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May 5, 1970

TO ALL BRANCH ORGANIZERS

Dear Comrades,

Militant Mailing Equipment Fund

This letter is to give you a progress report on the project Farrell Dobbs wrote you about early in April to raise \$5,500 to purchase new equipment for the mailing of The Militant.

To date, we have received \$1,755 toward this goal and we have pledges for \$300 more. The initial amount raised has enabled us to make a down payment on the new equipment. And, as you can see, we have been able to unfold the paper for the past two issues. Already, we have received enthusiastic responses from many Militant readers who are finding it much more enjoyable to read the paper.

However, we still need \$3,745 to turn our trial run into established practice, and to date, we have not heard anything from a number of branches on the prospects of meeting this goal. Please send us a report on what pledges you have gotten and forward checks to us as soon as you get them. We want to re-emphasize that the urgency of this appeal will wear off if too many weeks pass with an unfolded Militant.

Comradely,

Judy White

Judy White
National Financial Director

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May 7, 1970

Dear Joe,

You have surely been informed by others of Healy's request to see me. I am enclosing the report which I have just drawn up on this meeting for the United Secretariat. Although it is very short, I have not left out anything essential and I think you will be able to see that this is so. In my opinion, the man has not changed, but events have changed and he cannot avoid taking them into account. Most of the time he was very vague, but he was the one to make the request. Under the circumstances, I did not want to engage in any wisecracks, but I wanted to tell him: today, you're the "Pabloite."

You will also receive some material (and photos) on the May 1 demonstration. It is necessary to give this a good play. The parade of revolutionaries was led by the Ligue. Around 7,000 to 8,000 persons were with us. The Lambertists had several hundred under the banner of the UNEF. The PSU had about the same number. The polemic that followed this demonstration between the PCF and the CGT on the one hand, the CFDT and the PSU on the other, involved our right to be listed as being a part of the labor movement. The Stalinists conducted a furious defensive battle in opposition; the others supported us in order not to cut themselves off from the left that sympathizes with us.

With fraternal regards,

Pierre