

In rebuilding the student movement there is a lot we can learn from each other, from our victories and our mistakes. On February 15 & 16 the Revolutionary Student Brigade is holding a West Coast Conference to help carry out this task. We invite all interested students who want to build a revolutionary student movement to attend. For further information contact us - we'll help arrange transportation to L.A. Let's make this conference a real victory for the student movement!

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**Build the
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It's become clear to people everywhere that the whole system we live under is in a crisis and has nothing to offer but increased exploitation and oppression. But as the crisis deepens, so people are getting fighting mad and we're fighting back! 1974 saw more strikes than any year since the union drives of the 30's. And people of all nationalities have united to stand up against the brutal police murders of Tyrone Guyton, Alberto Terrones, Tony Wilkins, and many others who have been gunned down.

On the campuses students are fighting too. While things are not yet on the level of 1969, students are moving. Growing numbers of students have come forward to support the struggles of workers and to demand an end to police terror. At the same time we have fought to throw military recruiters off campus, against cutbacks, and for autonomous ethnic studies. The Revolutionary Student Brigade has been out there, on campuses across the country helping to build and lead these struggles. We strive to clearly focus all the anger that's around, and point the finger at the real enemy - the system of imperialism - a system of exploitation and oppression at home and abroad.

It's been nearly six years since the collapse of SDS. Since then the ruling class has been working overtime to convince us that the student movement is dead and buried and that we're all fed up with politics. With the break-up of SDS many students did become cynical and confused. Many were misled into working in electoral politics (especially the McGovern campaign), while others turned to religion or other individual "solutions". Students also learned through struggle that when we fight the system, it fights back. But we can't allow this to make us passive and inactive. For sure imperialism won't fall down by itself, and it will take more than just a few rocks to knock it down. But the victory of the Vietnamese has shown that U.S. imperialism is not invincible - the people can win!

The crisis which our rulers face is not confined to their defeat overseas. Here at home, through the exposures of Watergate and the Pentagon papers the shuck U.S. political system stands exposed. The presidency of a buffoon like Jerry Ford reveals a lot. The economy, too, is going down the tubes. And Ford and his pathetic "experts" haven't the faintest idea what to do. In short, the situation is excellent for the struggles of all people. We can rebuild the student movement - and on a stronger basis than ever before!

Yes, the student movement never did roll over and play dead. Many of us have learned from the experience of the 60's. We know that there are more than just a few flaws and errors in the system. The system is a worldwide monster called IMPERIALISM - and it must be overthrown.

REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE

We of the Revolutionary Student Brigade see the need to take the anger and energy that students have developed and join together so we can do more than just react, dissolve, and react once more. We need an organization which can bring us together around clear revolutionary principles. In 1972 the Attica Brigade (now the Revolutionary Student Brigade) became a mass anti-imperialist student organization united around:

1. Support for national liberation struggles abroad as exemplified by the NLF and PRG of south Vietnam.
2. Support for the struggles of oppressed people at home.

We've united around the fact that attacks at home and abroad have the same source - U.S. imperialism/monopoly capitalism. This term isn't just a cute phrase, it's a definition: Capitalism develops and consolidates into corporate monopoly which must eventually expand overseas to maximize profit. Thus today we have an imperialist system exploiting people home and abroad.

The Revolutionary Student Brigade is an organization which unites all students in struggle - Black, Raza, Asian, White. We see that we have to function together as a fist and not get isolated and demoralized on our separate campuses. And we know it can be done. In its short history, the RSB has grown from a few campuses in New York to include over 80 schools all across the country. In June, 1974 over 450 students came to our first national convention in Iowa.

But we've still got a long, long way to go. We must take advantage of the crisis and the weakening position of imperialism around the world. We have to unite with all the righteous anger that's around on the campuses these days and build a truly REVOLUTIONARY student movement that, when linked together with the growing revolutionary workers movement, the movements of the oppressed nationalities, the veterans movement and all the struggles of the people, can and will bring the imperialists to their knees.