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To: The Staff

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Answering:

Last Friday, May 16, several hundred members of the April Third Movement attacked the SRI building on Hanover Street. They harrassed and endangered the safety of employees, seriously damaged the building, blocked traffic, and damaged automobiles before police were able to clear them away.

To make sure that we use every lawful means possible to protect employees, our property and our rights, we went to work to obtain a temporary restraining order against those individuals and organizations we could identify. The fact that events on Monday were considerably more peaceful than on Friday is due, at least in part, to the issuance of this restraining order.

Several members of the staff, who appreciate how long this process can take, have expressed some surprise that we were able to get the restraining order so quickly that several of the named defendants had been served by midnight Sunday.

Fortunately, a number of Stanford University students and others who deplore the use of violence as a political tactic volunteered to help. They furnished us with hundreds of photographs and worked throughout the week end with our employees and attorneys in making identifications. They also volunteered to work through Sunday night in helping us serve individuals with the complaint and summons, and you may have noticed some of them still hard at work here and at Hanover on Monday. One of these young men served the papers with a carbine pointed at him.

These young volunteers, acting as concerned individuals, were most helpful and contributed greatly to making Monday a more moderate day for all of us.

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