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SUBJECT: MINUTE MEN

TO: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

The NAACP, CORE, and many other left wing organizations are sending groups of radicals throughout the South in attempts to break local and state laws and to violate local customs.

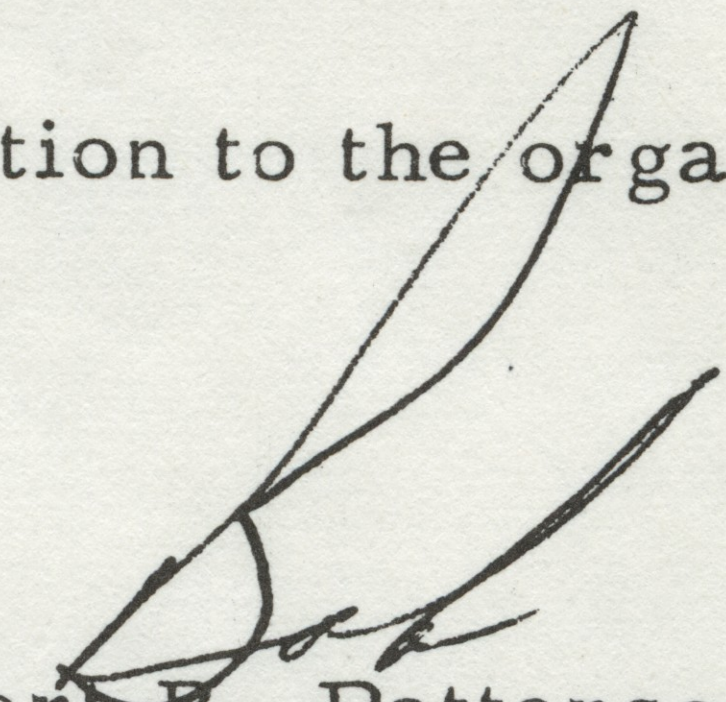
Many Southern communities are organizing groups of "Minute Men" in order to counteract such acts of aggression.

These "Minute Men" organizations are made up of a cross section of the finest white citizenry in each community. They consist of bankers, lawyers, businessmen, farmers, and community leaders. Their purpose is to peaceably assemble on short notice at any given point within their community or county to demonstrate a citizens protest against any invasion of our institutions.

Their presence will lend moral support to local law enforcement officers who may be outnumbered by the invaders. Community opinion can be quickly mobilized in support of any city or county official faced with an invasion of trained revolutionaries.

The key men in each organization are the seven leaders or colonels. Each one of the seven telephones five captains and each of the five captains in turn calls five lieutenants. In a few minutes a substantial group can be alerted to assemble at a given point.

This is a "nonviolent" counteraction to the organized "nonviolent" law breakers.

  
Robert B. Patterson  
Executive Secretary

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