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MEMO

From: The Central Committee of the Black Workers Congress

To: The Central Committee of _____

Dear Comrades,

For the past several months the BWC has been locked in an intense two-line struggle over the main danger inside the BWC—"left" or Right opportunism--and generally whether the line of the organization on Party Building was correct. This struggle has been carried on with an eye toward assuring that all views and opinions would be heard. Throughout this struggle, however, Don Williams has consistently resorted to rumor-mongering, gossip, slander, lies and intimidation as a method of struggle. He has consistently violated democratic centralism. Though given repeated warnings, Don Williams has continued to engage in factional activity. He has attempted to set up a second center within the organization. Though in vehement disagreement with his "left" opportunist line on the question of Party Building, the Central Committee has stood and continues to stand firmly on Leninist principles of organization whereby every cadre within BWC has the right and responsibility to engage in open, above board ideological struggle in regards to their views. Don Williams however, while given an opportunity to express his views within the organization has chosen to use democracy as a means of disruption. He has repeatedly violated the discipline of the organization, refused to abide by directives, and carried himself in a provocative, degenerate manner. As a result of these actions he has been suspended from the organization. As of March 22, 1975 Don Williams is no longer to be considered a spokesman for the BWC. His views should not be considered as those of the organization.

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Mike Hamlin on the other hand, has resigned from the BWC. His resignation is the culmination of a long struggle the CC has conducted with Mike Hamlin over factional intrigue, inner-organizational sectarianism and gross violations of democratic centralism. The CC, while in vehement disagreement with his Right opportunist line on Party Building, has provided for Mike Hamlin the same avenues for ideological struggle that are available to every other cadre. Instead of utilizing these channels Mike attempted to set up his own channels, to cater to the interests of his faction, and to set up another center. Finally, instead of waging principled ideological struggle over honest differences from within the organization, he chose the petty-bourgeois pacifist escape--i.e., resignation. Hence, as of March, 1975, Mike Hamlin also should no longer be considered a spokesman of the BWC. His views should not be considered as those of the organization.

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In conclusion, let us say that there are those who think that because of their longer service in BWC and because of their high position within the organization, that they are above the discipline of the organization. This type of view cannot and will not be tolerated in the BWC. While recognizing that both these comrades have made some positive contributions to the development of the BWC and the anti-revisionist communist movement, no one can live on their laurels and be allowed to hold their own individual interests above

the interests of the organization and the communist movement as a whole. We hope that one day both these comrades will recognize and repudiate their errors and move back to the path of Marxism-Leninism.

A more detailed analysis of the views of these individuals will be forthcoming. All communication with the BWC should be done by addressing correspondence to:

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