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Vietnam Veterans Against the War/  
Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO)  
Anti-Imperialist Caucus  
National Meeting  
St. Louis, Missouri  
June 27-30, 1975  
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The following information was furnished by the source  
concerning the meeting of the Anti-Imperialist Caucus:

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The caucus was attended by approximately 67 individuals representing 25 chapters of the VVAW/WSO. The St. Louis Chapter acted as the host and presided over the agenda and coordination of the different events that took place at the caucus. St. Louis Chapter members, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were the individuals in charge of the caucus. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are associated with the GI Assistance Project, 741 East Gate, Apartment 2S, St. Louis, Missouri, telephone number 725-2418. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are associated with the Military Law Project, 27 Allen Street, St. Louis, Missouri. The meetings of the caucus usually began at 9 a.m. and continued throughout the day with some workshop groups not disbanding until 4:00 or 5:00 the next morning. The caucus ended on the morning of 6/30/75.

The source advised of the 42 chapters of the VVAW/WSO in the U.S., 25 were represented at the caucus as previously stated and letters of support were received at the caucus from 8 other chapters who did not send representatives. These chapters were identified by the source as the Washington, D.C., Chapter; four chapters from the State of Vermont; the Bellingham, Washington, Chapter; the St. Louis, Kentucky, Chapter; and the Salt Lake City, Utah, Chapter. Nine chapters of the VVAW are no longer in existence and were not represented.

Of the VVAW/WSO chapters present, the Chicago Chapter, the Southern California Chapter represented by BARRY ROMEO, and the New York City Chapter represented by JOE URRGO, were the most vocal. The caucus adopted a temporary name of the National Anti-Imperialist Forces to represent the groups present, and all of the chapters present with the exception of the Northern California Chapter, the St. Louis Chapter, and the St. Paul, Minnesota, Chapter adopted this new name for the organization. The three chapters which did not adopt the new name stated that they would agree to continue to call themselves the VVAW/WSO.

The main theme of the caucus was the desire of the members present to form a new national organization whose purpose would be to take up an armed revolution against the U.S. which would be communist supported but not Revolutionary Union controlled. The new organization formed would until a new name was decided upon continue to operate under the title, the National Anti-Imperialist Forces. The group intends to use the radical newspapers "White Lightning" and

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and "Seize the Time" to help bring about the formation of this new organization. The constitution and a formal name for the new organization will be drawn up by the California Chapter with the assistance of the St. Louis and New York City chapters. The proposed constitution and new name will then be furnished to the members of the chapters that were present at the caucus and also to the chapters that sent their support but were not present.

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[REDACTED] source was of the opinion that as a result of the caucus a new organization would be formed from the VVAW/WSO which would be similar to the formation of the Weatherman at the time the Weatherman split from the Students for a Democratic Society. It was the source's opinion that the caucus was definitely against the Revolutionary Union and the individuals that now represent the national offices of the VVAW/WSO. The source felt that the VVAW/WSO would cease to exist by the end of 1975 as a result of the meeting in St. Louis.

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The source stated [REDACTED] who represented the Southern Conference Educational Fund at the caucus, spoke to the members present on racism. Source advised [REDACTED] associated with the Leavenworth Brothers Offense Defense Committee of Wichita Falls, Kansas, was also present at the caucus.

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FD-306 being prepared [REDACTED] and will be furnished to St. Louis for inclusion in [REDACTED]

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