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August 19, 1968

DEAR BROTHERS & SISTERS:

A salam Alakam. Well, summer's almost over and I hope all of you had a mellow summer. We up here have, but now its just about time to fight those books again.'

The members of your BSU have been busy all summer, and none of us has really had any time to do a lot of work on BSU matters per se. However, we have managed to get things done and find out a few facts. Here they are:

- 1. First of all, we will have quite a few more black brothers and sisters on campus this fall. All of the sixteen (16) black students, under the new program, are coming in as far as I know. Also, the new freshman class may have as many as 20-25 black students. At least that's what the Assistant Director of Admissions said. Furthermore, there are some black transfer students who are making the move on in. CAN YOU DIG IT!!
- Priscilla Scotlan and I worked in the summer UPWARD BOUND campus government project, which was 50% black. So we're solidly in there. The program will be going on during the year.
- 3. We have an all black week scheduled for this year. The week is October 7-13. The title is "Exhibit Seminar: Black Culture". We've got to make it out of sight. Bring any and all ideas back with you as we've got to do a job in just a little time.
- 4. Fr. Vaughn is giving the BSU full tutorial charge of those sixteen (16) entering black students, so if you'd like to tutor, then let me know. WE GET PAID FOR IT TOO.
- 5. I've been trying to secure office space for us, but its really tight. It seems that there just is none (there never is), so they say. We'll have to work that out when the year begins.

That's all I can tell you now, brothers and sisters. We've got some hard work ahead of us and I am look forward to a good year for all of us. I hope to see all of you back in the fall. And for those who won't be here--Good Luck and stay in touch. Later.

WE SHALL OVERCOME,

Joseph E. Marshall, Jr.

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P.S. If you have any books on blackness or on black people, bring them if you can.