FACT SHEET OF THE MIDDLEBURY CHAPTER OF THE UNION FOR NATIONAL DRAFT RESISTANCE

The Union for National Draft Opposition is a new organization, formed to provide a national clearing house for information about individual draft resistance. It is organized on a chapter basis with chapters in each college community and connected by computer with the National Chapter in Princeton. Information on the sheet being circulated will be stored in the computer and used to coordinate different resistance efforts across the country (i.e., anyone in the country, contemplating an individual effort in relation to the draft can find out who else in his community, his region, or in the country is contemplating the same type of action and get together with them to coordinate a more effective protest).

The Middlebury Chapter of UNDO has become the coordination center for the 25 (or more) colleges in Vermont, Maine and New Hampshire.

The legality of this organization and its activities has been established by the American Civil Liberties Union.

We urge that each draft-eligible make fill out the information sheet, which will not obligate him in anyway, so that we may better coordinate resistance on a local, regional and national level.

We need people to train as draft counselors, so that we can operate on a daily basis in a center located in the town of Middlebury. In this way we hope to make all possible alternatives to Military Service available to all draft-eligible males in the area, whether college, high school or non-students. We will encourage High School students to become aware of the draft and related issues before they register and will train them to set up their own counseling services. We will also offer our services to those who could have previously received occupational or dependency deferments which have been eliminated. We also need to train draft counselors to begin setting up similar operations in their home communities, with the help of the Information Center at Princeton.

We need people to contact lawyers, doctors, psychiatrists, who will make themselves available to us for legal and medical advice.

We need people to make available to all draft-eligible males information forms (put out by UNDO) to be filed both at the local and national centers.

We need people to raise funds for this organization. (Funds to be used for phone bills, bail money, legal assistance, literature, etc.) This effort is crucial to the continued existence of this organization.

We need people to work on Intercollegiate Communications. (Trained and willing-to-be-trained computer operators, people to travel to other regional centers to pick up and disperse information regarding all our activities, people to man phones, etc.)

To date, draft resistance has only been done by individuals or small groups. Up until this time the decision to refuse cooperation with compulsory military service, and to accept the consequent penalties has been made only by the individual himself. But in this time of national crisis the effort of each individual's sacrifice must be maximized through a united effort. The war will cease only when there is no one to fight it. As political unit in a coordinated national anti-draft movement we seek to employ