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Dear NERC Coordinating Committee;

We are writing you in response to your recent communications regarding the development of the NERC and your proposal that we of the Red Boston Study Group not only participate in the NERC but also prepare various position papers for struggle within the NERC. After lengthy discussion of your proposals we have concluded that it is not possible for the RBSG, or the individuals who compose it, to join the NERC at this time.

The RBSG has dissolved into the Boston Political Collective (ML). As such, the RBSG no longer exists as an independent political organization. As you know, the BPC(ML) has not yet decided whether or not to join the OC (and therefore, the NERC). We are presently evaluating this issue. Once a decision has been reached, however, the whole organization either will or will not join. But we will not continue a situation in which some members of our organization are members of the OC for historical reasons, while others are not. Therefore, the individuals of the RBSG, and LB, can no longer be considered members of the OC, and thus cannot join the NERC.

Although we are not joining the NERC at this time, representatives of the primacy of theory line will be addressing some of the issues raised by the NERC proposal in upcoming papers. Hopefully, these papers will be of use to the NERC discussions.

We are also of course willing to participate in OC sponsored and collectively sponsored forums at the national or local level which would bring these and other issues confronting the party-building movement to the fore.

In this interim period, prior to making our decision on joining the OC, we hope to maintain comradely contact with you.

In Struggle and Unity,

Irene, for the BPC(ML)

cc: OC Steering Committee