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January 15, 1966

Dear Ed,

Enclosed are two very interesting documents. Evidently Kirk doesn't trust the N.O. to circulate his opus re the Anti-war movement.

The interesting fact re his document is the method in which I received this copy. The note is very instructive re Seattle's factional madness. And as usually happens in such situations, a dead-head is utilized and comes to life to circulate a declaration of war against the Party. I wonder how many copies were made for other comrades?

Kirk's document represents a clear break with the Party. Up to now he showed restraint that was expressed thru contempt for the leadership. Now, the Party's line is worse than Stalinism in its heyday. Oh well, we are very patient people and have developed pretty tough hides BUT enough is enough.

I see no other way now but to settle accounts with Kirk at the coming plenum. He has openly violated the discipline of the N.C. and must take the consequences.

Arne's document was in response to an Xmas card that I sent to him expressing good wishes and health to him and Hildy.

His document is an extremely important document for the archives of our movement. Marcuse of Brandeis Univ. wrote a book "Soviet Marxism" and accomplished what I thought was a modern day miracle by mentioning Trotsky's name exactly once. Every time I mention his name -- or hear it mentioned -- I always tell about ~~this~~miracle. But, really, the guy is a bum. Swabeck has written about the Washington convention and does not mention Stalinism or Stalinist ONCE. We must take our hat off to him. If you don't wish to do so, you try writing about the conference without mentioning the subject!

Arne's document is absolutely shameful. That is all that can be said about it.

He likewise must be called to order at this plenum. If he and Kirk wish to circulate documents in the ranks behind the back of the leading bodies of the Party then we must be ready to show who is running this Party. They have left us no other choice.

Oh, well

With Best Wishes,

/s/ Larry T.

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Dear Larry,

Dick asked me to make a copy of the enclosed (Kirk's document -- T.K.) and send it to you. You may have a copy from New York by this time, but didn't want to take a chance you might not see it.

Regards,

/s/ Dan