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TO ALL NC MEMBERS

Dear Comrades,

The Bay Area branches have just concluded discussions on the Black Panther Party - Peace and Freedom Party candidacies for public office in San Francisco and Oakland.

Enclosed are transcripts of the presentations and summaries by Peter Camejo and Nat Weinstein presented to the first joint meeting of the Bay Area branches held June 23, 1968 and transcripts of the presentations and summaries by Carl Frank and Bob Himmel presented to the second joint meeting held July 21.

Further discussion on this question took place at the San Francisco branch meetings of July 24 and July 31.

We will distribute the remarks made by NC members during the discussion periods of these meetings as soon as they can be transcribed.

On July 22 the Berkeley branch voted 23 for, 8 against, 0 abstentions to recommend to the PC that the party extend critical support to the three Bay Area local BPP - PFP candidacies of Huey Newton, Kathleen Cleaver and Bobby Seale.

It rejected a motion to recommend critical support to the Eldridge Cleaver PFP presidential candidacy: 1 for, 27 against, 2 abstentions.

On July 31 the San Francisco branch divided 20 for and 20 against a motion to recommend to the PC that the party extend critical support to the three Bay Area local BPP - PFP candidacies.

It unanimously rejected a motion to recommend critical support to the Eldridge Cleaver candidacy.

The PC will begin its discussion on these questions at its meeting following the August 17-18 PFP National Convention at Ann Arbor.

These presentations and summaries are submitted at this time for NC information only, not for general membership distribution or discussion.

Comradely,



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