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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Attorney General Herbert Brownell, Jr. announced today that he has designated as subversive 20 organizations which failed to file proper notices of contest after receiving official notification of proposed designation.

Mr. Brownell notified the heads of the Departments and Agencies of the designations for their guidance in carrying out the Federal Employee Security Program.

At the same time, he redesignated as subversive the Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico which had previously been so designated in the former Employee Loyalty Program.

In all, 62 organizations were sent notices of proposed designation. Of these, 19 have filed proper notices of contest, and statements of grounds and interrogatories have either been sent to these organizations or are in the process of preparation by the Department of Justice.

An additional 23 notices by registered mail to 23 organizations were returned unclaimed. In keeping with the rules of procedure, a memorandum giving further notice by publication in the Federal Register has been prepared. These organizations will have 30 days after publication in which to file notice of contest or, in case of default, be designated as subversive.

Five organizations which were redesignated as subversive April 29, have filed notice of contest. They had previously been listed under the Employee Loyalty Program.

Those designated as subversive for failure to file proper notice of contest are:

American Committee to Survey Labor Conditions in Europe
American Poles for Peace
Baltimore Forum
Bridges-Robertson-Schmidt Defense Committee
California Emergency Defense Committee
Chopin Cultural Center
Committee for Constitutional and Political Freedom
Committee for the Defense of the Pittsburgh Six
Committee for World Youth Friendship and Cultural Exchange
Committee to Defend Marie Richardson
Council of Greek Americans
Council for Jobs, Relief and Housing
Jewish Cultural Society
Maurice Braverman Defense Committee
National Committee for Freedom of the Press
North Philadelphia Forum
Political Prisoners' Welfare Committee
Russian American Society, Inc.
United Committee of Jewish Societies and Landsmanschaft
Federations, also known as Coordination Committee of
Jewish Landsmanschaften and Fraternal Organizations
Washington Committee to Defend the Bill of Rights

Those not previously designated but who received notices of proposed designation and have filed proper notices of contest are:

American Lithuanian Workers' Literary Association
American Peace Crusade
American Women for Peace
Association of Lithuanian Workers
China Welfare Appeal, Inc.
Citizens Emergency Defense Committee
Committee for the Negro in the Arts
Connecticut Committee to Aid Victims of the Smith Act
Daniels Defense Committee
Families of the Baltimore Smith Act Victims
Families of the Smith Act Victims
Freedom Stage, Inc.
Massachusetts Minute Women for Peace
National Association of Mexican Americans
National Negro Labor Council
Palo Alto Peace Club
Slavic Council of Southern California
Washington Pension Union
Yugoslav Seamen's Club

Those whose notice of proposed designation was returned unclaimed and which face designation in event they fail to file notice of contest within 30 days after publication in the Federal Register are:

American Committee for the Settlement of Jews in
Birobidjan, Inc.
American Polish League
Bulgarian American People's League of the United States
of America
Committee for Peace and Brotherhood Festival in Philadelphia
Committee for the Protection of the Bill of Rights
Committee to Uphold the Bill of Rights
Frederick Douglass Educational Center
Harlem Trade Union Council
Joint Council of Progressive Italian-Americans, Inc.
Labor Council for Negro Rights
Maritime Labor Committee to Defend Al Lannon
National Labor Conference for Peace
Peace Information Center
People's Drama, Inc.
Philadelphia Labor Committee for Negro Rights
Provisional Committee of Citizens for Peace, Southwest Area
Puertorriquenos Unidos (Puerto Ricans United)
Quad City Committee for Peace
Santa Barbara Peace Forum
Tri-State Negro Trade Union Council
Union of New York Veterans
Voice of Freedom Committee
Yugoslav-American Cooperative Home, Inc.

The five previously designated and who now have filed notices of contest are:

Citizens Protective League
German-American Republican League
Independent Socialist League
Socialist Youth League
Workers Party