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Franklin's wife, Jane Morgan Franklin, is also an active member of the RU.

leaders and founders of the RU. During the past year, on several occasions, has criticized Franklin, his militancy, elitism, etc. On the other hand, Franklin has been critical of for the latter's failure to actively participate in the RU and to prepare RU assignments. Franklin has openly participated in RU activity and has publicly admitted his RU affiliation. A logical question within the RU, as well as of the general public, would be how a militant extremist of the character of Franklin is able to continue in his position as an assistant professor at Stanford University, an institution he frequently attacks verbally and through demonstrations.

The Bureau suggests San Francisco consider a technique whereby a rumor is brought to the attention of RU members that Franklin is able to continue his faculty position at Stanford because he is furnishing information to the Government

Such a rumor might be planted through confidential cooperation with an established contact at Stanford.

San Francisco is requested to forward comments and/or recommendations.