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The University of Wisconsin—Madison

MADISON, WISCONSIN 53706

THE UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE
BASCOM HALL
500 LINCOLN DRIVE

February 9, 1971

For Immediate Release

The University Committee deeply regrets that the meeting of the Madison campus faculty on Monday, February 8, had to be adjourned before the purposes of the meeting could be accomplished. The University of Wisconsin has always permitted and encouraged the expression of widely divergent and frequently unpopular views. The University Committee believes that faculty members are as deeply concerned about United States foreign policy as any segment of the society, but that the disruption of a faculty meeting serves neither the cause of anti-war protesters nor the University's long tradition of democratic faculty government. The University Committee will make every effort to insure the right of students and faculty to meet and discuss the issues before them without disruption.

James B. Bower, Chairman

J. Ray Bowen

E. David Cronon

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CALENDER

1. Attend mass meetings everyday - - spread the strike
2. National SMC Conference in Washington D.C. - Feb 19-21
Organize the Spring Offensive.

3. Referendum - on the ballot for the April 6th municipal election in Madison

Work for a massive vote for IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL.

4. April 24th: National massive mobilizations in Wash D.C
an San Francisco to stop the war.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO HELP CALL:

Student Mobilization Committee
202 W Gilman
256-5248

This weekend in Ann Arbor there was a student and youth conference to discuss the Vietnamese Peace Treaty and to make plans for a May first anti-war, national demonstration.

for IMMEDIATE RELEASE
two p.m. February 7, 1971

The following message was received by phone from the Provisional Revolutionary Government in Paris.

The PRG in Paris has today issued an appeal to the student and youth conference in Ann Arbor Michigan and to peace loving people throughout the world to initiate firm, broad and immediate actions, including massive street demonstrations to condemn U.S. aggressions in Laos and to check new plans to invade Cambodia, Laos and North Vietnam. The PRG confirms that as of February 4, tens of thousands of Saigon, Thai, and American troops have crossed into Laos with motorized Vehicles. More than 20,000 Saigon paratroopers, marines and rangers are involved. At least two regiments of the third infantry division of the puppet Thai army have gone into Laos, in coordination with the puppet army of Laos. The PRG asserts that US ground troops, and not just American advisors are involved and that around the clock bombings to support the ground troops is being carried out by the US airforce in Laos. This military aggression is the first of a large aggression being planned. The PRG says that the apparent US plan is to invade all of Indochina including Laos, Cambodia and North Vietnam and 10,000 US troops are now massed on the Laotian border. The PRG urgently calls on the people of the world to condemn the new escalation of the war and to take actions now that could check the plans for even greater escalation about to occur. The PRG states that there is a world wide news blackout on this military escalation and that American people must bring this news to their communities through every available channel.]

People at the Ann Arbor conference called for national strikes, demonstrations, and street actions in solidarity with the PRG,
ON WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, a meeting will be held in the Union
to discuss our responses to the statement.

ALSO, COME TO THE FACULTY MEETING MONDAY AT 3:30 in
3650 Humanities to show the faculty that business
WILL NOT RUN AS USUAL...

MEETING
MONDAY

7:30

UNION

LAOS

STATEMENT BY UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN PRES. JOHN C. WEAVER

2/8/71

The disruption of the annual meeting of the University of Wisconsin Madison campus faculty by non-faculty this afternoon was a blow at the very heart of faculty governance and democratic procedures. At the invitation of the University Committee of the Faculty and the Chancellor, I was prepared to answer questions of current faculty concern and solicit faculty guidance in the Wisconsin tradition.

That the actions of disrupters, whatever their stated purpose, made this impossible was an insult to the faculty and an outrage to academic freedom. Wisconsin's open meeting tradition was sorely tested by non-faculty who made democratic procedures impossible. Indeed, the fact that the chairman of the University Committee moved adjournment may well have been all that saved the meeting from violence.

In spite of this regrettable incident, I shall always stand ready to meet with the faculty under circumstances in which rational communication is possible. I will leave to the University Committee the decision concerning the proper time and place.

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UW news

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*Campus
Disruptions
General
Info
J. J. J.*

MADISON--A number of small groups representing various student anti-war organizations on campus met with the University of Wisconsin Madison administration Monday, attempting to find ways for discussing and publicizing their position on the current situation in Southeast Asia.

Acting Dean of Students Paul Ginsberg later announced that the University has made arrangements to provide the Memorial Shell for a rally Saturday noon.

The administration has also contacted both WHA and WHA-TV, to see if broadcast time might be made available. Student representatives are working with station officials.

Ginsberg said that use of the shell on Saturday is being granted in response to concerns expressed by those students and faculty who want to discuss the current situation.

In the meantime, it is expected that classes and other University functions will continue as scheduled.

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Hos
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MADISON--Madison campus officials Friday approved the request submitted by the University of Wisconsin Student Association to hold an anti-war rally in the Camp Randall Memorial Building from 12 to 3 p.m. Saturday.

The decision was made with the concurrence of City of Madison officials and the governor's office.

Acting Dean of Students Paul Ginsberg, in announcing the approval for the rally, said: "We have been assured there will be no rally or march before or after the meeting. We have also been assured that the sponsors of this meeting will make a public statement strongly advocating the need for peaceful and non-violent protest as the most effective means to exercise their right of dissent. They have also agreed to take all necessary steps to insure that the protest will be peaceful."

The University said it would reserve the right to cancel the planned rally should there be any violence in the community or calls for violence in advance of the meeting.

Dean Ginsberg said:

"We are depending on the good faith of those who have organized this event to see that it is conducted within the bounds of legitimate dissent and protest, and that those conditions are met."

He emphasized that use of the Memorial shell would be withdrawn if any of the above conditions are not met, or if other incidents which take place in the community indicate that it would be necessary to cancel the program.

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UNANIMOUS CONSENT RULE

CHAPTER 21.06 (4) LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Section 2: "A MATTER NOT ON THE CALENDAR OF A FACULTY MEETING MAY NOT BE
CONSIDERED AT THAT MEETING EXCEPT BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT."

Once again students come to the faculty in time of crisis.

You have told us that non-negotiable demands are unfair, so today we do not present non-negotiable demands. In fact, today we present no demands at all. Rather, today we have only a question:

WHAT WILL THE FACULTY DO?

In the past four years of anti-war protest on this campus, every imaginable excuse, every conceivable academic rationalization, has been applied to the argument that faculties ought to be the same and silent in the face of the war.

Finally, last May, you issued some kind of resolution about Cambodia. In the past week you have seen the results of such polite, inoffensive memorials to Washington. You have learned what we learned four years ago: that the government does not respond to simple humane argument.

And you have learned that effective anti-war protest requires action, not reaction. To accept the Nixon Administrations' rules of "legitimate democratic dissent" is to forfeit the match. To whisper when you are beaten over the head is not the way to preserve the integrity of the University.

The timidity of faculties in the face of militarism was foreseen twenty years ago by Albert Einstein, when he argued against a military presence on campus. The silence has been lambasted by William L. Shires, author of The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich, who says it can happen here. The silence has been noted by men like Telford Taylor, the chief U.S. counsel at Nuremberg, who says we are indeed a nation of war criminals. And the silence has been condemned by Senator Fulbright, himself a former university president.

For God's sake, march with us and not against us. Show the country that not all protestors and dissenters are kids. Join us in demonstrating, strike with us, take action on your own, do something, please!

Not for us, but for our children.

---Emergency Student Coalition Against the Widening War

SAVE THE STRIKE

The outrageous invasion of Laos mandates a broad and powerful response. To do this, we must expose Nixon's lies to everyone. The only effective response to the invasion and war will come from action by the 33,000 (not 1,000) students on campus and the 250,000 people who live in Dane County.

As shown by last night's trashing fiasco the movement we are trying to build is in a precarious position. We have not lost our chance yet, but, unless we alter our plans and set out with renewed determination we will have failed to demonstrate our solidarity with the struggle in Indo-China. WE CANNOT LET THIS HAPPEN!

The goals of the strike are simple. U.S. Out of Laos Now! U.S. Out of All of Southeast Asia Now! Self-determination for the people of Southeast Asia! Self-determination for All Third World peoples!

We must organize a mass movement to fight for these goals. Concretely we propose:

Spread the Strike!

Bring the issues into the classrooms, dorms and fraternities in a constructive way. Each unit should vote to endorse the strike and demand that the university turn over its facilities for organizing. Contact anti-war groups and other info sources and set up rap sessions for your group and others. Bring everyone together at the nightly mass meetings.

Turn the University Around:

We can make Chancellor Young live up to his anti-war pledges, and use the university as an organizing center against the war. We need office space, telephones to call everyone in the phone book, mimeos, paper, meeting halls, and facilities for child-care so women from campus and community can fully participate in the strike activities. We have the right to a university building but that is only a first step. We should not seek to seize a building to sit and occupy it, but rather to put its many facilities to constructive use.

Reach Out:

Use the university's facilities as a base to reach out to the larger community. U.W. owns WHA-TV and WHA-Radio. Free time must be given to special anti-war programs. Door-to-door canvassing and leafleting of factories and shopping centers must take place every day. A Saturday rally to unite campus and community in action should be held at the Field House.

At a time when it is reported that our leaders are deporting whole Vietnamese villages to create a zone for nuclear bombings an extraordinary and determined effort is called for. Our success in this massive undertaking lies in our own hands. Let us join together at the mass meeting to mandate a strong and rational response.

RALLY TODAY AT 12:00 NOON, LIBRARY MALL.

STUDENT MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE 256-5248

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RALLY 3:30

Sunday night, the Madison community received word of an allied invasion of Laos through a telegram from Madame Binh, leader of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam and a delegate at the Paris Peace talks. This message, which was forwarded by the Ann Arbor convention, gave an account of no less than 20,000 ARVN troops, US marines and rangers, and Thai infantry which had invaded Southeastern Laos with tanks and armed personnel carriers under the cover of intensive American saturation bombings.

Madame Binh's message was, however, not simply information and statistics to a public starved of the truth by a blackout of all news of this offensive. This was a plea! This was an appeal to American citizens to express their dissent with this extension of the Vietnam catastrophe. In the name of the Indochinese people and for the sake of their struggle for independence and self-determination, she has revealed and denounced Nixon's hoax of de-escalation and Vietnamization and has called upon the peace-loving people of the United States to take up her call and to do whatever is necessary to see that this rampant runaway war machine is brought to a swift and sudden halt.

There is no longer time to let our weariness of this war or our uncertainty of our own individual roles in this struggle restrain us in non-action. The peoples of Indochina are engaged in something more than a struggle for independence and self determination. They are fighting for their lives. Each minute we allow this war machine to continue we become weakened by the loss of brothers and sisters who could not choose to sit by and let this genocide happen. Our enemy is the same; only the place is different. We fight against an institution which seeks to turn us into war machines to be used against our brothers and sisters while huge profits are stockpiled by an elite group who control the whole complex. Only through our solidarity with the liberation movements of Indochina, throughout the Third World, and with ourselves here in America, can we mount an offensive capable of regaining control of our lives and the lives of those already engaged in struggle throughout the world.

The time to act is NOW. The evidence for the reality of Madame Binh's fears of a final and all out Indochina strike have been with us for months. In addition to the recent news blackout, Nixon's raids on the POW camps in North Vietnam was really a feeler for public reaction in the US to the presence of US troops in North Vietnam. Melvin Laird was to be sent here during exam week to see how a radical campus would react to his ugly presence while the bombing continued and still continues to escalate. Finally, a moon shot has been sent up to divert the attention and sentiments of the people.

We must break through all of these deceptions and tactics of the US genocide machine NOW, with more force and energy than has ever been displayed in the peace movement before.

We must bring the truth to the people of the US by causing a disturbance that no news blackout can deny. That will take all of us.

LIBRARY MALL

In response to Madame Binh's appeal , there will be various activities going on in the various sections of the campus. You are encouraged to call the Dorm Co-ordination Center at 262-8316 to find out what events are schedule. There will also be news releases from foreign news services which have circumvented the US news blackout. A rally will be held today at 3:30 in the Library Mall and there will be a mass meeting tonight in Great Hall at 7:30 to determine what course this counter-offensive will take and what our role as university students will be in this struggle.

(ANSO. MASS MEETING TONIGHT AT 7:30 PM.)
UNION

RALLY

3:30

LIBRARY

MALL

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS****YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT******ANYTHING THAT YOU SAY CAN AND WILL BE USED AGAINST YOU******YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO A LAWYER AND TO HAVE A LAWYER PRESENT AT
ALL TIMES WHEN BEING QUESTIONED**

THE MORE EFFECTIVE OUR PROTEST IS, THE MORE LIKELY IT IS THAT THE MAN WILL TRY TO SILENCE US, AND SOME OF US ARE LIABLE TO FIND OURSELVES BUSTED. LEGAL DEFENSE FOR THE COMMUNITY HAS BEEN ORGANIZED AND WE WILL TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER.

ONE THING THAT HAS BEEN LEARNED OVER AND OVER AGAIN IS THAT MOST OF THOSE WHO ARE 'BUSTED' ARE ALONE ON THE STREET. THAT IS, THEY ARE NOT MOVING AS PART OF A GROUP OF PEOPLE, ALL OF WHOM ARE COMMITTED TO LOOKING OUT FOR EACH OTHER'S SAFETY. OUR GREATEST SINGLE ASSET IS OUR LOVE FOR EACH OTHER. SHOW IT. EVERYONE SHOULD BE IN AN AFFINITY GROUP!! PEOPLE SHOULD BE TRAVELLING AS PART OF GROUPS OF 4-6 PEOPLE. YOUR PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY SHOULD BE WATCHING OUT FOR YOUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS, AND THEY WILL BE WATCHING OUT FOR YOU.

IF YOU GET BUSTED REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING:

- **SHOUT OUT YOUR NAME SO THAT THOSE AROUND YOU WILL KNOW WHO YOU ARE**
- **YOU GET ONE PHONE CALL FROM JAIL. CALL A ROOMATE OR FRIEND WHO YOU CAN TRUST AND WHO YOU KNOW FOR SURE WILL BE HOME. TELL HIM OR HER THE CHARGE AND HOW MUCH BAIL IS NEEDED. TELL HIM ALSO TO CALL THE MDL AND LET US KNOW SO THAT WE WILL HELP IF WE CAN. THE NUMBER IS 257-0414 WRITE IT DOWN!**
- **IF YOU ARE NOT SURE THAT ANY OF YOUR FRIENDS WILL BE HOME THEN CALL THE MDL 257-0414**
- **STAY COOL AND DON'T TALK! THE MAN WILL TRY ALL SORTS OF GAMES TO GET US TO TALK ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR FRIENDS. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT -- USE IT!!**

IF YOU GET RIPPED OFF, REMEMBER -- WE ARE WORKING TO TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER. IT MAY TAKE A WHILE BUT WE'LL GET TO EVERYBODY.

BE PREPARED

THE COPS HAVE SPENT A LONG TIME GETTING READY FOR DEALING WITH THE PEOPLE WHEN WE'VE DECIDED THAT WE HAVE FINALLY HAD ENOUGH -- LIKE RIGHT NOW THERE IS MUCH THAT WE CAN DO TO PREPARE FOR THEM, TOO. JUST AS THEY ARE READY TO DEAL WITH US, WE SHOULD BE READY TO DEAL WITH THEM. THESE MINUTE PRECAUTIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN:

***FOR WOMEN: WEAR

***FOR MEN: WEAR

FOR EVERYONE: WEAR

GLASSES UNLESS IT IS THEN SECURE THEM WITH LENSES, HIGH COLLARS AGAINST GAS ATTACK. AROUND THE NECK.



PANTS, AND DON'T WEAR EARPLUGS OR JOCK CUPS

HARD SHOES. DON'T WEAR ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY, AND RUBBER BANDS. NO CONTACT AND TIGHT CUFFS WILL PROTECT NOTHING SHOULD BE WORN

FOR GAS ATTACK: CARRY A HANDKERCHIEF OR SURGICAL FACE MASK TO USE OVER A STERILE GAUZE PAD TO PROTECT AGAINST GAS. DO NOT RUB YOUR EYES AFTER BEING GASED OR MACHED -- DON'T WASH THEM WITH SOAP, EITHER. IF YOU GET GASED, IRRIGATE YOUR EYES WITH WATER SQUEEZED FROM COTTON BALLS AND THEN CLEAN THEM WITH OVER THE COUNTER TYPE EYE DROPS. GET THE GAS OFF YOUR SKIN BY WIPING WITH MINERAL OIL, OR FLOODING WITH ALCOHOL OR WATER. IF POSSIBLE, REMOVE ALL CLOTHES THAT HAVE BECOME SATURATED WITH GAS.

IF YOU HAVE ANY KNOWN ILLNESS CARRY IDENTIFICATION CARDS OR TAGS: FOR EXAMPLE: "I AM A DIABETIC" OR "I HAVE A PENICILLIN ALLERGY"

NEVER CARRY DRUGS IN A DEMONSTRATION

NEVER TAKE YOUR ADDRESS BOOK TO A DEMONSTRATION IF YOU ARE BUSTED THE COPS WILL GET EVERYBODY'S NAME.

NEVER CARRY A PEN KNIFE OR NAIL FILE IF YOU GET BUSTED YOU MAY BE CHARGED WITH CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON.

SOME EXTRA WORDS ABOUT GAS: IF ANY IS USED IT WILL MOST LIKELY BE CS (STRONG) OR CN (WEAK) TEAR GAS. THE GAS COMES IN CANNISTERS, PLASTIC GRENADES, OR PEPPER FOG MACHINES, AND CAN BE SPRAYED FROM HELICOPTERS AND CARS. WATCH THE WAY THE WIND IS BLOWING AND MOVE THE OTHER WAY. BURNING AND NAUSEA WILL GENERALLY ONLY LAST A SHORT TIME, AND YOU WILL SOON BE ABLE TO RE-ENTER A GASED AREA. WHEN THE COPS THROW TEAR GAS INTO A CROWD THE GAS CONTINUES TO COME OUT AFTER IT HITS -- THROW THE CANNISTER OFF SOMEWHERE INTO THE BLUE.



WE CAN, AND WE WILL WIN, AS LONG AS WE ARE PREPARED. VENCERAMOS