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FROM: 0203 MCL GFL
SUBJECT: Protests Planned Against Recruiting Centers in Springfield, IL Area on 18 Mar 05


DETAILS: Source received an e-mail from the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) that stated that on March 18-20 a series of protest actions were planned in the Springfield, IL area. For 18 Mar 05, they want to focus on actions at military recruitment offices with the goals to include:

- raising awareness, education, visibility in community, visibility to recruiters as part of a national day of action focused on military recruiters. The protests are in response to a call for by the UFPJ. The AFSC identified three locations and noted there were more recruitment stations in the local area. The identified locations are the Springfield (Federal Building), South Hadley, and Greenfield. The group is preparing a handout for all locations. Further, the e-mail stated, 'The actions would be simultaneous, beginning around 2pm (school letting out) and lasting until 6pm (through commuting time).'

- currently, the group is organizing one speaker for each location, to help spread the message, speak with the media, etc. The group wants one coordinator for each location. The coordinator would help hold the space at the location for the duration of the action, be the liaison with media, help with outreach, etc. The AFSC further needs community members willing to flyer, hold signs and banners, etc. The event is formally being coordinated by AFSC/MEN, and all are welcome to attend.

PERSONS BRIEFED LOCALLY: FPS, Atlanta FSG, Fort Knox RO, NCIS, APOIS, JTF Chicago

COMMENTS: 1. This information was from an e-mail sent over the Internet. The source made no effort to validate the credibility of the information. The source shared the information solely for informational purposes.

2. Other events sponsored by the National Front for Peace and Justice (NFJP) during this period have called for civil disobedience.

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