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TO ALL SWP AND YSA ORGANIZERS

Dear Comrades,

At the Socialist Activists and Educational Conference in Oberlin, it was announced that Peter Buch would be making a national speaking tour this fall and winter. He will be speaking on the Palestinian revolution and the Arab-Israel question. The exact title of his talk will be sent to you shortly, along with promotional materials.

This will be a major propaganda effort for our movement. Reports from many areas at the Oberlin conference indicated a heightened interest in the Middle East and greater opportunities to reach people with our ideas on this controversial subject.

Attached are a proposed schedule and tour quotas for the tour. You will note that they are partially broken down into regions. The locals and branches within each bracketed region, given one time slot, should consult and determine the exact distribution of Peter's time among those branches and locals. Each underlined branch or local or at-large region should fill out and send in the enclosed form, as the responsible organizing center for the region. Adjustments in the schedule will be made only if absolutely necessary.

The proposed quotas to cover the cost of the tour are broken down by the same regions. Again, the branches and locals in each region should consult, and the underlined branch or local should indicate on the form the acceptance of the proposed quota.

An important aspect of this tour should be to arrange honorariums for speaking engagements for Peter Buch at universities. It should be possible to make the tour self-financing. Each region is responsible for forwarding to the national office of the SWP the full amount of their tour quota. Any honorariums received can be credited towards the tour quota. If honorariums are received in excess of the tour quota, the excess amount should also be forwarded to the national office, minus local tour expenses.

Comradely,

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