months which names specific targets of the Communist Party. It is, of course, known that on a nation-wide basis the National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People (NAACP) is a specific target for the infiltration of the Communist Party.

The Utah Council For Constitutional Liberties is a Communist front organization in the Salt Lake City, Utah, area. In connection with its meetings it has indicated a desire to seek the cooperation of the American Civil Liberties Union, the NAACP, the American GI Forum, and a group referred to as Senior Citizens. It has also mentioned the Unitarian Church, Salt Lake City, Utah, but this has been primarily as a possible meeting place. No information sheet will be submitted pertaining to the Unitarian Church.

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 - (1--100-818, CP, USA)
 - (1--100-9508, American Association of University Women)
 - (1--100-1465, American Civil Liberties Union)
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II. ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNING WHICH DATA PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED

No data has been furnished to the Bureau pertaining to organizations under this program since the submission of referenced letter.

III. ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNING WHICH DATA BEING SUBMITTED BY INSTANT LETTER

1. American Association of University Women - Utah Division, Bureau file 100-378777.
2. American Civil Liberties Union - Utah Chapter, Bureau file unknown.
3. Cooperative Service Station, Bureau file unknown.
4. American GI Forum - Salt Lake City Branch, Bureau file 62-96541.
5. National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People - Salt Lake City Branch, Bureau file 61-3176.
6. Senior Citizens, Salt Lake City, Utah, Bureau file unknown.

Two copies each of information sheets pertaining to each of the above organizations are submitted herewith for the Bureau.

AMERICAN GI FORUM
(AGIF)
Salt Lake City Branch

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a. Name and Address of Organization.

The correct name of this organization is as set out above. It has no permanent address and meets at various places in the Salt Lake City, Utah, area.

b. Extent of Communist Infiltration.

In August, 1960, the Utah Council For Constitutional Liberties (UCCL), a Communist front organization in the Salt Lake City area, decided to plan a public meeting for early in October, 1960, and to seek the support of other organizations, including the AGIF.

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c. Recommendation.

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It does not appear that the extent of Communist infiltration at this time warrants active investigation.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-106)

DATE: FEB 26 1962

FROM : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (100-9260)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF MASS ORGANIZATIONS
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Re Salt Lake City letter 8/29/61.

A review has been made of information available to the Salt Lake City Office and informants have been contacted in order to identify mass organizations which are targets of the Communist Party (CP) in this area.

I. DATA CONCERNING COMMUNIST PARTY PROGRAM

No specific information has been received from informants during the past six months which names specific targets of the CP in Utah. The Utah Council for Constitutional Liberties (UCCL), which is a Communist front organization in the Salt Lake City, Utah, area, has exhibited an interest in United World Federalists through joint sponsorship of peace broadcasts. The UCCL has also discussed the possible joint sponsorship of a panel discussion with the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) in this area. It is known that on a nation-wide basis the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is a specific target for the infiltration of the CP.

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- 1 - Omaha (100-6345, World Peace Broadcasting Foundation) (Enc. 1) (REG.)
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 - (1 - 100-9508, American Association of University Women)
 - (1 - 100-1465, ACLU)
 - (1 - 100-8960, American GI Forum)
 - (1 - 100-3482, NAACP)
 - (1 - 100-7578, United World Federalists)
 - (1 - 100-9590, Utah League for the Abolition of Capital Punishment)
 - (1 - 100-9552, World Peace Broadcasting Foundation)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-106)

FROM : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (100-9260) (P*)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF MASS ORGANIZATIONS
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DATE: 8/30/63

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Re SU let 2/27/63.

A review has been made of information available to the Salt Lake City Office and informants have been contacted in order to identify mass organizations which are targets of the Communist Party (CP) in this area.

I. DATA CONCERNING PARTY PROGRAM

No specific information has been received from informants during the past month which names specific targets of the CP of Utah. The President of the Utah Council For Constitutional Liberties (UCCL) is a member of the Utah Citizens Organization For Civil Rights (UCOCR) as a representative of the UCCL. The UCCL is a Communist front organization in the Salt Lake City, Utah, area. ROBERT ARCEULETA, a CP member and official in Utah, is also a member of the UCOCR as a representative of the American GI Forum (AGIF). It is known that on a nationwide basis the National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People (NAACP) is a specific target for the infiltration of the CP.

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- 7 - Salt Lake City
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 - (1--100-9508, AAUW)
 - (1--100-8960, AGIF)
 - (1--100-3482, NAACP)
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II. ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNING WHICH DATA PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED

No data has been furnished to the Bureau pertaining to the organizations under this program since the submission of referenced letter.

III. ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNING WHICH DATA BEING SUBMITTED BY INSTANT LETTER

1. American Association of University Women - Utah Division, Bureau file 100-378777.

2. American GI Forum - Utah State Organization and Salt Lake City Branch, Bureau file 62-96541.

3. Cooperative Service Station, Salt Lake City, Utah, Bureau file unknown.

4. National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People - Salt Lake City Branch, Bureau file 61-3176.

5. Utah Citizens Organization For Civil Rights - Bureau file unknown.

Two copies each of information sheets pertaining to each of the above organizations are submitted herewith for the Bureau.

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II. ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNING WHICH DATA PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED

No data has been furnished to the Bureau pertaining to organizations under this program since the submission of referenced letter.

III. ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNING WHICH DATA BEING SUBMITTED BY INSTANT LETTER

1. American Association of University Women - Utah Division, Bureau file 100-378777.
2. American Civil Liberties Union - Utah Chapter, Bureau file unknown.
3. American GI Forum - Salt Lake City Branch, Bureau file 62-96541.
4. National Association for the Advancement of Colored People - Salt Lake City Branch, Bureau file 61-3176.
5. United World Federalists - Salt Lake City, Utah, Bureau file unknown.
6. Utah League for the Abolition of Capital Punishment - Salt Lake City, Bureau file unknown.
7. World Peace Broadcasting Foundation - Des Moines, Iowa, Bureau file unknown.

Two copies of information sheets pertaining to each of the above organizations are submitted herewith for the Bureau.

One copy of information sheet pertaining to World Peace Broadcasting Foundation is submitted herewith for Omaha.

AMERICAN GI FORUM
(AGIF)
Salt Lake City Branch

a. Name and Address of Organization.

The correct name of this organization is set out above. It has no permanent address and meets at various places in the Salt Lake City, Utah, area.

b. Extent of Communist Infiltration.

[REDACTED] the American GI Forum. This organization takes an official, positive stand of Anti-Communism.

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e. Recommendation.

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It does not appear on the basis of the above information that active investigation of the AGIF should be undertaken at this time.

Bureau files reflect that The American G.I. Forum of Texas, Inc., is the subject of a closed Internal Security - C case. Considerable investigation was conducted by the Kansas City Office of the Bureau to determine whether chapters of this organization in Kansas were controlled and dominated by the Communist Party, which investigation failed to indicate any communist infiltration, control or domination. Dr. Hector P. Garcia, National Chairman, American G.I. Forum, by letter 3-12-56 invited the Director to address the National Convention at Colorado on June 23 or 24. This invitation was declined by letter 3-21-56

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AMERICAN GI FORUM
(AGIF)
Utah State Organization
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Salt Lake City Branch

a. Name and Address of Organization.

The correct name of this organization is as set out above. The Utah State Organization has no permanent address and meets at various places in Utah. The Salt Lake City Branch has no permanent address and usually meets at the residences of its members.

b. Extent of Communist Infiltration.

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The organization itself adopts a positive anti-Communist point of view.

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e. Recommendation.

It does not appear on the basis of the above information that active investigation of the AGIF should be undertaken at this time. It is considered that the purposes of the Bureau can be accomplished through the investigation pertaining to [REDACTED]

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